HOUSE BILL NO. 4950

September 16, 2025, Introduced by Rep. Skaggs and referred to Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

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 promote safe and efficient travel for motor vehicle drivers, bicyclists, pedestrians, and other legal users of roads, streets, and highways; 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 transportation purposes; to authorize counties to advance 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, local bridge fund, comprehensive transportation fund, and certain other funds; to provide for the deposits in the state trunk line fund, critical bridge fund, comprehensive 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; to investigate and study the tolling of roads, streets, highways, or bridges; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,"

by amending sections 5a, 10, 11, 11h, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 20a (MCL 247.655a, 247.660, 247.661, 247.661h, 247.662, 247.663, 247.664, 247.665, and 247.670a), section 5a as added by 1981 PA 184, section 10 as amended by 2022 PA 50, section 11 as amended by 2015 PA 175, sections 11h, 14, and 15 as amended by 2020 PA 152, section 12 as amended by 2023 PA 248, section 13 as amended by 2020 PA 153, and section 20a as amended by 2012 PA 298; and to repeal acts and parts of acts.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 5a. (1) The board of county road commissioners of each 1 county may establish a system of seasonal county roads, which may 2 be part of either the county primary road system, the county local 3 4 road system, or both systems. A board of county road commissioners 5 in establishing a system of seasonal county roads, may declare a road under the jurisdiction of the board to not be open to public 6 7 travel during the months of November through April, which road shall then not be open to public travel. 8

(2) The seasonal county road system shall include any road under the jurisdiction of the board of county road commissioners which that board determines shall not be open to public travel each year for a period of less than 12 months. The system of seasonal county roads shall be selected on the basis of seasonal use of the roads and in accordance with rules promulgated by the state transportation department. A board of county road commissioners may include or exclude roads in the seasonal county road system upon adoption of a proper resolution, but only after holding a public hearing. Notice of the public hearing shall be given to the clerk of the county and of each city, village, or township in which the roads are situated and published at least twice in a newspaper of general circulation in that county, the first notice to be not less than 30 days before the hearing and the second notice not less than 7 days before the hearing. The notice shall contain the date, time, and place of the hearing and shall describe in general terms the action proposed to be taken by the board, the roads to be affected, and the period of time that the roads shall not be open to public travel. The business which the board may perform at the public hearing shall be conducted at a hearing held in compliance with Act

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- 1 No. 267 of the Public Acts of 1976, as amended, being sections
- 2 15.261 to 15.275 of the Michigan Compiled Laws. the open meetings
- 3 act, 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.261 to 15.275. In addition to the other
- 4 notices required by this subsection, public notice of the time,
- 5 date, and place of the hearing shall be given in the manner
- 6 required by Act No. 267 of the Public Acts of 1976, as amended. the
- 7 open meetings act, 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.261 to 15.275. If at the
- 8 hearing an objection is made to the designation of a road as a part
- 9 of the seasonal county road system by a person occupying a
- 10 structure located upon or along the road as the person's principal
- 11 residence, the commissioners shall not designate that road as a
- 12 part of the seasonal county road system unless the commissioners
- 13 provide that person with immediate access to a road which is not a
- 14 part of the seasonal county road sytsem.system.
- 15 (3) Within 30 days after final adoption of a resolution
- 16 establishing a seasonal county road system, the board of county
- 17 road commissioners shall file with the state transportation
- 18 department and each city, village, or township in which the roads
- 19 are situated a full record of its determination.
- 20 (4) The designation of a road as part of the seasonal county
- 21 road system shall not affect the certification of the road under
- 22 this act, but if the road is not open to public travel during the
- 23 months of December to April, the road shall be excluded for
- 24 purposes of the distribution of snow removal funds under section
- **25** 12a.
- 26 (5) A road included as part of the seasonal county road system
- 27 shall be excluded for the purposes of determining the distribution
- 28 of funds under sections 12(4) and 12b for each year in which the
- 29 road is part of the seasonal county road system.

- (5) (6) A map shall be maintained and on display in the office
 of each board of county road commissioners which has established a
 seasonal county roads system which shall also inform the public of
 the dates the road or road shall not open to public travel.
- (6) (7) The board shall place and maintain signs on all roads
 designated as seasonal county roads, which signs shall describe the
 roads as seasonal county roads.
- 8 Sec. 10. (1) A fund to be known as the Michigan transportation 9 fund is established in the state treasury as a separate fund. The 10 state treasurer may receive money or other assets from any source
- 11 for deposit into the fund. The state treasurer shall direct the
- 12 investment of the fund. The state treasurer shall credit to the
- 13 fund interest and earnings from fund investments. Except as
- 14 otherwise provided in this section, the legislature shall
- 15 appropriate money for the necessary expenses incurred in the
- 16 administration and enforcement of the motor fuel tax act, 2000 PA
- 17 403, MCL 207.1001 to 207.1170, the motor carrier act, 1933 PA 254,
- 18 MCL 475.1 to 479.42, and sections 801 to 810 of the Michigan
- 19 vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.801 to 257.810. Money
- 20 appropriated for necessary expenses must be based upon established
- 21 cost allocation methodology that reflects actual costs.
- 22 Appropriations for the necessary expenses incurred by the
- 23 department of state in administration and enforcement of sections
- 24 801 to 810 of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.801
- 25 to 257.810, must be made from the Michigan transportation fund and
- 26 from money in the transportation administration collection fund
- 27 created in section 810b of the Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300,
- 28 MCL 257.810b. Appropriations from the Michigan transportation fund
- 29 for the necessary expenses incurred by the department of state in

