## HOUSE BILL No. 5357

November 6, 1997, Introduced by Reps. Profit, Godchaux, Dobb, Middleton, Llewellyn, Owen and Jaye and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

## A bill to amend 1951 PA 51, entitled

"An act to provide for the classification of all public roads, streets, and highways in this state, and for the revision of that classification and for additions to and deletions from each classification; to set up and establish the Michigan transportation fund; to provide for the deposits in the Michigan transportation fund of specific taxes on motor vehicles and motor vehicle fuels; to provide for the allocation of funds from the Michigan transportation fund and the use and administration of the fund for transportation purposes; to set up and establish the truck safety fund; to provide for the allocation of funds from the truck safety fund and administration of the fund for truck safety purposes; to set up and establish the Michigan truck safety commission; to establish certain standards for road contracts for certain businesses; to provide for the continuing review of transportation needs within the state; to authorize the state transportation commission, counties, cities, and villages to borrow money, issue bonds, and make pledges of funds for the payment of deficiencies necessary for the payment of bonds issued under this act; to provide for the limitations, payment, retirement, and security of the bonds and pledges; to provide for appropriations and tax levies by counties and townships for county roads; to authorize contributions by townships for county roads; to provide for the establishment and administration of the state trunk line fund, critical bridge fund, comprehensive transportation fund, and certain other funds; to provide for the deposits in the state trunk line fund, critical bridge fund, comprehensive

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transportation fund, and certain other funds of money raised by specific taxes and fees; to provide for definitions of public transportation functions and criteria; to define the purposes for which Michigan transportation funds may be allocated; to provide for Michigan transportation fund grants; to provide for review and approval of transportation programs; to provide for submission of annual legislative requests and reports; to provide for the establishment and functions of certain advisory entities; to provide for conditions for grants; to provide for the issuance of bonds and notes for transportation purposes; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies and officials; to provide for the making of loans for transportation purposes by the state transportation department and for the receipt and repayment by local units and agencies of those loans from certain specified sources; and to repeal acts and parts of acts," by amending section 12 (MCL 247.662), as amended by 1997 PA 79, and by adding section 20b.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 12. (1) The amount distributed to the county road com missions shall be returned to the county treasurers in the
 manner, for the purposes, and under the terms and conditions
 specified in this section. The department and the county road
 association of Michigan shall jointly develop incentives for
 counties to establish statewide purchasing pools for the more
 efficient use of Michigan transportation funds.

8 (2) Each county road commission shall be reimbursed in an
9 amount up to \$10,000.00 per year for the sum paid to a licensed
10 professional engineer employed or retained by the county road
11 commission in the previous year. The sum shall be returned to
12 each county road commission certified by the state transportation
13 department as complying with this subsection regarding the
14 employment of an engineer.

15 (3) An amount equal to 1% of the total amount returned to16 the county road commissions from the Michigan transportation fund

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during the prior calendar year shall be withheld annually from
 the counties' November monthly distribution provided for in sec tion 17, and the amount shall be returned to the county road com missions for snow removal purposes as provided in section 12a.

5 (4) An amount equal to 10% 15% of the total amount
6 returned to the county road commissions from the Michigan trans7 portation fund shall be returned to each county road commission
8 having county primary, or county local road, or both, mileage in
9 the urban areas as determined pursuant to section 12b. This sum
10 shall be distributed pursuant to section 12b. The return shall
11 be in addition to the amounts provided in subsections (6) and (7)
12 and for the purposes stated in those subsections.

13 (5) An amount equal to 4% 15% of the total amount returned 14 to the county road commissions from the Michigan transportation 15 fund shall be returned to the county road commissions in the same 16 percentages as provided in subsection (7). All money returned to 17 the county road commissions as provided in this subsection shall 18 be expended by the county road commissions for the maintenance, 19 improvement, construction, reconstruction, acquisition, and 20 extension of county local road systems and shall be in addition 21 to the amounts provided in subsection (7).

