



SENATE BILL 654: Map Act/Clarifications

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Committee: Senate Transportation
Introduced by: Sen. Lee
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SUMMARY: *Senate Bill 654 would make changes to the Map Act to reflect the 2006 addition of the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization to the list of entities authorized to adopt and amend transportation corridor maps.*

The PCS adds a provision to section 1 of the bill that would require the Department of Transportation to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization and its members for any claims arising out of its adoption, filing, or amendment of a corridor map. The provision would apply to maps filed, adopted, or amended before the effective date of this act.

CURRENT LAW: The Transportation Corridor Official Map Act was enacted in 1987, and it authorizes the Department of Transportation and other governing bodies to adopt and file transportation corridor maps, which place restrictions on property located within a corridor. In 2006, the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization was added to the list of entities authorized to adopt and amend transportation corridor maps under the Map Act. However, the legislation did not make conforming changes to reflect the addition of that entity in other provisions of the Act.

BILL ANALYSIS: Senate Bill 654 would make conforming changes throughout provisions in the Map Act that were not made when the Wilmington Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization was added to the list of entities authorized to adopt and amend corridor maps under the Act in 2006.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The act would be effective when it becomes law and would apply to filings, adoptions, or amendments before, on, or after that date.

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