- 1 administration and enforcement of sections 801 to 810 of the
- 2 Michigan vehicle code, 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.801 to 257.810, must
- 3 not exceed \$20,000,000.00 per state fiscal year. Except as provided
- 4 in section 51d of the income tax act of 1967, 1967 PA 281, MCL
- 5 206.51d, all money in the Michigan transportation fund is
- 6 apportioned and appropriated in the following manner:
- 7 (a) Not more than \$3,000,000.00 as may be annually
- 8 appropriated each fiscal year to the state trunk line fund for
- 9 subsequent deposit in the rail grade crossing account.
- 10 (b) Not more than \$3,000,000.00 as may be annually
- 11 appropriated each fiscal year to the state trunk line fund for
- 12 subsequent deposit in the grade crossing surface account.
- 13 (c) Not more than \$3,000,000.00 each year to the local bridge
- 14 fund established in subsection (4) for the purpose of payment of
- 15 the principal, interest, and redemption premium on any notes or
- 16 bonds issued by the state transportation commission under former
- 17 section 11b or subsection (9).
- 18 (d) Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision and
- 19 subject to section 11h, \$2,000,000.00 each year of the revenue from
- 20 3 cents of the tax levied under section 8(1)(a) of the motor fuel
- 21 tax act, 2000 PA 403, MCL 207.1008, to the local agency wetland
- 22 mitigation board fund created in section 11h.
- 23 (e) Except as otherwise provided in this subdivision,
- \$5,000,000.00 each year of the revenue from 3 cents of the tax
- 25 levied under section 8(1)(a) of the motor fuel tax act, 2000 PA
- 26 403, MCL 207.1008, to the movable bridge fund created in section
- 27 llg, with the remainder to the state trunk line fund, county road
- 28 commissions, and cities and villages in the percentages provided in
- 29 subdivision (l). The department shall annually adjust the amount

- 1 allocated under this subdivision by an amount equal to the annual
- 2 increase in the Detroit Consumer Price Index for the preceding
- 3 year.
- 4 (f) One-half of the revenue from 1 cent of the tax levied
- 5 under section 8(1)(a) of the motor fuel tax act, 2000 PA 403, MCL
- 6 207.1008, to the state trunk line fund for the repair of state
- 7 bridges under section 11, and 1/2 of the revenue from 1 cent of the
- 8 tax levied under section 8(1)(a) of the motor fuel tax act, 2000 PA
- 9 403, MCL 207.1008, to the local bridge fund created in subsection
- 10 (4) for distribution only to cities, villages, and county road
- 11 commissions.
- 12 (g) \$50,000,000.00 to the state trunk line fund for debt
- 13 service costs on state of Michigan projects.
- 14 (h) Ten percent to the comprehensive transportation fund for
- 15 the purposes described in section 10e.
- 16 (i) \$5,000,000.00 to the local bridge fund established in
- 17 subsection (4) for distribution only to the local bridge advisory
- 18 board, the regional bridge councils, cities, villages, and county
- 19 road commissions.
- (j) \$36,775,000.00 to the state trunk line fund for subsequent
- 21 deposit in the transportation economic development fund created in
- 22 section 2 of 1987 PA 231, MCL 247.902, with first priority for
- 23 allocation to debt service on bonds issued to fund transportation
- 24 economic development fund projects. In addition, \$3,500,000.00 is
- 25 appropriated from the Michigan transportation fund to the state
- 26 trunk line fund for subsequent deposit in the transportation
- 27 economic development fund created in section 2 of 1987 PA 231, MCL
- 28 247.902, to be used for economic development road projects in any
- 29 of the targeted industries described in section 9(1)(a) of 1987 PA

