

**COMMITTEE LEGISLATION SUMMARY – 90th General Assembly
Regular & First Extraordinary Sessions, 2015**

**Senate Transportation, Technology & Legislative Affairs Committee
House Public Transportation Committee**

CONTRACTS

ACT 378 HB 1357 Pitsch

TO AUTHORIZE THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS TO EXCHANGE OR TRANSFER HIGHWAYS WITH COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL AUTHORITIES
authorizes the State Highway Commission to enter into agreements to exchange or transfer highways with county and municipal authorities

ACT 704 HB 1634 Pitsch

CONCERNING PROCUREMENT PROCEDURES FOR A DESIGN-BUILD NEW CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION DEPARTMENT
amends the procurement procedures for a design-build construction contract with the State Highway Commission

DRIVER'S LICENSE / IDENTIFICATION CARD

ACT 173 HB 1294 Mayberry

TO EXTEND THE EXPIRATION DATE FOR THE ARKANSAS VOLUNTARY ENHANCED SECURITY DRIVER'S LICENSE AND IDENTIFICATION CARD ACT
extends the expiration date for the Arkansas Voluntary Enhanced Security Driver's License and Identification Card Act. The act declares an emergency and is effective on and after February 23, 2015.

ACT 176 HB 1310 Hickerson

TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE OFFICE OF MOTOR VEHICLE RETAIN SUSPENDED OR REVOKED SURRENDERED DRIVER'S LICENSES; TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF A DUPLICATE LICENSE AND IMPOSITION OF FEES
removes the requirement that the Office of Motor Vehicle retain suspended or revoked driver's licenses and authorizes the issuance of a duplicate driver's license and the imposition of fees at the end of the period of license suspension

ACT 343 HB 1359 Johnson

TO AMEND THE TIME PERIOD OF DRIVER'S LICENSE VALIDITY AND CERTAIN ISSUANCE FEES
extends the expiration period for a driver's license to eight (8) years from the date the driver's license was issued and amends certain issuance fees. The act is effective on and after January 1, 2016.

ACT 397 SB311 Hester

TO PERMIT A PROSECUTING ATTORNEY OR A DEPUTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY TO HAVE HIS OR HER POST OFFICE BOX LISTED AS HIS OR HER ADDRESS ON HIS OR HER DRIVER'S LICENSE
provides that a prosecuting attorney or deputy prosecuting attorney may use a post office box or the address of his or her office as the address on his or her driver's license

ACT 578 HB 1415 Hickerson

TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS UNIFORM COMMERCIAL DRIVER LICENSE ACT TO COMPLY WITH THE FEDERAL COMMERCIAL DRIVER LICENSE REGULATIONS

amends the Arkansas Uniform Commercial Driver License Act to comply with federal commercial driver license regulations, including changes to the definitions of "commercial motor vehicle" and "gross combination weight rating", the waiver of skills testing for military personnel, changes to the bonding requirements, and changes to the endorsements and restrictions on commercial driver licenses. The act declares an emergency and is effective on and after May 18, 2015.

ACT 696 HB 1476 Magie

TO AMEND THE VISUAL REQUIREMENTS FOR AN ARKANSAS DRIVER'S LICENSE

amends the visual examination requirements for an Arkansas driver's license

ACT 1049 SB 783 Sample

TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING LEARNER'S PERMITS

increases the time period for instruction permits to twelve (12) months and repeals the provision allowing for the renewal of an instruction permit

ACT 1199 SB 49 Irvin

TO ENACT THE ARKANSAS TEEN DRIVER AND PARENTAL EDUCATION ACT OF 2015

provides for an educational program on teen driving through the Arkansas State Police and Arkansas Children's Hospital and changes the requirements for instruction permits and graduated driver's licenses

ACT 1246 HB 1645 Bentley

TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF A RESTRICTED DRIVING PERMIT UPON SUSPENSION OF THE DRIVER'S LICENSE OF A SPECIALTY COURT PROGRAM PARTICIPANT

authorizes the issuance of a restricted driving permit to a participant in a specialty court program whose driver's license has been suspended

FEES / REVENUE

ACT 531 HB 1356 Pitsch

TO INCLUDE THE ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT WITHIN THE DEFINITION OF "CLAIMANT AGENCY" FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING A SETOFF AGAINST STATE TAX REFUNDS FOR DEBTS OWED TO THE STATE

includes the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department within the definition of "claimant agency" for the purpose of obtaining a setoff against state tax refunds for debts owed to the state

