House

Florida Senate - 2019 Bill No. CS for SB 7068

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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senator Lee moved the following: Senate Amendment (with title amendment) 1 2 Delete lines 221 - 268 3 4 and insert: 5 10. The department shall provide affected local governments 6 with a copy of the applicable task force report and project 7 alignments. Not later than December 31, 2023, a local government that has an interchange within its jurisdiction shall review the 8 9 applicable task force report and its local comprehensive plan as 10 adopted under chapter 163. The local government review must include consideration of whether the area in and around the 11

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12 interchange contains appropriate land uses and natural resource 13 protections and whether the comprehensive plan should be amended 14 to provide such appropriate uses and protections. 15 (4) (a) Project construction in any corridor identified in 16 subsection (2) is not eligible for funding until submission of the final report of the corridor task force for that corridor 17 required in subsection (3) and completion of 30 percent of the 18 19 design phase of any project within a corridor identified in 20 subsection (2), except for project phases that are under 21 construction or for which project alignment has been determined. 22 (b) Subject to the economic and environmental feasibility 23 statement requirements of s. 338.223, projects may be funded 24 through turnpike revenue bonds or right-of-way and bridge 25 construction bonds or financing by the Florida Department of 26 Transportation Financing Corporation; by advances from the State 27 Transportation Trust Fund; with funds obtained through the 28 creation of public-private partnerships; or any combination 29 thereof. The department also may accept donations of land for 30 use as transportation rights-of-way or to secure or use 31 transportation rights-of-way for such projects in accordance 32 with s. 337.25. To the extent legally available, any toll 33 revenues from the turnpike system not required for payment of 34 principal, interest, reserves, or other required deposits for 35 bonds; costs of operations and maintenance; other contractual 36 obligations; or system improvement project costs must be used to 37 repay advances received from the State Transportation Trust 38 Fund. 39 (c)1. Projects undertaken under this section are subject to 40 the department's delegated responsibilities under s. 334.044(34)

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41	for environmental review, consultation, or other action required
42	under any federal environmental law applicable to review or
43	approval of such projects. For projects that do not receive
44	federal aid or projects that do not require federal action, the
45	department must perform a project evaluation that considers the
46	following:
47	a. Project purpose and need;
48	b. An alternatives analysis;
49	c. Existing conditions of the project area and potential
50	impacts or enhancements the project may have on social,
51	economic, cultural, natural, and connectivity issues and
52	resources;
53	d. Anticipated permits identified during the project
54	development and environmental study;
55	e. Opportunities for stakeholder and regulatory agency
56	coordination; and
57	f. Public and agency comments and coordination.
58	2. At a minimum, for projects constructed under this
59	section, decisions on matters such as corridor configuration,
60	project alignment, and interchange locations must be determined
61	in accordance with applicable departmental rules, policies, and
62	procedures.
63	3. The department's final determination of corridor
64	configuration, project alignment, and interchange location must
65	be based on balancing the following factors: physical and
66	geographical constraints of a project corridor; engineering
67	design standards; right-of-way and construction costs; project
68	economic feasibility; economic impacts to neighborhoods and
69	communities; and impacts to conservation lands acquired under

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70	the Florida Preservation 2000 Act as established in s. 259.101,
71	the Florida Forever program as established in s. 259.105,
72	primary springs protection zones, and farmland preservation
73	areas designated within local comprehensive plans adopted under
74	chapter 163.
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76	=========== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =================================
77	And the title is amended as follows:
78	Delete lines 32 - 47
79	and insert:
80	Legislature by a specified date; requiring the
81	department to provide affected local governments with
82	a copy of the applicable task force report and project
83	alignments; requiring, by a specified date, local
84	governments that have an interchange within their
85	jurisdictions to review the applicable task force
86	report and their local comprehensive plans; providing
87	requirements for the local government review;
88	providing specified requirements that must be met
89	before project construction in any identified corridor
90	is eligible for funding; providing exceptions to such
91	requirements; authorizing sources of funding for the
92	projects; authorizing the department to accept certain
93	donations of land for the projects; requiring that
94	certain toll revenues from the turnpike system be used
95	to repay advances received from the State
96	Transportation Trust Fund; providing requirements for
97	the department relating to certain delegated
98	responsibilities; requiring the department to perform

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99 a specified project evaluation on certain projects; 100 requiring that certain decisions on projects be determined in accordance with applicable department 101 102 rules, policies, and procedures; requiring the department's final determination of corridor 103 104 configuration, project alignment, and interchange 105 location to be based on balancing specified factors; 106 authorizing the