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SENATE BILL 10-145

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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 **CONCERNING THE ALLEVIATION OF TRAFFIC CONGESTION WITHIN THE**
102 **UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 40 CORRIDOR THROUGH CENTRAL**
103 **AND EAST DENVER AND AURORA, AND, IN CONNECTION**
104 **THEREWITH, REQUIRING THE HIGH-PERFORMANCE**
105 **TRANSPORTATION ENTERPRISE TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF**
106 **ENTERING INTO A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP TO DEVELOP,**
107 **CONSTRUCT, AND OPERATE A RAIL FIXED GUIDEWAY SYSTEM**
108 **BETWEEN THE AURARIA HIGHER EDUCATION CENTER AND THE**
109 **ANSCHUTZ MEDICAL CAMPUS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF**
110 **COLORADO AT DENVER AND, IF A SPECIAL DISTRICT OR**
111 **IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT IS SUBSEQUENTLY FORMED FOR THE**
112 **PURPOSE OF FINANCING, DEVELOPING, CONSTRUCTING, AND**

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

101 OPERATING SUCH A SYSTEM, REQUIRING A SPECIFIED PORTION
102 OF THE ROAD SAFETY SURCHARGE PAID BY VEHICLE OWNERS
103 WHO RESIDE WITHIN ONE MILE OF THE SYSTEM ROUTE TO BE
104 PAID TO THE SPECIAL DISTRICT.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)

The bill requires the high-performance transportation enterprise to study the feasibility of entering into a public-private partnership to develop, construct, and operate a rail fixed guideway system between the Auraria higher education center and the Anschutz medical campus of the university of Colorado at Denver. If, after the study is completed, a special district is formed for the purpose of financing, developing, constructing, and operating such a system, the bill requires \$4 of each road safety surcharge paid by vehicle owners who reside within one mile of the system route to be paid to the special district.

1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** 43-4-806, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended
3 BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION to read:

4 **43-4-806. High-performance transportation enterprise -**
5 **creation - board - funds - powers and duties - limitations - reporting**
6 **requirements - highway 40 corridor feasibility study - legislative**
7 **declaration.** (11) (a) AS A POSSIBLE MEANS OF APPLYING
8 TRANSPORTATION DEMAND MANAGEMENT PRINCIPLES TO THE PROBLEM OF
9 TRAFFIC CONGESTION WITHIN THE UNITED STATES HIGHWAY 40 CORRIDOR
10 THROUGH CENTRAL AND EAST DENVER AND AURORA, THE
11 TRANSPORTATION ENTERPRISE SHALL STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF
12 ENTERING INTO A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP TO DEVELOP, CONSTRUCT,

1 AND OPERATE A RAIL FIXED GUIDEWAY SYSTEM, AS DEFINED IN SECTION
2 40-18-101 (3), C.R.S., BETWEEN THE AURARIA HIGHER EDUCATION
3 CENTER AND THE ANSCHUTZ MEDICAL CAMPUS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF
4 COLORADO AT DENVER.

5 (b) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF SECTIONS 43-4-804 (1)
6 AND 43-4-205 (6.3), IF, AFTER THE TRANSPORTATION ENTERPRISE
7 COMPLETES THE FEASIBILITY STUDY REQUIRED BY PARAGRAPH (a) OF THIS
8 SUBSECTION (11), A SPECIAL DISTRICT OR IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT OF ANY
9 KIND IS FORMED FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING, DEVELOPING,
10 CONSTRUCTING, AND OPERATING A RAIL FIXED GUIDEWAY SYSTEM
11 BETWEEN THE AURARIA HIGHER EDUCATION CENTER AND THE ANSCHUTZ
12 MEDICAL CAMPUS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO AT DENVER, FOUR
13 DOLLARS FROM EACH ROAD SAFETY SURCHARGE IMPOSED PURSUANT TO
14 SECTION 43-4-804 (1) AND COLLECTED UPON THE REGISTRATION OF A
15 VEHICLE REGISTERED TO A PERSON AT AN ADDRESS THAT IS WITHIN ONE
16 MILE OF THE SYSTEM ROUTE SHALL BE ALLOCATED TO THE SPECIAL
17 DISTRICT OR IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT.

18 **SECTION 2. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,
19 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
20 preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.