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SENATE BILL 625
Transportation Committee Substitute Adopted 5/11/93

Short Title: ISTEAs Amendments.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to: Appropriations.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO AMEND THE GENERAL STATUTES IN ORDER TO ALLOW FULL
3 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FLEXIBLE FUNDING AND ALTERNATIVE
4 USES AUTHORIZED UNDER THE FEDERAL INTERMODAL SURFACE
5 TRANSPORTATION EFFICIENCY ACT OF 1991.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 Section 1. G.S. 136-18(12) reads as rewritten:

8 "(12) The Department of Transportation shall have such powers as are
9 necessary to comply fully with the provisions of the ~~present or future~~
10 ~~federal aid acts.~~ Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of
11 1991, Pub. L. No. 102-240, 105 Stat. 1914 (1991), as amended, and
12 all other federal aid acts and programs the Department is authorized
13 to administer. The said Department of Transportation is hereby
14 authorized to enter into all contracts and agreements with the United
15 States government relating to survey, construction, improvement and
16 maintenance of roads, urban area traffic operations studies and
17 improvement projects on the streets on the State highway system and
18 on the municipal system in urban areas, under the provisions of the
19 present or future congressional enactments, to submit such scheme
20 or program of construction or improvement and maintenance as may
21 be required by the Secretary of Transportation or otherwise provided
22 by federal acts, and to do all other things necessary to carry out fully
23 the cooperation contemplated and provided for by present or future

1 aid acts of Congress for the construction or improvement and
2 maintenance of federal aid of State highways. The good faith and
3 credit of the State are further hereby pledged to make available funds
4 necessary to meet the requirements of the acts of Congress, present
5 or future, appropriating money to construct and improve rural post
6 roads and apportioned to this State during each of the years for
7 which federal funds are now or may hereafter be apportioned by the
8 said act or acts, to maintain the roads constructed or improved with
9 the aid of funds so appropriated and to make adequate provisions for
10 carrying out such construction and maintenance. The good faith and
11 credit of the State are further pledged to maintain such roads now
12 built with federal aid and hereafter to be built and to make adequate
13 provisions for carrying out such maintenance. Upon request of the
14 Department of Transportation and in order to enable it to meet the
15 requirements of acts of Congress with respect to federal aid funds
16 apportioned to the State of North Carolina, the State Treasurer is
17 hereby authorized, with the approval of the Governor and Council of
18 State, to issue short term notes from time to time, and in anticipation
19 of State highway revenue, and to be payable out of State highway
20 revenue for such sums as may be necessary to enable the Department
21 of Transportation to meet the requirements of said federal aid
22 appropriations, but in no event shall the outstanding notes under the
23 provisions of this section amount to more than two million dollars
24 (\$2,000,000)."

25 Sec. 2. G.S. 136-44.20(d) reads as rewritten:

26 "(d) Of the amount appropriated to the Department each year for State
27 construction under the Transportation Improvement Program, the Department may use
28 up to five million dollars (\$5,000,000) to develop economical transit alternatives to
29 highway construction. The Department of Transportation may also use such funds for
30 the matching share of federal grants for such transit alternatives to highway
31 construction. These alternatives may include high occupancy vehicle lanes and rail
32 routes."

33 Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification.