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Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY

Requires the Director of Transportation to adopt rules (effective by January 1, 2022) that prevent any particular type of highway pavement from receiving priority in the highway construction bidding process.

DETAILED ANALYSIS

Pavement used in highway construction projects

The bill requires the Director Transportation to adopt rules (effective by January 1, 2022) that prevent any particular type of highway pavement (e.g., asphalt or concrete) from receiving priority in the highway construction bidding process. Additionally, the rules must do both of the following:

- 1. Encourage competition among industries involved in the production of paving materials in order to avoid monopolies and so that no single type of highway pavement receives preferential treatment in the highway construction project bidding process; and
- 2. Comply with federal highway administration guidelines and recommendations for pavement design, use of alternate bidding for pavement type selection, and the promotion of competition in highway construction project bidding.

The Director must deliver a copy of the rules to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President of the Senate, and the chairs of the standing committees in the House of Representatives and Senate with primary responsibility over transportation issues on January 1, 2022.¹

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¹ R.C. 5525.26.

HISTORY

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