- 1 231, MCL 247.909.
- 2 (k) Not less than \$33,000,000.00 as may be annually
- 3 appropriated each fiscal year to the local program fund created in
- 4 section 11e.
- $\mathbf{5}$ (1) The balance of the Michigan transportation fund, as well as
- 6 funds allocated to the Michigan transportation fund and collected
- 7 under the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act, 2018
- **8** IL 1, MCL 333.27951 to 333.27967, as follows, after deduction of
- 9 the amounts appropriated in subdivisions (a) to (k):
- 10 (i) 39.1% to the state trunk line fund for the purposes
- 11 described in section 11 and section 10o(5).
- 12 (ii) 39.1% 30.45% to the county road commissions of this state.
- 13 (iii) 21.8% 30.45% to the cities and villages of this state.
- 14 (2) The money appropriated under this section must be used for
- 15 the purposes as provided in this act and any other applicable act.
- 16 Subject to section 9b, the department shall develop programs in
- 17 conjunction with the Michigan Chamber of Commerce and the Michigan
- 18 Minority Supplier Development Council to assist small businesses,
- 19 including those located in enterprise zones and those located in
- 20 empowerment zones as determined under federal law, as defined by
- 21 law in becoming qualified to bid.
- 22 (3) From federal funds, an amount equal to 31-1/2% of the
- 23 money formerly appropriated to this state from the federal
- 24 government under former 23 USC 157, commonly known as minimum
- 25 quarantee funds, must be allocated to the transportation economic
- 26 development fund, if the allocation is consistent with federal law.
- 27 This money must be distributed 16-1/2% for development projects for
- 28 rural counties as defined by law and 15% for capacity improvement
- 29 or advanced traffic management systems in urban counties as defined

- ${f 1}$ by law. Federal money allocated for distribution under this section
- 2 is eligible for obligation and use by all recipients as provided in
- ${f 3}$ the moving ahead for progress in the 21st century act, Public Law
- **4** 112-141.
- 5 (4) A fund to be known as the local bridge fund is established
- 6 in the state treasury as a separate fund. The money appropriated to
- 7 the local bridge fund and the interest accruing to that fund must
- 8 be expended for the local bridge program. The purpose of the fund
- 9 is to provide financial assistance to highway authorities for the
- 10 preservation, improvement, or reconstruction of existing bridges or
- 11 for the construction of bridges to replace existing bridges in
- 12 whole or part. The money in the local bridge fund is not subject to
- 13 section $\frac{12(15)}{12(12)}$ or 13(5). The local bridge advisory board is
- 14 created and must consist of 6 voting members appointed by the state
- 15 transportation commission and 2 nonvoting members appointed by the
- 16 department. The board must include 3 members from the County Road
- 17 Association of Michigan: —1 member who represents counties with
- 18 populations 65,000 or greater, 1 member who represents counties
- 19 with populations greater than 30,000 and less than 65,000, and 1
- 20 member who represents counties with populations of 30,000 or less.
- 21 Three members must be appointed from the Michigan Municipal League:
- 22 —1 member who represents cities with a population 75,000 or
- 23 greater, 1 member who represents cities with a population less than
- 24 75,000, and 1 member who represents villages. Each organization
- 25 with voting rights shall submit a list of nominees in each
- 26 population category to the state transportation commission. The
- 27 state transportation commission shall make the appointments from
- 28 the lists submitted under this subsection. Voting members must be
- 29 appointed for 2 years. The chairperson of the board must be

- 1 selected from among the voting members of the board. In addition to
- 2 the 2 nonvoting members, the department shall provide qualified
- 3 administrative staff and qualified technical assistance to the
- 4 board.
- 5 (5) No less than 5% and no more than 15% of the money received
- 6 in the local bridge fund may be used for critical repair of large
- 7 bridges and emergencies as determined by the local bridge advisory
- 8 board. Money remaining after the money allocated for critical large
- 9 bridge repair and emergencies is deducted must be distributed by
- 10 the board to the regional bridge councils created under this
- 11 section. One regional council must be formed for each department of
- 12 transportation region as those regions exist on October 1, 2004.
- 13 The regional councils must consist of 2 members of the County Road
- 14 Association of Michigan from counties in the region, 2 members of
- 15 the Michigan Municipal League from cities and villages in the
- 16 region, and 1 member of the department in each region. The members
- 17 of the department are nonvoting members and shall provide qualified
- 18 administrative staff and qualified technical assistance to the
- 19 regional councils.
- 20 (6) Money in the local bridge fund after deduction of the
- 21 amounts set aside for critical repair of large bridges and
- 22 emergency repairs must be distributed among the regional bridge
- 23 councils according to all of the following ratios, which must be
- 24 assigned a weight expressed as a percentage as determined by the
- 25 board, with each ratio receiving no greater than a 50% weight and
- 26 no less than a 25% weight:
- 27 (a) A ratio with a numerator that is the total number of local
- 28 bridges in the region and a denominator that is the total number of
- 29 local bridges in this state.

