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SYNOPSIS

Requires DOT to implement complete streets policy that considers persons with certain disabilities.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Senate Transportation Committee on November 8, 2021, with amendments.

AN ACT concerning the Department of Transportation's implementation of a complete streets policy and supplementing Title 27 of the Revised Statutes.

BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

1. a. The Department of Transportation shall implement a complete streets policy to plan, design, construct, maintain, and operate new and rehabilitated public highways and public transportation projects, as those terms are defined pursuant to section 3 of P.L.1984, c.73 (C.27:1B-3), to provide safe access for all users, including bicyclists, pedestrians, transit riders, individuals with mobility impairments, and **[1]****[**individuals**]** persons**[1]** diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder **[1]**and persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities**[1]**. The complete streets policy shall require the consideration and implementation of design elements and infrastructure improvement projects that promote the ability of **[1]****[**individuals**]** persons**[1]** diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder **[1]**and persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities**[1]** to travel independently.

b. The department shall develop universal design concepts that advance the mobility options for individuals with **[1]**intellectual and**[1]** developmental disabilities**[1]****[**, including**]** and**[1]** individuals diagnosed with autism spectrum disorder, within the complete streets policy established pursuant to subsection a. of this section. The department shall develop guidance and policies for the means by which the universal design concepts shall be incorporated into the planning, design, construction, maintenance, and operation of new and rehabilitated public highways and public transportation projects, as those terms are defined pursuant to section 3 of P.L.1984, c.73 (C.27:1B-3).

c. The department shall encourage regional and local entities that apply for funding through the local aid program, pursuant to section 25 of P.L.1984, c.73 (C.27:1B-25), to adopt a complete streets policy that complies with the provisions of this section.

2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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.
Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:
[1]Senate STR committee amendments adopted November 8, 2021.