

By Senator Perry

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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2       An act relating to transportation research; creating  
3       s. 334.066, F.S.; establishing the Implementing  
4       Solutions from Transportation Research and Evaluating  
5       Emerging Technologies Living Lab (I-STREET) within the  
6       University of Florida; specifying the duties of I-  
7       STREET; requiring I-STREET to annually provide the  
8       Governor and the Legislature with a certain report;  
9       requiring the creation of a certain advisory board;  
10      specifying the composition and duties of the board;  
11      providing an effective date.

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13 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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15       Section 1. Section 334.066, Florida Statutes, is created to  
16      read:

17       334.066 Implementing Solutions from Transportation Research  
18      and Evaluating Emerging Technologies Living Lab.—

19       (1) The Implementing Solutions from Transportation Research  
20      and Evaluating Emerging Technologies Living Lab (I-STREET) is  
21      established within the University of Florida.

22       (2) At a minimum, I-STREET shall:

23       (a) Conduct and facilitate research on issues related to  
24      innovative transportation mobility and safety technology  
25      development and deployment in this state and serve as an  
26      information exchange and depository for the most current  
27      information pertaining to transportation research, education,  
28      workforce development, and related issues.

29       (b) Be a continuing resource for the Legislature, the

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30 Department of Transportation, local governments, the nation's  
31 metropolitan regions, and the private sector in the area of  
32 transportation and related research.

33 (c) Promote intercampus transportation and related research  
34 activities among Florida universities to enhance the ability of  
35 these universities to attract federal and private sector funding  
36 for transportation and related research.

37 (d) Provide by July 1, 2023, and each July 1 thereafter, to  
38 the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of  
39 the House of Representatives a comprehensive report that  
40 outlines its clearly defined goals and its efforts and progress  
41 on reaching those goals.

42 (3) An advisory board shall be created to periodically  
43 review and advise I-STREET concerning its research program. The  
44 board shall consist of nine members in transportation-related  
45 areas, as follows:

46 (a) A member appointed by the President of the Senate.

47 (b) A member appointed by the Speaker of the House of  
48 Representatives.

49 (c) The Secretary of Transportation or his or her designee.

50 (d) The Secretary of Economic Opportunity or his or her  
51 designee.

52 (e) A member of the Florida Transportation Commission.

53 (f) Four members nominated by the University of Florida's  
54 College of Engineering and approved by the university's  
55 president. The College of Engineering's nominees may include  
56 representatives of the University of Florida, other academic and  
57 research institutions, or private entities.

58 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.