- (b) A ratio with a numerator that is the total local bridge
 deck area in the region and a denominator that is the total local
 bridge deck area in this state.
- 4 (c) A ratio with a numerator that is the total amount of
 5 structurally deficient local bridge deck area in the region and a
 6 denominator that is the total amount of structurally deficient
 7 local bridge deck area in this state.
- 8 (7) The regional bridge councils shall allocate the money
 9 received from the board for the preservation, improvement, and
 10 reconstruction of existing bridges or for the construction of
 11 bridges to replace existing bridges in whole or in part in each
 12 region.
- 13 (8) Each January, the department shall submit a report to the
 14 chair and the minority vice-chair of the appropriations committees
 15 of the senate and the house of representatives, and to the standing
 16 committees on transportation of the senate and the house of
 17 representatives, on all of the following activities for the
 18 previous state fiscal year:
- (a) A listing of how much money was dedicated for emergencyand large bridge repair.
- (b) A listing of what emergency and large bridge repairprojects were funded.
- 23 (c) The actual weights used in the calculation required under subsection (6).
 - (d) A listing of the total money distributed to each region.
- 26 (e) A listing of the specific projects that were funded under 27 subsection (7).
- 28 (9) The state transportation commission shall borrow money and 29 issue notes or bonds in an amount of not less than \$30,000,000.00

- 1 to supplement the funding provided for the local bridge program
- 2 under subsection (5). The bonds or notes issued under this
- 3 subsection may be issued by the commission for any purpose for
- 4 which other local bridge money may be used under this section. The
- 5 bonds or notes authorized by this subsection must be issued by
- 6 resolution of the state transportation commission consistent with
- 7 the requirements of section 18b.
- 8 (10) The department shall promulgate rules under the
- 9 administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to
- 10 24.328, governing the administration of the local bridge program.
- 11 The rules must set forth the eligibility criteria for financial
- 12 assistance under the program and other matters related to the
- 13 program that the department considers necessary and desirable. The
- 14 department shall take into consideration the availability of
- 15 federal aid and other financial resources of the highway authority
- 16 responsible for the bridge, the importance of the bridge to the
- 17 highway, road, or street network, and the condition of the existing
- 18 bridge.
- 19 (11) The revenue appropriated to the local bridge fund under
- 20 subsection (1)(i) must be distributed only to the local bridge
- 21 advisory board, the regional bridge councils, cities, villages, and
- 22 county road commissions.
- 23 (12) The regional bridge councils shall determine what bridge
- 24 projects are selected for funding from the local bridge fund
- 25 created in subsection (4) and shall make a list of selected
- 26 projects available to interested parties in the region. A
- 27 determination that a bridge project is selected for funding in a
- 28 given fiscal year is not approval to disburse the money.
- 29 (13) A county road commission, city, or village may implement

- 1 a bridge project if the bridge project has been selected for
- 2 funding and is included in the appropriate regional bridge
- 3 council's current multiyear bridge plan for the local bridge
- 4 program but the regional bridge council has not allocated money to
- 5 the bridge project for the fiscal year that the bridge project is
- 6 on the current multiyear bridge plan. A county road commission,
- 7 city, or village may borrow money to implement a project that has
- 8 been selected for funding and is included in the appropriate
- 9 regional bridge council's current multiyear bridge plan but has not
- 10 been allocated money by the regional bridge council. Based on
- 11 available local bridge money, when a bridge project that was
- 12 implemented with borrowed money is allocated funding in a
- 13 subsequent fiscal year, the funding must only be used to repay the
- 14 amount approved by the multiyear bridge plan when the money was
- 15 borrowed. To be eligible for repayment of the amount borrowed, a
- 16 bridge project that has been implemented with borrowed money must
- 17 be administered through the department's local bridge program.
- 18 Sec. 11. (1) A fund to be known as the state trunk line fund
- 19 is established in the state treasury as a separate fund. The money
- 20 deposited in the state trunk line fund is appropriated to the
- 21 department for the following purposes in the following order of
- 22 priority:
- 23 (a) For the payment, but only from money restricted as to use
- 24 by section 9 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963, of
- 25 bonds, notes, or other obligations in the following order of
- 26 priority:
- 27 (i) For the payment of contributions pledged before July 18,
- 28 1979 and required to be made by the state highway commission or the
- 29 state transportation commission under contracts entered into before

- **1** July 18, 1979, under 1941 PA 205, MCL 252.51 to 252.64, for the
- 2 payment of the principal and interest on bonds issued under 1941 PA
- $\bf 3$ 205, MCL 252.51 to 252.64, for the payment of which a sufficient
- 4 sum is irrevocably appropriated.
- (ii) For the payment of the principal and interest upon bonds
- 6 designated "State of Michigan, State Highway Commissioner, Highway
- 7 Construction Bonds, Series I", dated September 1, 1956, in the
- 8 aggregate principal amount of \$25,000,000.00, issued pursuant to
- 9 former 1955 PA 87 and the resolution of the state administrative
- 10 board adopted August 6, 1956, for the payment of which a sufficient
- 11 sum is irrevocably appropriated.
- 12 (iii) For the payment of the principal and interest on bonds
- 13 issued under section 18b for transportation purposes other than
- 14 comprehensive transportation purposes as defined by law and the
- 15 payment of contributions pledged to the payment of principal and
- 16 interest on bonds issued under section 18d and contracts entered
- 17 into under section 18d by the state highway commission or state
- 18 transportation commission to be made pursuant to contracts entered
- 19 into under section 18d. A sufficient portion of the fund is
- 20 irrevocably appropriated to pay, when due, the principal and
- 21 interest on bonds or notes issued under section 18b for purposes
- 22 other than comprehensive transportation purposes as defined by law,
- 23 and to pay the annual contributions of the state highway commission
- 24 and the state transportation commission as are pledged for the
- 25 payment of bonds issued under contracts authorized by section 18d.
- 26 (b) For the transfer of money appropriated under section
- 27 10(1)(i) to the transportation economic development fund, but the
- 28 transfer shall be reduced each fiscal year by the amount of debt
- 29 service to be paid in that year from the state trunk line fund for

