

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NUMBER: Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 634

SHORT TITLE: Loop Funds May Be Reallocated

SPONSOR(S): Senators Gulley, Lucas, Horton, McDaniel

FISCAL IMPACT: Expenditures: Increase () Decrease ()
Revenues: Increase () Decrease ()
No Impact (x)
No Estimate Available ()

FUND AFFECTED: General Fund () Highway Fund () Local Govt. ()
Other Funds (x) (Highway Trust Fund & Federal Funds)

BILL SUMMARY: The act permits the reallocation of the Highway Trust Fund, urban loop funds to other Transportation Improvement Program projects and public transportation.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The act is effective upon ratification

PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S)/PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED:

FISCAL IMPACT

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REVENUES:

GENERAL FUND

HIGHWAY FUND

HIGHWAY TRUST FUND

LOCAL

EXPENDITURES

POSITIONS:

ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY: The act permits the Metropolitan Planning Organizations affected by the Durham Northern Loop and the Winston-Salem Northbelt to substitute projects for the loops intended for their area. The act does not increase the amount of money going to these regions. The local governments must stay within the estimated project cost of their loop when petitioning DOT to redirect funds to other projects. As of December, 1994, DOT estimated the construction costs of the Durham Loop to be \$90.35 million and the Winston-Salem Loop to be \$307.05 million.

Project estimates exclude preliminary engineering expenses. DOT has spent \$1.5 million on the Durham Loop and \$1.25 million on the Winston-Salem Loop for pre-engineering. This work can be considered a "sunk cost" in the projects and the initial engineering plans can be placed in the DOT archives for future use. Such pre-engineering work on road projects is not unusual.

SOURCES OF DATA: Department of Transportation

TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS:

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