



HOUSE BILL 81: STI/Regional & Division Weighting.

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OVERVIEW: *House Bill 81 amends the weighting of scores of transportation projects under the Strategic Transportation Investments Act (STI) Transportation Investment Strategy Formula to specify the scoring share of Division Engineers and MPOs/RPOs for Regional and Divisional category projects.*

CURRENT LAW: In 2013, the General Assembly enacted the Strategic Transportation Investments Act, known as STI, which created a Transportation Investment Strategy Formula for funding State transportation projects. The Act funds projects in three categories: Statewide, Regional, and Divisional.

- Statewide category projects are ranked based 100% on data from multiple criteria.
- Regional category projects are ranked based 70% on data from multiple criteria, and 30% on local input (Division Engineer, MPO and RPO input).
- Divisional category projects are ranked based 50% on data, and 50% on local input (Division Engineer, MPO and RPO input).

BILL ANALYSIS: House Bill 81 amends the STI Transportation Investment Strategy Formula as follows:

- In Section 1 of the bill, for Regional category project scoring, by adjusting the weighting of scores by replacing the 30% local input score with 10% Division Engineer scoring, and 20% MPO/RPO scoring.
- In Section 2 of the bill, for Divisional category scoring, by adjusting the weighting of scores by replacing the 50% local input score with 15% Division Engineer scoring, and 35% MPO/RPO scoring.
- In addition, Section 3 of the bill makes a technical correction.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act is effective when it becomes law.

BACKGROUND: This bill was recommended by the House Select Committee on Strategic Transportation Planning and Long Term Funding Solutions.

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