



# SENATE BILL 174: Rail Corridor Lease/City of Wilmington

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**Committee:** Senate Transportation  
**Introduced by:** Sen. Lee  
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**SUMMARY:** *Senate Bill 174 would authorize the Department of Transportation to lease a portion of the former CSX rail corridor to the City of Wilmington for public recreation use.*

**BILL ANALYSIS:** Senate bill 174 would authorize the Department of Transportation to lease its interest in a portion of the right-of-way of the former CSX transportation rail corridor to the City of Wilmington for interim public recreation use under the following conditions:

- The City identifies all persons owning an interest in the property to be leased.
- All persons owning an interest in the property will be parties to the lease.
- The City agrees to assume all development costs and management, security, and liability responsibility.
- The Department determines there will not be a need to resume rail service on the corridor for at least 10 years.
- The lease agreement includes terms for resumption of active rail use.
- Use of the corridor as recreational trail does not interfere with its ultimate transportation purpose.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** The act would be effective when it becomes law.

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