(6) Seventy-five percent of the remainder of the total amount to be returned to the counties shall be expended by each county road commission for the maintenance, improvement, construction, reconstruction, acquisition, and extension of the county primary road system, including the acquisition of a necessary right of way for the system, work incidental to the

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1 system, and a roadside park or motor parkway appurtenant to the 2 system, and shall be returned to the counties as follows:

3 (a) Three-fourths of the amount in proportion to the amount
4 received within the respective county during the 12 months next
5 preceding the date of each monthly distribution, as specific
6 taxes upon registered motor vehicles under the Michigan vehicle
7 code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.1 to 257.923.

8 (b) One-tenth of the amount in the same proportion that the
9 total mileage in the county primary road system of each county
10 bears to the total mileage in all of the county primary road sys11 tems of the state.

12 (c) One eighty-third of the remaining 15% of the amount to13 each county.

14 (7) The balance of the remainder of the total amount to be 15 returned to counties shall be expended by each county road com-16 mission for the maintenance, improvement, construction, recon-17 struction, acquisition, and extension of the county local road 18 system as defined by this act, including the acquisition of a 19 necessary right of way for the system, work incidental to the 20 system, and a roadside park or motor parkway appurtenant to the 21 system, and shall be returned to the counties as follows:

(a) Sixty-five percent of the amount in the same proportion
that the total mileage in the county local road system of each
county bears to the total mileage in all of the county local road
systems of the state.

26 (b) Thirty-five percent of the amount in the same proportion27 that the total population outside of incorporated municipalities

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in each county bears to the total population outside of
 incorporated municipalities in all of the counties of the state,
 according to the most recent statewide federal census as certi fied at the beginning of the state fiscal year.

5 (8) Money deposited in, or becoming a part of the county
6 road funds of a board of county road commissioners shall be
7 expended first for the payment of principal and interest on the
8 bonds, for the payment of contractual contributions pledged for
9 the payment of bonds, for debt service requirements for the pay10 ment of contractual contributions pledged for the payment of
11 bonds, and for debt service requirements for the payment of notes
12 and loans in the following order of priority:

(a) For the payment of contributions required to be made by 14 a board of county road commissioners under a contract entered 15 into under 1941 PA 205, MCL 252.51 to 252.64, which contributions 16 have been pledged for the payment of the principal and interest 17 on bonds issued under that act, or for the payment of total debt 18 service requirements upon notes issued by a board of county road 19 commissioners under 1943 PA 143, MCL 141.251 to 141.254.

(b) For the payment of principal and interest upon bonds issued under section 18c, and the payment of contributions of a board of county road commissioners to be made pursuant to contracts entered into under section 18d, which contributions are pledged to the payment of principal and interest on bonds issued after June 30, 1957, under the authorization of section 18c and contracts executed pursuant to its provisions.

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(c) For the payment of principal and interest upon loans
 received pursuant to section 11(7), to the extent other funds
 have not been made available for that payment.

(9) Not to exceed 30% per year of the amount returned to a 4 5 county for use on the county primary road system may be expended, 6 with or without matching, on the county local road system of that 7 county. Not to exceed 15% per year of the amount returned to a 8 county for expenditure on the county local road system may be 9 used, with or without matching, on the county primary road system 10 of that county, and not to exceed an additional 15% per year of 11 the amount returned to a county for expenditure on the county 12 local road system, may, in case of an emergency or with the **13** approval of the state transportation department, be expended, 14 with or without matching, on the county primary road system of 15 that county. An amount returned to a county for and on account 16 of county local roads, under this section, in excess of the total 17 amount paid into the county treasury each year by all of the 18 townships of that county for and on account of the county local 19 roads pursuant to section 14(6) may be transferred to and 20 expended on the county primary road system of that county. (10) Not less than 20% per year of the funds returned to a 21 22 county by this section shall be expended for snow and ice remov-

24 ing highway, and the acquisition of a necessary right of way for 25 those highways, and work incidental to those highways, or for the 26 servicing of bonds issued by the county for these purposes.