ACT 594 HB 1893 Wallace

TO AMEND LAWS CONCERNING THE DISPOSITION OF FEES AND PENALTIES ASSESSED FOR THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE ON A STATE HIGHWAY THAT EXCEEDS AUTHORIZED SIZE AND WEIGHT REGULATIONS

amends the disposition of fees and penalties assessed for the operation of a motor vehicle on a state highway that exceeds authorized size and weight regulations

ACT 705 HB 1647 D. Douglas

TO REQUIRE ANY TEMPORARY TAG FEE IN EXCESS OF TWO DOLLARS AND FIFTY CENTS (\$2.50) TO BE RETAINED BY THE STATE AND TO ESTABLISH A PENALTY FOR INAPPROPRIATE ISSUANCE OF TEMPORARY TAGS

requires that a temporary tag fee in excess of two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50) be retained by the state and establishes a penalty for the inappropriate issuance of temporary tags. The act is effective on and after October 1, 2015.

ACT 953 HB 1699 Bennett

REPEALING THE REDUCTION IN A FINE FOR A PERSON WHO IS WEARING A SEAT BELT
repeals the provision of the law that permitted a ten-dollar reduction of the fine for a moving violation if the person was wearing a seat belt

ACT 1193 HB 1878 Hammer

TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING DRIVER'S LICENSE REINSTATEMENT FEES

provides that, between January 1, 2016, and June 30, 2016, a person whose driving privileges are suspended or revoked solely as a result of outstanding driver's license reinstatement fees imposed under the laws of this state is eligible to pay a one-time driver's license reinstatement fee of one hundred dollars (\$100) if the person has paid all costs, fines, and fees associated with his or her driver's license suspension and has successfully completed a specialty court program, such as drug court. The act is effective on and after January 1, 2016.

ACT 1289 SB 633 Sample

TO PROVIDE THAT THE FIVE-DOLLAR FEE FOR TAKING THE DRIVER'S LICENSE EXAMINATION APPLIES TO ALL DRIVER'S LICENSE EXAMINATION TESTS TAKEN

provides that the five-dollar fee for taking the driver's license examination applies to all driver's license examination tests taken

INTERMODAL TRANSPORTATION

ACT 166 HB 1258 Pitsch

TO RE-ESTABLISH THE LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE ON INTERMODAL TRANSPORTATION AND COMMERCE

re-establishes the Legislative Task Force on Intermodal Transportation and Commerce, which will consider the creation of a new Arkansas Department of Transportation that will have combined responsibility for highways, waterways, ports, rail, and aeronautics

LICENSE PLATES

ACT 386 SB 354 B. Sample

CONCERNING FIREFIGHTER SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES; TO REMOVE THE LIMITATION ON THE ISSUANCE OF FIREFIGHTER LICENSE PLATES; AND TO REDIRECT THE REMITTANCE OF THE ADDITIONAL MONTHLY FEE

removes the limitation on the issuance of firefighter license plates and redirects the remittance of the additional monthly fee to the Arkansas Professional Firefighters Association

ACT 574 HB 1234 Baltz
TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE, RENEWAL, AND REPLACEMENT OF SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES TO PROMOTE AND SUPPORT AUTISM AWARENESS
authorizes the issuance, renewal, and replacement of special license plates to promote and support autism awareness

ACT 698 HB 1531 Vines
TO AMEND FEE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS MOTORCYCLE LICENSE PLATES AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS
amends the fees required for Veterans of Foreign Wars motorcycle license plates

ACT 703 HB 1621 Wallace
TO AMEND THE REQUIREMENTS FOR ISSUANCE OF A SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE TO A DISABLED VETERAN
amends the requirements for issuance of a special license plate to a disabled veteran

ACT 737 SB 749 Teague
TO AMEND THE AMATEUR STATION CALL SIGN SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE STATUTE; AND TO AUTHORIZE ISSUANCE OF ADDITIONAL SEQUENTIAL AMATEUR SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES WITH THE SAME AMATEUR STATION CALL SIGN
authorizes the issuance of additional sequential amateur special license plates with the same amateur station call sign

ACT 859 SB 759 Files
TO CREATE A SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE FOR SUPPORT OF HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE CARE AND REPEALING THE SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE FOR PANCREATIC CANCER AWARENESS
provides for a special license plate for support of hospice and palliative care; repeals the provisions creating a special license plate for pancreatic cancer

ACT 1130 SB 875 Pierce
TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE, RENEWAL, AND REPLACEMENT OF SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES TO PROMOTE AND SUPPORT THE ARKANSAS STATE CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL WILD TURKEY FEDERATION, INC.
provides for the issuance, renewal, and replacement of special license plates to support and promote the Arkansas State Chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation, Inc.; repeals the provisions creating a special license plate to honor Rotary International.

