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SYNOPSIS

Requires DOT to provide additional information in annual report on pavement condition and conduct pavement lifecycle cost analysis; make report available to public.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

Introduced Pending Technical Review by Legislative Counsel.



1 AN ACT requiring the Department of Transportation to provide
2 additional information concerning the condition of pavements in
3 the State and pothole repair and amending P.L.2000, c.73.
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5 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
6 of New Jersey:
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8 1. Section 11 of P.L.2000, c.73 (C.27:1B-21.24) is amended to
9 read as follows:

10 11. The commissioner shall issue a report to the Governor and,
11 pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164 (C.52:14-19.1), to the
12 Legislature at the end of each fiscal year containing the numerical
13 ranking of pavements for roads needing maintenance and repair in
14 accordance with the method developed in section 10 of **【this act】**
15 P.L.2000, c.73 (C.27:1B-21.23). The report shall also identify the
16 repair and maintenance projects that were completed during the
17 fiscal year, including the number of pothole repair projects, provide
18 an estimate of the cost impact to the department for each
19 maintenance and repair project, including pothole repair projects,
20 that utilized road surface material or other road treatment, identify
21 the resources the department has allocated for each maintenance
22 and repair project, including pothole repair projects, and provide an
23 estimate for the timeframe to conduct each maintenance and repair
24 project, including the response times to conduct emergency pothole
25 repair projects.

26 The report issued pursuant to this section shall also be made
27 available to the public on the department's internet website.

28 (cf: P.L.2000, c.73, s.11)
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30 2. Section 12 of P.L.2000, c.73 (C.27:1B-21.25) is amended to
31 read as follows:

32 12. a. The commissioner shall conduct a life cycle cost analysis
33 of pavement surfaces and report the findings of the analysis to the
34 Governor and, pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164 (C.52:14-
35 19.1), to the Legislature no later than one year after the date of
36 enactment of **【this act】** P.L.2000, c.73 (C.27:1B-21.14 et al.). The
37 analysis shall compare equivalent designs and shall be based upon
38 New Jersey's actual historic project maintenance, repair, and
39 resurfacing schedules and costs as recorded by the Department of
40 Transportation, and shall include estimates of user costs throughout
41 the entire life of the pavement.

42 b. The commissioner shall conduct a life cycle cost analysis of
43 pavement surfaces and report the findings of the analysis to the
44 Governor and, pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164 (C.52:14-
45 19.1), to the Legislature no later than one year after the date of

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets **【thus】** in the above bill is
not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

1 enactment of P.L. _____, c. _____ (C. _____) (pending before the
2 Legislature as this bill). The analysis shall compare equivalent
3 designs and shall be based upon New Jersey's actual historic project
4 maintenance, repair, and resurfacing schedules and costs as
5 recorded by the Department of Transportation, and shall include
6 estimates of costs to users of State roadways throughout the entire
7 life of the pavement, including the number of pothole damage
8 claims filed by users of State roadways and the associated costs of
9 damages as recorded by the Division of Risk Management within
10 the Department of the Treasury.

11 The report issued pursuant to this section shall also be made
12 available to the public on the department's internet website.

13 As used in this section, "life cycle cost" means the total cost of
14 the initial project and all anticipated costs for subsequent
15 maintenance, repair, or resurfacing, which may also include
16 external costs imposed upon users of the project as result of use of
17 the project, over the life of the pavement.

18 (cf: P.L.2000, c.73, s.12)

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20 3. This act shall take effect immediately but shall remain
21 inoperative until the first fiscal year following enactment and shall
22 apply to all reports issued after that fiscal year.

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25 STATEMENT

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27 This bill requires the Department of Transportation (department)
28 to include, in the annual "Report to the Governor and Legislature on
29 New Jersey's Roadway Pavement System" (annual report),
30 additional information on pothole repairs.

31 Under the bill, the department is required to, in addition to
32 identifying the repair and maintenance projects that were completed
33 during the foregoing fiscal year and the cost of each project,
34 identify the number of pothole repair projects and the cost of
35 pothole repair projects, identify the resources the department has
36 allocated for each maintenance and repair project, and provide an
37 estimate for the timeframe to conduct each maintenance and repair
38 project, including the response times for emergency pothole repair
39 projects, in the annual report.

40 The department is also required to conduct a lifecycle cost
41 analysis of the pavement surfaces which includes, the number of
42 pothole damage claims filed by users of State roadways and the
43 associated costs of damages to vehicles as recorded by the Division
44 of Risk Management within the Department of the Treasury.

45 Lastly, the bill requires the annual report and the lifecycle cost
46 analysis to be made available to the public on the department's
47 internet website.