23 al, the construction or reconstruction of a new highway or exist-

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Surplus funds may be expended for the development, construction,
 or repair of an off-street parking facility.

3 (11) Not more than 5% per year of the funds returned to a
4 county for the county primary road system and the county local
5 road system shall be expended for the maintenance, improvement,
6 or acquisition of appurtenant roadside parks and motor parkways.

7 (12) Funds returned to a county shall be expended by the 8 county road commission for the purposes provided in this section 9 and shall be deposited by the county treasurer in a designated 10 county depository, in a separate account to the credit of the 11 county road fund, and shall be paid out only upon the order of 12 the county road commission, and interest accruing on the money 13 shall become a part of, and be deposited with the county road 14 fund.

15 (13) In a county to which the funds are returned the func-16 tion of the county road commission shall be limited to the forma-17 tion of policy and the performance of the official duties imposed 18 by law and delegated by the county board of commissioners. A 19 member of the county road commission shall not be employed indi-20 vidually in any other capacity for other duties with the county 21 road commission.

(14) A county road commission may enter into an agreement with a county road commission of an adjacent county and with a city or village to perform work on a highway, road, or street, and with the state transportation department with respect to a state trunk line and connecting links of the state trunk line within the limits of the county or adjacent to the county. The

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1 agreement may provide for the performance by each contracting 2 party of the work contemplated by the contract including engi-3 neering services and the acquisition of rights of way in connec-4 tion with the work contemplated, by purchase or condemnation, by 5 any of the contracting parties in its own name and the agreement 6 may provide for joint participation in the costs.

7 (15) Money distributed from the Michigan transportation fund
8 may be expended for construction purposes on county local roads
9 only to the extent matched by money from other sources. However,
10 Michigan transportation funds may be expended for the construc11 tion of bridges on the county local roads in an amount not to
12 exceed 75% of the cost of the construction of local road
13 bridges. This subsection does not apply to section 11b.

14 (16) Notwithstanding any other provision of this act, at 15 least 90% of the state revenue returned annually to the county 16 road commission from the Michigan transportation fund less the 17 amounts described in subdivisions (a) to (e) shall be expended 18 annually by the county road commission for the maintenance of 19 highways, roads, streets, and bridges, and for the payment of 20 contractual contributions pledged for the payment of bonds or 21 portions of bonds, debt service requirements for the payment of 22 bonds or portions of bonds, and debt service requirements for the 23 payment of notes and loans or portions of notes and loans issued 24 or received after July 1, 1983, for the purpose of providing 25 funds for the maintenance of highways, roads, streets, and 26 bridges. If an appropriate certificate is filed under 27 subsection (19) but only to the extent necessary, this subsection

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1 shall not prohibit the use of any amount of state revenue 2 returned annually to the county road commissions for the payment 3 of contractual contributions pledged for the payment of bonds, 4 for debt service requirements for the payment of bonds, and for 5 debt service requirements for the payment of notes or loans, 6 whenever issued or received, as specified under subsection (8). 7 The amounts which are deducted from the state revenue returned to 8 a county road commission from the Michigan transportation fund, 9 for the purpose of the calculation required by this subsection 10 are as follows:

(a) Amounts expended for the purposes described in subsection (8) for bonds, notes, loans, or other obligations issued or
received before July 2, 1983.

14 (b) Amounts expended for the administrative costs of the15 county road commission.

16 (c) Amounts expended for capital outlay projects for equip-17 ment and buildings, and for the payment of contractual contribu-18 tions pledged for the payment of bonds, for debt service require-19 ments for the payment of bonds, and for debt service requirements 20 for the payment of notes and loans issued or received after 21 July 1, 1983, for the purpose of providing funds for capital 22 outlay projects for equipment and buildings.

(d) Amounts expended for projects vital to the economy of
the local area or the safety of the public in the local area.
Before these amounts can be deducted, the governing body over the
county road commission or the county road commission, as
applicable, shall pass a resolution approving these projects.