ACT 1140 SB 1021 Teague
TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF A SPECIAL LICENSE PLATE OR DECAL TO HONOR THE SERVICE OF VETERANS OF THE LEBANON CONFLICT AND TO REPEAL PORTIONS OF THE LAW CONCERNING THE ISSUANCE OF CERTAIN LICENSE PLATES
authorizes the issuance of a special license plate and decal to honor the service of veterans of the Lebanon conflict

ACT 1252 HB 1852 Payton
TO AMEND ARKANSAS LAW CONCERNING METAL TRANSPORTER PLATES ISSUED UNDER ARKANSAS CODE § 27-14-1806
provides that a person, firm, or corporation that is regularly engaged in the business of driving or towing motor vehicles or trailers, including an automobile dealer, may be issued an annual metal transporter plate

MOTOR VEHICLES

ACT 724 HB 1607 Bragg

CONCERNING THE ENFORCEMENT OF LAWS GOVERNING THE USE OF PUBLIC ROADS BY ALL TERRAIN VEHICLES; AND TO PERMIT ENFORCEMENT BY ARKANSAS WILDLIFE OFFICERS

allows officers and employees of the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission and the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department to enforce the laws governing the use of public roads by all-terrain vehicles

ACT 1055 SB 917 Sample

TO AMEND THE ARKANSAS MOTOR VEHICLE COMMISSION ACT

amends the Arkansas Motor Vehicle Commission Act, including provisions concerning payment to a motor vehicle dealer for warranty work and the motor vehicle service and handling fee charged for preparing documents in connection with the sale or lease of a new or used motor vehicle

REGISTRATION, TITLES & LICENSES

ACT 726 HB 1702 D. Douglas

TO AMEND THE PROCEDURES RELATED TO THE ISSUANCE OF REGISTRATION AND TITLE TO MOTOR VEHICLES ACQUIRED BY OPERATION OF LAW

requires that certain procedures be followed for a lien holder to obtain the registration for and certificate of title to a motor vehicle acquired by operation of law. The act creates exceptions to the required procedures for motor vehicles sold by an auto auction or by a licensed motor vehicle dealer to an Arkansas purchaser who did not register the motor vehicle in Arkansas. The act declares an emergency and is effective on and after July 1, 2015.

REPORTING

ACT 569 SB 635 Files

CONCERNING AUTHORIZATION FOR THE RELEASE OF MOTOR VEHICLE RECORD INFORMATION BY THE OFFICE OF MOTOR VEHICLE

authorizes the release of motor vehicle records for any purpose authorized by the Driver's Privacy Protection Act of 1994 and requires the execution of a written agreement between a party requesting a noncertified electronic motor vehicle record and the Department of Finance and Administration that contains provisions to hold the department harmless for the release of a motor vehicle record contrary to state or federal law and to indemnify the state for damages that arise from an unauthorized release of a motor vehicle record

ACT 702 HB 1613 Hickerson

TO CREATE A DRIVER MONITORING PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE OFFICE OF DRIVER SERVICES; AND TO AUTHORIZE THE OFFICE OF DRIVER SERVICES TO FURNISH DRIVER MONITORING REPORTS

creates a driver monitoring program that authorizes the Office of Driver Services to monitor certain driver records and furnish driver monitoring reports to insurers. The act is effective on and after January 1, 2016.

ACT 706 HB 1656 Nicks

TO REPEAL THE REQUIREMENT TO PREPARE A SUPPLEMENTAL MOTORCYCLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENT REPORT FOR A TRAFFIC ACCIDENT INVOLVING A MOTORCYCLE OR OTHER SIMILAR MOTOR-DRIVEN CYCLE

repeals the requirement to prepare a supplemental motorcycle traffic accident report for a traffic accident involving a motorcycle or other similar motor-driven cycle

ACT 707 HB 1714 Pitsch

TO REPEAL THE PUBLICATION REQUIREMENT FOR RULES AND REGULATIONS PROMULGATED BY THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION

repeals the publication requirement for rules and regulations promulgated by the State Highway Commission

ROADWAYS

ACT 11* HB 1005 Smith

CONCERNING THE TRAVEL ON CERTAIN HIGHWAYS BY MOTOR VEHICLES USED FOR FARM PURPOSES

provides that motor vehicles used for farm or agriculture purposes may operate on certain sections of U.S. Highway 63 under certain circumstances. The act is identical to Act 12 of 2015. The act declares an emergency and is effective on and after June 1, 2015.