- 1 bonds, notes, or other obligations issued to fund projects of the
- 2 transportation economic development fund, which amount shall be
- 3 certified by the department.
- 4 (c) For the transfer of money appropriated under section
- 5 10(1)(a) to the rail grade crossing account in the state trunk line
- 6 fund for expenditure for rail grade crossing improvement purposes
- 7 at rail grade crossings on public roads and streets under the
- 8 jurisdiction of this state, counties, cities, or villages. The
- 9 department shall select projects for funding in accordance with the
- 10 following:
- 11 (i) Not more than 50% or less than 30% of this money and
- 12 matched federal money shall be expended for state trunk line
- 13 projects.
- 14 (ii) In prioritizing projects for this money, in whole or in
- 15 part, the department shall consider train and vehicular traffic
- 16 volumes, accident history, traffic control device improvement
- 17 needs, and the availability of funding.
- 18 (iii) Consistent with the other requirements for this money, the
- 19 first priority for money deposited under this subdivision for rail
- 20 grade crossing improvements and retirement shall be to match
- 21 federal money from the railroad-highway grade crossing improvement
- 22 program or other comparable federal programs if a match is required
- 23 under federal law.
- 24 (iv) If the department and a road authority with jurisdiction
- 25 over the crossing formally agree that the grade crossing should be
- 26 eliminated by permanent closing of the public road or street, the
- 27 physical removal of the crossing, roadway within railroad rights of
- 28 way and street termination treatment shall be negotiated between
- 29 the road authority and railroad company. The money provided to the

- 1 road authority as a result of the crossing closure shall be
- 2 credited to its account representing the same road or street system
- 3 on which the crossing is located and shall be used for any
- 4 transportation purpose within that road authority's jurisdiction.
- 5 (d) For the transfer of money appropriated under section
- 6 10(1)(b) to the grade crossing surface account in the state trunk
- 7 line fund for expenditure for rail grade crossing surface
- 8 improvement purposes at rail grade crossings on public roads and
- 9 streets under the jurisdiction of counties, cities, or villages.
- 10 Projects shall be selected for funding in accordance with the
- 11 following:
- 12 (i) In prioritizing projects, the department shall consider
- 13 vehicular traffic volumes, relative crossing surface condition, the
- 14 ability of the railroad and local road authority to make
- 15 coordinated improvements, and the availability of funding.
- 16 (ii) The grade crossing surface account shall fund 60% of the
- 17 project cost, with the remaining 40% funded by the railroad
- 18 company.
- 19 (iii) Funding under the grade crossing surface account shall be
- 20 limited to items of work that are normally the responsibility of
- 21 the railroad under section 309 of the railroad code of 1993, 1993
- 22 PA 354, MCL 462.309. Maintenance of the roadway approaches to the
- 23 crossing will continue to be the responsibility of the party with
- 24 jurisdiction over that roadway.
- 25 (e) For the total operating expenses of the state trunk line
- 26 fund for each fiscal year as appropriated by the legislature.
- 27 (f) For the preservation of state trunk line highways and
- 28 bridges.
- 29 (g) For the opening, widening, improving, construction, and

- 1 reconstruction of state trunk line highways and bridges, including
- 2 the acquisition of necessary rights of way and the work incidental
- 3 to that opening, widening, improving, construction, or
- 4 reconstruction. Those sums in the state trunk line fund not
- 5 otherwise appropriated, distributed, determined, or set aside by
- 6 law shall be used for the construction or reconstruction of the
- 7 national system of interstate and defense highways, referred to in
- 8 this act as "the interstate highway system" to the extent necessary
- 9 to match federal aid money as the federal aid money becomes
- 10 available for that purpose; and, for the construction and
- 11 reconstruction of the state trunk line system.
- 12 (h) The department may enter into agreements with a local road
- 13 agency or a private sector company to perform work on a highway,
- 14 road, or street. The agreements may provide for the performance by
- 15 any of the contracting parties of any of the work contemplated by
- 16 the contract including maintenance, engineering services, and the
- 17 acquisition of rights of way in connection with the work, by
- 18 purchase or condemnation by any of the contracting parties in its
- 19 own name, and for joint participation in the costs, but only to the
- 20 extent that the contracting parties are otherwise authorized by law
- 21 to expend money on the highways, roads, or streets. The department
- 22 also may contract with a local road agency to advance money to a
- 23 local road agency to pay the costs of improving railroad grade
- 24 crossings on the terms and conditions agreed to in the contract. A
- 25 contract may be executed before or after the state transportation
- 26 commission borrows money for the purpose of advancing money to a
- 27 local road agency, but the contract shall be executed before the
- 28 advancement of any money to a local road agency by the state
- 29 transportation commission, and shall provide for the full