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This resolution shall state which projects will be funded and the
 cost of each project. A copy of each approved resolution shall
 be forwarded immediately to the department.

4 (e) Amounts expended in urban areas as determined pursuant5 to section 12b.

6 (17) As used in this subsection, "urban routes" means those
7 portions of 2 lane county primary roads within an urban area
8 which has average daily traffic in excess of 15,000.

9 Notwithstanding any other provision of this act, except as pro-10 vided in this subsection, a county road commission shall expend 11 annually at least 90% of the federal revenue distributed to the 12 use of the county road commission for highways, roads, streets, 13 and bridges, less the amount expended on urban routes for other 14 than maintenance purposes and the amount expended for 15 hard-surfacing of gravel roads on the federal-aid system, on the 16 maintenance of highways, roads, streets, and bridges. A county 17 road commission may expend in a year less than 90% of the federal 18 revenue distributed to the use of the county road commission for 19 highways, roads, streets, and bridges, less the amount expended 20 on urban routes for other than maintenance purposes and the 21 amount expended for hard-surfacing of gravel roads on the 22 federal-aid system, on the maintenance of highways, roads, 23 streets, and bridges, if that year is part of a 3-year period in 24 which at least 90% of the total federal revenue distributed in 25 the 3-year period to the use of the county road commission for 26 highways, roads, streets, and bridges, less the amount expended 27 on urban routes for other than maintenance purposes and the

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1 amount expended for hard-surfacing of gravel roads on the 2 federal-aid system, is expended on the maintenance of highways, 3 roads, streets, and bridges. If a county road commission expends 4 in a year less than 90% of the federal revenue distributed to the 5 use of the county road commission for highways, roads, streets, 6 and bridges, less the amount expended on urban routes for other 7 than maintenance purposes and the amount expended for 8 hard-surfacing of gravel roads on the federal-aid system, on the 9 maintenance of highways, roads, streets, and bridges and that 10 year is not a part of a 3-year period in which at least 90% of 11 the total federal revenue distributed in the 3-year period to the 12 use of the county road commission for highways, roads, streets, 13 and bridges, less the amount expended on urban routes for other 14 than maintenance purposes and the amount expended for 15 hard-surfacing of gravel roads on the federal-aid system, is 16 expended on the maintenance of highways, roads, streets, and 17 bridges, the county road commission shall expend in each year 18 subsequent to the 3-year period 100%, or less in 1 year if suffi-19 cient for the purposes of this subsection, of the federal revenue 20 distributed to the use of the county road commission for high-21 ways, roads, streets, and bridges, less the amount expended on 22 urban routes for other than maintenance purposes and the amount 23 expended for hard-surfacing of gravel roads on the federal-aid 24 system, on the maintenance of highways, roads, streets, and 25 bridges until the average percentage spent on the maintenance of 26 highways, roads, streets, and bridges in the 3-year period and 27 the subsequent years, less the amount expended on urban routes

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1 for other than maintenance purposes and the amount expended for 2 hard-surfacing of gravel roads on the federal-aid system, is at 3 least 90%. A year may be included in only one 3-year period for 4 the purposes of this subsection. The requirements of this sub-5 section shall be waived if compliance would cause the county road 6 commission to be ineligible according to federal law for federal 7 revenue, but only to the extent necessary to make the county road 8 commission eligible according to federal law for that revenue. 9 For the purpose of the calculations required by this subsection, 10 the amount expended on urban routes by a county road commission 11 for other than maintenance purposes and the amount expended for 12 hard-surfacing of gravel roads on the federal-aid system shall be 13 deducted from the total federal revenue distributed to the use of 14 the county road commission.