ACT 12* SB 3 J. Cooper

CONCERNING THE TRAVEL ON CERTAIN HIGHWAYS BY MOTOR VEHICLES USED FOR FARM PURPOSES

provides that motor vehicles used for farm or agriculture purposes may operate on certain sections of U.S. Highway 63 under certain circumstances. The act is identical to Act 11 of 2015. The act declares an emergency and is effective on and after June 1, 2015.

ACT 303 SB92 Files

TO AMEND THE STATE AID STREETS LAW

repeals the language providing that the State Aid Division of the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department is subject to the availability and appropriation of funding. The act further establishes modified procedures for the State Aid Street Committee

ACT 590 HB 1644 Richmond

AUTHORIZING THE STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSION TO INCLUDE ROADS LEADING TO QUALIFYING AIRPORTS IN THE STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM AND TO REPEAL OBSOLETE LANGUAGE

amends the State Highway Commission's authority to designate roads to municipal airports as part of the state highway system

ACT 571 SB 748 Pierce

TO INCREASE THE WIDTH OF MANUFACTURED HOME AUTHORIZED FOR TRANSPORT ON A STATE HIGHWAY BY THE ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

increases the allowable width of a manufactured home authorized for transport on a state highway

ACT 740 SB 871 Hickey

CONCERNING ISSUANCE OF A SPECIAL PERMIT FOR TRANSPORTATION OF A CONTAINERIZED CARGO UNIT AND TO MODIFY RESTRICTIONS AND COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR TRANSPORTATION OF A SPECIAL CARGO UNIT

authorizes the issuance of a special permit for transportation of a sealed containerized cargo unit for a single trip or for a one-year period along a specified route. The act also modifies the restrictions and compliance requirements for the transportation of sealed containerized cargo units subject to a special permit.

ACT 898 SB 613 Irvin

TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS UNPAVED ROADS PROGRAM ACT; TO PROVIDE GRANTS TO COUNTIES FOR UNPAVED ROAD PROJECTS; AND TO CREATE THE ARKANSAS UNPAVED ROADS PROGRAM FUND

establishes the Arkansas Unpaved Roads Program to help provide funding for unpaved county road projects throughout the state and requires the use of best management practices for unpaved road projects funded through the program

ACT 956 HB 1816 Wallace

TO ESTABLISH A HIGHWAY DESIGNATION FOR GOLD STAR FAMILIES

establishes a highway designation for the Gold Star Families Highway to honor Arkansas's fallen service members who have served in the United States Armed Forces and their families

ACT 963 HB 1939 Wallace

TO ALLOW OWNERS OF PROPERTY ADJOINING AN ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY RIGHT-OF-WAY TO INSTALL, USE, AND MAINTAIN A SPRINKLER SYSTEM

allows owners of property adjoining an Arkansas state highway right-of-way to install, use, and maintain a sprinkler system

ACT 1189 HB 1833 Richey

CONCERNING SCENIC HIGHWAY DESIGNATIONS AND TO REDESIGNATE THE GREAT RIVER ROAD

amends the scenic highway designation for the Great River Road

TECHNOLOGY

ACT 550 SB 315 Teague

TO PROVIDE THAT THE INFORMATION NETWORK OF ARKANSAS SUBMIT QUARTERLY REPORTS OF RATE CHANGES TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND TO THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON ADVANCED COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

requires the Information Network of Arkansas to file quarterly reports to the Legislative Council and Joint Committee on Advanced Communications and Information Technology of any changes in charges for services

ACT 849 HB 1744 D. Douglas

TO ALLOW THE ARKANSAS HIGHWAY POLICE DIVISION OF THE ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT TO UTILIZE THE AUTOMATIC LICENSE PLATE READER SYSTEM

allows the Arkansas Highway Police Division of the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department to use an automatic license plate reader system for certain purposes

ACT 1190 HB 1844 Gillam

TO ESTABLISH A STATE BUSINESS PORTAL WITHIN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE; AND TO PROMOTE EFFICIENT INTERACTIONS BETWEEN BUSINESS AND STATE GOVERNMENT

establishes a state business portal within the Office of the Secretary of State to use cash funds to administer an online portal for business licensure and transactions to promote uniformity of applications for both state and local government business transactions

TOWING & RECOVERY

ACT 387 SB 481 Williams

TO REQUIRE REPORTING OF CERTAIN TOWING RATES; AND TO REQUIRE CERTAIN GOVERNMENT ENTITIES TO MAINTAIN TOWING RATE RECORDS

requires a government entity that maintains a towing rotation list to require the towing companies in the rotation to file a list of their current rates with the government entity. The act also requires a fine for a violation of this provision.