- 1 reimbursement of any advancement by a local road agency to the
- 2 department, with interest, within 15 years after advancement, from
- 3 any available revenue sources of the local road agency or, if
- 4 provided in the contract, by deduction from the periodic
- 5 disbursements of any money returned by the state to the local road
- 6 agency.
- 7 (i) For providing inventories of supplies and materials
- 8 required for the activities of the department. The department may
- 9 purchase supplies and materials for these purposes, with payment to
- 10 be made out of the state trunk line fund to be charged on the basis
- 11 of issues from inventory in accordance with the accounting and
- 12 purchasing laws of this state.
- 13 (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this act, the
- 14 department shall annually expend at least 90% of state revenue
- 15 appropriated annually to the state trunk line fund less the amounts
- 16 described in subdivisions (a) to (i) for the preservation of
- 17 highways, roads, streets, and bridges and for the payment of debt
- 18 service on bonds, notes, or other obligations described in
- 19 subsection (1)(a) issued after July 1, 1983, for the purpose of
- 20 providing money for the preservation of highways, roads, streets,
- 21 and bridges. Of the amounts appropriated for state trunk line
- 22 projects, the department shall, where possible, secure pavement
- 23 warranties for full replacement or appropriate repair for
- 24 contracted construction work on pavement projects whose cost
- 25 exceeds \$2,000,000.00 and projects for new construction or
- 26 reconstruction undertaken after the effective date of the 2015
- 27 amendatory act that amended this subsection. The department shall
- 28 compile and make available to the public an annual report of all
- 29 warranties that were secured under this subsection and all pavement

- 1 projects whose costs exceed \$2,000,000.00 where a warranty was not
- 2 secured—as provided in subsection (14). If an appropriate
- 3 certificate is filed under section 18e, but only to the extent
- 4 necessary, this subsection does not prohibit the use of any amount
- 5 of money restricted as to use by section 9 of article IX of the
- 6 state constitution of 1963 and deposited in the state trunk line
- 7 fund for the payment of debt service on bonds, notes, or other
- 8 obligations pledging for the payment thereof money restricted as to
- 9 use by section 9 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963
- 10 and deposited in the state trunk line fund, whenever issued, as
- 11 specified under subsection (1)(a). The amounts that are deducted
- 12 from the state trunk line fund for the purpose of the calculation
- 13 required by this subsection are as follows:
- 14 (a) Amounts expended for the purposes described in subsection
- 15 (1)(a) for the payment of debt service on bonds, notes, or other
- 16 obligations issued before July 2, 1983.
- 17 (b) Amounts expended to provide the state matching requirement
- 18 for projects on the national highway system and for the payment of
- 19 debt service on bonds, notes, or other obligations issued after
- 20 July 1, 1983, for the purpose of providing money for the state
- 21 matching requirements for projects on the national highway system.
- (c) Amounts expended for the construction of a highway,
- 23 street, road, or bridge to 1 or more of the following or for the
- 24 payment of debt service on bonds, notes, or other obligations
- 25 issued after July 1, 1983, for the purpose of providing money for
- 26 the construction of a highway, street, road, or bridge to 1 or more
- 27 of the following:
- 28 (i) A location for which a building permit has been obtained
- 29 for the construction of a manufacturing or industrial facility.

- 1 (ii) A location for which a building permit has been obtained2 for the renovation of, or addition to, a manufacturing or
- 3 industrial facility.
- 4 (d) Amounts expended for capital outlay other than for
- 5 highways, roads, streets, and bridges or to pay debt service on
- 6 bonds, notes, or other obligations issued after July 1, 1983, for
- 7 the purpose of providing money for capital outlay other than for
- 8 highways, roads, streets, and bridges.
- 9 (e) Amounts expended for the operating expenses of the
- 10 department other than the units of the department performing the
- 11 functions assigned on January 1, 1983 to the bureau of highways.
- 12 (f) Amounts expended pursuant to contracts entered into before
- **13** January 1, 1983.
- 14 (q) Amounts expended for the purposes described in subsection
- **15** (5).
- 16 (h) Amounts appropriated for deposit in the transportation
- 17 economic development fund and the rail grade crossing account
- 18 pursuant to section 10(1)(a) and (h).
- 19 (i) Upon the affirmative recommendation of the director of the
- 20 department and the approval by resolution of the state
- 21 transportation commission, those amounts expended for projects
- 22 vital to the economy of this state, a region, or local area or the
- 23 safety of the public. The resolution shall state the cost of the
- 24 project exempted from this subsection.
- 25 (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of this act, the
- 26 department shall expend annually at least 90% of the federal
- 27 revenue distributed to the credit of the state trunk line fund in
- 28 that year, except for federal revenue expended for the purposes
- 29 described in subsection (2)(b), (c), (f), and (i) and for the