**15** (18) As

(18) As used in this section:

(a) "Maintenance" and "maintaining" mean snow removal; erection of traffic control devices and traffic signals and payment of monthly electrical costs for those signals; street cleaning and drainage; seal coating; patching and ordinary repairs; erection and maintenance of traffic signs and markings; safety projects which do not increase through traffic capacity; and the preservation, reconstruction, resurfacing, restoration, and rehabilitation of highways, roads, streets, and bridges. However, amaintenance and maintaining do not include projects which increase the capacity of a highway facility to accommodate that part of the traffic having neither origin nor destination within the local area.

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(b) "Maintenance" and "maintaining" include widening less
 than lane width; adding auxiliary turning lanes of 1/2 mile or
 less; adding auxiliary weaving, climbing, or speed change lanes;
 and correcting substandard intersections.

(19) A county road commission shall certify, which certifi-5 6 cation shall, for purposes of the validity of bonds and notes, be 7 conclusive as to the matters stated therein, to the state trans-8 portation department on or before the issuance of any bonds or 9 notes issued after July 1, 1983, pursuant to 1943 PA 143, MCL 10 141.251 to 141.254, 1941 PA 205, MCL 252.51 to 252.64, or section 11 18c or 18d, for purposes other than the maintenance of highways, 12 roads, streets, and bridges and purposes other than the purposes 13 specified in subsection (16)(c) that its average annual debt 14 service requirements for all bonds and notes or portions of bonds 15 and notes issued after July 1, 1983, for purposes other than the 16 maintenance of highways, roads, streets, and bridges and other 17 than for the purposes specified in subsection (16)(c), including 18 the bond or note to be issued does not exceed 10% of the funds 19 returned to the county road commission pursuant to this act, less 20 the amounts specified in subsection (16)(a), (b), and (c) during 21 the last completed fiscal year of the county road commission. Ιf 22 the purpose for which the bonds or notes are issued is changed 23 after the issuance of the notes or bonds, the change shall be 24 made in such a manner to maintain compliance with the certifica-25 tion required by this subsection, as of the date the certificate 26 was originally issued, but no such change shall invalidate or 27 otherwise affect the bonds or notes with respect to which the

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certificate was issued or the obligation to pay debt service on
 the bonds or notes.

3 (20) In each charter county to which funds are returned 4 under this section, the responsibility for road improvement, 5 maintenance, and traffic operation work, and the development, 6 construction, or repair of off-road parking facilities and con-7 struction or repair of road lighting shall be coordinated by a 8 single administrator to be designated by the county executive who 9 shall be responsible for and shall represent the charter county 10 in transactions with the state transportation department pursuant 11 to this act.

12 (21) Not more than 10% per year of all of the funds received 13 by and returned to a county from any source for the purposes of 14 this section may be expended for administrative expenses. A 15 county that expends more than 10% for administrative expenses in 16 a year shall be subject to section 14(5) unless a waiver is 17 granted by the department of treasury. As used in this subsec-18 tion, "administrative expenses" means those expenses that are not 19 assigned including, but not limited to, specific road construc-20 tion or maintenance projects and are often referred to as general 21 or supportive services. Administrative expenses shall not 22 include net equipment expense, net capital outlay, debt service 23 principal and interest, and payments to other state or local 24 offices which are assigned, but not limited to, specific road 25 construction projects or maintenance activities.

26 (22) In addition to the financial compliance audits required27 by law, the department of treasury shall conduct performance

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1 audits and make investigations of the disposition of all state
2 funds received by county road commissions, county boards of com3 missioners, or any other county governmental agency acting as the
4 county road authority, for transportation purposes to determine
5 compliance with the terms and conditions of this act.

6 Performance audits shall be conducted according to government 7 auditing standards issued by the United States general accounting 8 office. The department of treasury shall provide 6 months notice 9 to the county road commission or county board of commissioners, 10 as applicable, of the standards to be used for audits performed 11 under this subsection prior to the fiscal year in which the audit 12 is conducted. The department shall notify the county road com-13 mission or county board of commissioners of any subsequent 14 changes to the standards. County road commissions or county 15 boards of commissioners, as applicable, shall make available to 16 the department of treasury the pertinent records for the audit.

