

Regular Session, 2012

HOUSE BILL NO. 995

BY REPRESENTATIVE MONTOUCET

TRANSPORTATION: Requires DOTD to present highway priority program information in a certain format

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 48:231(A), relative to the highway priority construction
3 program; to provide for the presentation of the proposed program of construction to
4 the Joint Highway Priority Construction Committee; and to provide for related
5 matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 48:231(A) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

8 §231. Final construction program for current fiscal year; public hearings; Joint
9 Highway Priority Construction Committee; reports; review by legislature;
10 restrictions on legislature

11 A. ~~Beginning on October 1, 2010, and not~~ Not later than October ~~†~~ first of
12 each year thereafter, the department shall provide a proposed program of
13 construction for the coming fiscal year to the Joint Highway Priority Construction
14 Committee. The proposed program shall display proposed construction projects by
15 each highway district, parish, House of Representatives district, and Senate district.
16 Any maps prepared in conjunction with the proposed program of construction shall
17 present construction projects in a clear, concise, and easily discernable manner. The
18 committee shall hold public hearings in each highway district for the purpose of
19 reviewing priorities for the coming fiscal year. A report based on the testimony
20 received at said hearings shall be sent to the department. The department then shall

1 create the final construction program for the coming fiscal year for submission to the
 2 legislature. When this final construction program is communicated to the legislature
 3 for funding for the coming fiscal year, any project which the legislature determines
 4 is not in the proper order of priority in accordance with the factors stated in R.S.
 5 48:229 may be deleted by the legislature. However, the legislature shall not add any
 6 projects to this final construction program, nor shall the legislature make
 7 substitutions for projects which have been removed.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Provides for presentation format by which DOTD shall present the proposed highway construction program to the Joint Highway Priority Construction Committee.

Present law provides that DOTD shall provide a proposed program of construction for the coming fiscal year to the Joint Highway Priority Construction Committee.

Proposed law requires that the proposed program shall display proposed construction projects by each highway district, parish, House of Representatives district, and Senate district and that any maps prepared in conjunction with the proposed program of construction shall present construction projects in a clear, concise, and easily discernable manner.

(Amends R.S. 48:231(A))