- 1 payment of notes issued under section 18b(9) on the preservation of
- 2 highways, roads, streets, and bridges. The requirement of this
- 3 subsection is waived if compliance would cause this state to be
- 4 ineligible according to federal law for federal revenue, but only
- 5 to the extent necessary to make this state eligible according to
- 6 federal law for that revenue.
- 7 (4) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the
- 8 department may loan money to a local road agency for paying capital
- 9 costs of transportation purposes described in the second paragraph
- 10 of section 9 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963 from
- 11 the proceeds of bonds or notes issued pursuant to section 18b or
- 12 from the state trunk line fund. Loans made directly from the state
- 13 trunk line fund shall be made only after provision of money for the
- 14 purposes specified in subsection (1)(a) to (f). Loans described in
- 15 this subsection are not subject to the revised municipal finance
- 16 act, 2001 PA 34, MCL 141.2101 to 141.2821.
- 17 (5) A local road agency may borrow money from the proceeds of
- 18 bonds or notes issued under section 18b or the state trunk line
- 19 fund for the purposes set forth in subsection (4) that shall be
- 20 repayable, with interest, from 1 or more of the following:
- 21 (a) The money to be received by the local road agency from the
- 22 Michigan transportation fund, except to the extent the money has
- 23 been or may in the future be pledged by contract in accordance with
- 24 1941 PA 205, MCL 252.51 to 252.64, or has been or may in the future
- 25 be pledged for the payment of the principal and interest upon notes
- 26 issued under 1943 PA 143, MCL 141.251 to 141.254, or has been or
- 27 may in the future be pledged for the payment of principal and
- 28 interest upon bonds issued under section 18c or 18d, or has been or
- 29 may in the future be pledged for the payment of the principal and

- 1 interest upon bonds issued under 1952 PA 175, MCL 247.701 to
- 2 247.707.
- 3 (b) Any other legally available money of the local road
- 4 agency, other than the general funds of the county.
- 5 (6) If required by the department, loans made under subsection
- **6** (4) are payable by deduction by the state treasurer, upon direction
- 7 of the department, from the periodic disbursements of any money
- 8 returned by this state under this act to the local road agency, but
- 9 only after sufficient money has been returned to the local road
- 10 agency to provide for the payment of contractual obligations
- 11 incurred or to be incurred and principal and interest on notes and
- 12 bonds issued or to be issued under 1941 PA 205, MCL 252.51 to
- 13 252.64, 1943 PA 143, MCL 141.251 to 141.254, 1952 PA 175, MCL
- 14 247.701 to 247.707, or section 18c or 18d. The interest rates and
- 15 payment schedules of any loans made from the proceeds of bonds or
- 16 notes issued pursuant to section 18b shall be established by the
- 17 department to conform as closely as practicable to the interest
- 18 rate and repayment schedules on the bonds or notes issued to make
- 19 the loans. However, the department may allow for the deferral of
- 20 the first payment of interest or principal on the loans for a
- 21 period of not to exceed 1 year after the respective first payment
- 22 of interest or principal on the bonds or notes issued to make the
- 23 loans.
- 24 (7) The amount borrowed by a local road agency under
- 25 subsection (5) shall not be included in, or charged against, any
- 26 constitutional, statutory, or charter debt limitation of the
- 27 county, city, or village and shall not be included in the
- 28 determination of the maximum annual principal and interest
- 29 requirements of, or the limitations upon, the maximum annual

- 1 principal and interest incurred under 1941 PA 205, MCL 252.51 to
- 2 252.64, 1943 PA 143, MCL 141.251 to 141.254, 1952 PA 175, MCL
- **3** 247.701 to 247.707, or section 18c or 18d.
- 4 (8) The local road agency is not required to seek or obtain
- 5 the approval of the electors, the municipal finance commission or
- 6 its successor agency, or, except as provided in this subsection,
- 7 the department of treasury to borrow money under subsection (5).
- 8 The borrowing is not subject to the revised municipal finance act,
- **9** 2001 PA 34, MCL 141.2101 to 141.2821, or to section $\frac{5(q)}{5(1)}(q)$ of
- 10 the home rule city act, 1909 PA 279, MCL 117.5. The department
- 11 shall give at least 10 days' notice to the state treasurer of its
- 12 intention to make a loan under subsection (4). If the state
- 13 treasurer gives notice to the director of the department within 10
- 14 days of receiving the notice from the department, that, based upon
- 15 the then existing financial or credit situation of the local road
- 16 agency, it would not be in the best interests of this state to make
- 17 a loan under subsection (4) to the local road agency, the loan
- 18 shall not be made unless the state treasurer, after a hearing, if
- 19 requested by the affected local road agency, subsequently gives
- 20 notice to the director of the department that the loan may be made
- 21 on the conditions that the state treasurer specifies.
- 22 (9) The state transportation commission may borrow money and
- 23 issue bonds and notes under section 18b to make loans to a local
- 24 road agency for the purposes described in the second paragraph of
- 25 section 9 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963, as
- 26 provided in subsection (4). A single issue of bonds or notes may be
- 27 issued for the purposes specified in subsection (4) and for the
- 28 other purposes specified in section 18b. The house and senate
- 29 transportation appropriations subcommittees shall be notified by