17 (23) IF 1 OR MORE TOWNSHIPS ASSUME JURISDICTION FOR THE
18 IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF ALL OR A PORTION OF THE COUNTY
19 LOCAL ROAD SYSTEM OR THE COUNTY PRIMARY SYSTEM, OR BOTH, WITHIN
20 THAT TOWNSHIP, THE AMOUNT RETURNED TO A COUNTY UNDER THIS SECTION
21 FOR THAT PORTION OF THE COUNTY LOCAL ROAD SYSTEM OR COUNTY PRI22 MARY SYSTEM, OR BOTH, SHALL BE ALLOCATED TO THOSE TOWNSHIPS IN
23 THE MANNER PROVIDED IN SECTION 20B ACCORDING TO THE FOLLOWING:
24 (A) SIXTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE AMOUNT IN THE SAME PROPORTION
25 THAT THE TOTAL MILEAGE IN THE COUNTY LOCAL ROAD SYSTEM AND THE
26 COUNTY PRIMARY SYSTEM, IF APPLICABLE, IN THE TOWNSHIP BEARS TO

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THE TOTAL MILEAGE IN THE COUNTY LOCAL ROAD SYSTEM AND THE COUNTY
 PRIMARY SYSTEM, IF APPLICABLE, OF THE COUNTY.

3 (B) THIRTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE AMOUNT IN THE SAME PROPORTION
4 THAT THE TOTAL POPULATION OUTSIDE OF THE INCORPORATED VILLAGES
5 AND CITIES IN THE TOWNSHIP BEARS TO THE TOTAL POPULATION OUTSIDE
6 OF INCORPORATED VILLAGES AND CITIES OF THE COUNTY, ACCORDING TO
7 THE MOST RECENT STATEWIDE FEDERAL CENSUS PRECEDING THE
8 DISTRIBUTION.

9 (24) IF A TOWNSHIP DOES NOT ASSUME JURISDICTION OVER ANY 10 PART OF THE COUNTY LOCAL ROAD SYSTEM OR THE COUNTY PRIMARY 11 SYSTEM, OR BOTH, IT MAY PROVIDE INPUT REGARDING EXPENDITURE OF 12 THE FUNDS ALLOCATED UNDER SUBSECTIONS (4) AND (5) BY GIVING 13 NOTICE TO THE COUNTY THAT IT WILL SUBMIT A 3-YEAR PLAN THAT SPEC-14 IFIES THE ROADS IT DESIRES TO HAVE REPAIRED, MAINTAINED, OR 15 IMPROVED BY THE COUNTY. UPON RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE FROM THE 16 TOWNSHIP, THE COUNTY SHALL IMMEDIATELY GIVE NOTICE TO THE TOWN-17 SHIP OF THE FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR ROADS WITHIN THAT TOWNSHIP. A 18 TOWNSHIP'S SHARE OF THE FUNDS PROVIDED FOR IN THIS SUBSECTION 19 SHALL BE EXPENDED ONLY AS DIRECTED BY THE TOWNSHIP IF THE TOWN-20 SHIP HAS FILED WITH THE COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION BEFORE APRIL 1 OF 21 EACH YEAR A 3-YEAR PLAN SHOWING THE PROPOSED PROJECTS FOR WHICH 22 THE FUNDS ARE TO BE USED. A TOWNSHIP 3-YEAR PLAN MAY PROVIDE 23 THAT FUNDS MAY BE ACCUMULATED FOR A PERIOD OF NOT MORE THAN 3 24 YEARS. IN ANY YEAR THAT A TOWNSHIP DOES NOT PROVIDE A PLAN TO 25 THE COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION BEFORE APRIL 1, THE PORTION ALLOCATED 26 FOR THAT YEAR TO THAT TOWNSHIP SHALL BE DIVIDED AMONG THE OTHER 27 TOWNSHIPS SUBMITTING PLANS. WHEN FUNDS ARE REDIVIDED AS PROVIDED

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IN THIS SUBSECTION, TOWNSHIPS SUBMITTING PLANS MAY AMEND THEIR
 PLAN TO ADDRESS THE ADDITIONAL FUNDS. SUBSECTION (15) DOES NOT
 APPLY TO A DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS UNDER THIS SUBSECTION. FUNDS
 DISTRIBUTED TO A COUNTY FOR SNOW REMOVAL PURPOSES UNDER SUBSEC TION (3) ARE NOT AFFECTED BY THIS SUBSECTION.