ACT 1117 SB 562 Files

TO CREATE A PROCEDURE FOR RESOLVING CONSUMER COMPLAINTS REGARDING TOWING THAT ARE NOT FILED DIRECTLY WITH THE ARKANSAS TOWING AND RECOVERY BOARD

creates a procedure for resolving consumer complaints regarding towing that are not filed directly with the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board

ACT 1195 HB 1896 C. Douglas

TO REQUIRE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A MINIMUM STANDARD FOR THE STRUCTURE OF A PLACE OF BUSINESS FOR THE OPERATION OF A TOW COMPANY

requires that the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board establish a minimum standard for the structure of a place of business and storage facility used for the daily operation of a licensed tow company

ACT 1197 HB 1964 House

TO AMEND THE STATUTE CONCERNING THE CREATION, MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS, AND PHYSICAL LOCATION OF THE ARKANSAS TOWING AND RECOVERY BOARD

amends the membership requirements for the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board

ACT 1224 SB 893 Files

TO ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE FOR REMOVING A TOW COMPANY FROM THE NON-CONSENT ROTATION LIST; AND TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN PERSONS TO ISSUE CITATIONS FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE TOWING LAWS

establishes a procedure for removing a tow company from the non-consent rotation list and authorizes the imposition of fines for a violation of a recognized non-consent rotation policy. The act also requires law enforcement to establish a non-consent rotation policy if one does not already exist and authorizes the Director of the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board and an investigator employed by the Arkansas Towing and Recovery Board to issue citations for violations of the towing laws.

WATERCRAFT / WATERWAYS

ACT 694 HB 1447 Cozart

TO AMEND THE LAWS CONCERNING FLOTATION DEVICES AND FIRE EXTINGUISHERS ABOARD VESSELS; TO REQUIRE NOTIFICATION OF CERTAIN ACCIDENTS INVOLVING VESSELS; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING HULL IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS clarifies the type of flotation devices required to be aboard a vessel, requires fire extinguishers to be aboard certain vessels, requires notification to the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission of certain accidents involving vessels, and amends the law concerning hull identification numbers

HCR 1005 Pitsch Approved by the Governor

REQUESTING THAT THE ARKANSAS CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION STUDY THE CREATION OF AN INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR COMMERCE AMONG STATES BENEFITTING FROM AND PARTICIPATING IN THE MCCLELLAN-KERR ARKANSAS RIVER NAVIGATION SYSTEM

MISCELLANEOUS

ACT 2* HB 1004 Vines

CONCERNING CERTAIN ENGROSSMENT ERRORS ARISING FROM THE 2015 REGULAR SESSION OF THE NINETIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

corrects an engrossment error made in Act 1036 of 2015, which deleted a portion of the ballot form for ordinance ballot questions, by amending the law to insert the portion of the ballot form that was deleted during the engrossment process. The act also corrects an engrossment error made in Act 1205 of 2015, which inadvertently deleted a portion of the definitions within the bill, by amending the law to include the definitions that were deleted during the engrossment process. The act is identical to Act 3 of 2015. The act declares an emergency and is effective on and after July 22, 2015.

ACT 3* SB 2 Standridge

CONCERNING CERTAIN ENGROSSMENT ERRORS ARISING FROM THE 2015 REGULAR SESSION OF THE NINETIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

corrects an engrossment error made in Act 1036 of 2015, which deleted a portion of the ballot form for ordinance ballot questions, by amending the law to insert the portion of the ballot form that was deleted during the engrossment process. The act also corrects an engrossment error made in Act 1205 of 2015, which inadvertently deleted a portion of the definitions within the bill, by amending the law to include the definitions that were deleted during the engrossment process. The act is identical to Act 2 of 2015. The act declares an emergency and is effective on and after July 22, 2015.

INTERIM STUDY PROPOSALS

ISP 2015-031

HB 1373

Fielding

TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF HANDHELD WIRELESS DEVICES WHILE DRIVING A MOTOR VEHICLE; AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS

ISP 2015-079

HB 1781 Hickerson

TO REDUCE THE SIZE OF THE STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM

ISP 2015-110

HB 1871 Johnson

TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT AN ONLINE MOTOR VEHICLE LIABILITY INSURANCE VERIFICATION SYSTEM; AND TO ENHANCE COMPLIANCE WITH AND THE ENFORCEMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLE LIABILITY INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

ISP 2015- 022

HB 1900 Sabin

TO PROVIDE FOR PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS FOR TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES AND PROJECTS; AND TO CREATE THE PUBLIC-PRIVATE TRANSPORTATION ACT