6 SEC. 20B. (1) A TOWNSHIP BOARD MAY ASSUME JURISDICTION FOR
7 THE IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF ALL OR ANY PART OF THE COUNTY
8 LOCAL ROAD SYSTEM OR THE COUNTY PRIMARY SYSTEM, OR BOTH, WITHIN
9 THAT TOWNSHIP IN THE MANNER PROVIDED BY THIS SECTION.

10 (2) THE TOWNSHIP BOARD SHALL NOTIFY THE BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD
11 COMMISSIONERS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF ITS INTENT TO ASSUME JURIS12 DICTION BEFORE OCTOBER 1 OF ANY YEAR. BEGINNING JANUARY 1 IN THE
13 YEAR FOLLOWING NOTIFICATION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PAY TO THAT
14 TOWNSHIP THAT SHARE OF TRANSPORTATION FUNDS FORMERLY ALLOCATED TO
15 THE COUNTY UNDER SECTION 12 FOR THOSE LOCAL OR PRIMARY ROADS DES16 IGNATED BY THE TOWNSHIP IN THE MANNER PROVIDED IN SECTION
17 12(23).

18 (3) THE NOTIFICATION TO THE BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION19 ERS SHALL CONTAIN THE DESIGNATION OF ALL OR A PORTION OF THE
20 COUNTY LOCAL ROAD SYSTEM OR COUNTY PRIMARY SYSTEM, OR BOTH,
21 WITHIN THAT TOWNSHIP THAT THE TOWNSHIP BOARD INTENDS TO ASSUME
22 RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT.

(4) A TOWNSHIP MAY ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS WITH OTHER TOWN24 SHIPS, CITIES, VILLAGES, COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONS, OR THE COMMIS25 SION OR MAY CONTRACT WITH PRIVATE ENTITIES FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF
26 THE SAME SERVICES THAT THE COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION USES ITS FUNDS
27 UNDER SECTION 12.

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1 (5) THE TOWNSHIP SHALL KEEP SEPARATE ACCOUNTS AND ACCURATE  ${f 2}$  and uniform records of all transportation funds, and shall file 3 WITH THE COMMISSION ON OR BEFORE APRIL 1 OF EACH YEAR, ON FORMS 4 TO BE PROVIDED BY THE COMMISSION, A REPORT SHOWING THE DISPOSI-5 TION OF FUNDS RECEIVED AND EXPENDED FOR ROAD PURPOSES. THE FAIL-6 URE OF A TOWNSHIP TO USE FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT FOR 7 THE PURPOSES PRESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION SHALL RESULT IN THE FOR-8 FEITURE BY THE TOWNSHIP OF FUNDS TO WHICH IT MAY HAVE BEEN ENTI-9 TLED UNDER THIS ACT FOR 1 YEAR AFTER THE FAILURE TO APPLY THE 10 MONEY FOR THE PURPOSES PRESCRIBED. ALL FUNDS FORFEITED SHALL 11 THEREAFTER BE RETURNED TO THE DEPARTMENT.

12 (6) IF THE TOWNSHIP ASSUMES JURISDICTION UNDER THIS SECTION, 13 THE TOWNSHIP SHALL ASSUME LIABILITY FOR FAILURE TO MAINTAIN THE 14 LOCAL ROADS OR PRIMARY ROADS, OR BOTH, SPECIFIED IN THE **15** NOTIFICATION.

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