- 1 the department if there are extras and overruns sufficient to
 2 require approval of either the state administrative board or the
 3 commission, or both, on any contract between the department and a
- 4 local road agency or a private business.
- 5 (10) The director of the department, after consultation with 6 representatives of the interests of local road agencies, shall 7 establish, by intergovernmental communication, procedures for the 8 implementation and administration of the loan program established 9 under subsections (4) to (9).
- 10 (11) Not more than 8% per year of all of the money received by 11 and returned to the department from any source for the purposes of 12 this section may be expended for administrative expenses. The 13 department shall be subject to section 14(5) if more than 8% per 14 year is expended for administrative expenses. As used in this 15 subsection, "administrative expenses" means expenses that are not 16 assigned including, but not limited to, specific road construction 17 or preservation projects and are often referred to as general or 18 supportive services. Administrative expenses do not include net 19 equipment expense, net capital outlay, debt service principal and 20 interest, and payments to other state or local offices that are 21 assigned, but not limited to, specific road construction projects or preservation activities. 22
 - (12) Any performance audits of the department shall be conducted according to government auditing standards issued by the United States General Accounting Office.
- 26 (13) Contracts entered into to advance money to a local road 27 agency under subsection (1)(g) are not subject to the revised 28 municipal finance act, 2001 PA 34, MCL 141.2101 to 141.2821.
- 29 (14) The department shall prepare on an annual basis a report

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- 1 listing all warranties that were secured under subsection (2) and
- 2 indicate whether any of those warranties were redeemed and all
- 3 pavement projects whose costs exceed \$2,000,000.00 for which a
- 4 warranty was not secured as described in subsection (2). The
- 5 department shall make the report required by this subsection
- 6 available to the public upon request and shall also post the report
- 7 on its website, which shall include, but is not limited to, all of
- 8 the following information:
- **9** (a) The type of project.
- 10 (b) The cost or estimated cost of the project.
- 11 (c) The expected lifespan of the project.
- 12 (d) Whether or not the project met or is currently meeting its
- 13 expected lifespan.
- 14 (e) If the project failed to meet or is not meeting its
- 15 expected lifespan, the cause of the failure and the cost to replace
- 16 or repair the project.
- 17 (f) The entity responsible for paying the cost of replacing or
- 18 repairing the project.
- 19 (15) As used in this section:
- 20 (a) "Local road agency" means that term as defined in section
- **21** 9a.
- (b) "Rail grade crossing improvement purposes" means 1 or more
- 23 of the following:
- 24 (i) The installation and modernization of active and passive
- 25 warning devices at railroad grade crossings.
- **26** (*ii*) The installation or improvement of grade crossing
- 27 surfaces.
- 28 (iii) Modification, relocation, or modernization of railroad
- 29 grade crossing active and passive warning devices necessitated by

- 1 roadway improvement projects.
- $\mathbf{2}$ (*iv*) Test installations of innovative warning devices or other innovative applications.
- $\mathbf{4}$ (v) Construction of new grade separations.
- (vi) A cash incentive payment made pursuant to subsection
 (1) (c) (iv) for any public road or street crossing, in an amount no
 greater than the cost of installing flashing light signals and half
 roadway gates at the crossing.
- 9 (vii) Any other work that would be eligible for funding under 10 the federal railroad-highway grade crossing improvement program or 11 other comparable programs.
 - (16) Each year, on appropriation, the department shall spend an amount equal to 0.0025% of the amount in the Michigan transportation fund on the maintenance and construction of state trunk line highway rest areas.
 - Sec. 11h. (1) The local agency wetland mitigation board fund is established in the state treasury as a separate fund. The state treasurer may receive money or other assets from any source for deposit into the fund. The state treasurer shall direct the investment of the fund. The state treasurer shall credit to the fund interest and earnings from fund investments.
- 22 (2) The money appropriated to the local agency wetland
 23 mitigation board fund and the interest accruing to that fund must
 24 be expended for the local agency wetland mitigation board program.
 25 The balance of the fund must not exceed \$8,000,000.00 at the
 26 beginning of a fiscal year, less the amount of funds that have been
 27 obligated but not yet expended. The money in the local agency
 28 wetland mitigation board fund is not subject to section $\frac{12(15)}{12}$.
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1	(3) The local agency wetland mitigation bank advisory board is
2	dissolved. created and shall consist of the following 9 members:
3	(a) One voting member appointed by the County Road Association
4	of Michigan from a county with a population greater than 400,000.
5	(b) One voting member appointed by the County Road Association
6	of Michigan from a county with a population greater than 65,000 but
7	no more than 400,000.
8	(c) One voting member appointed by the County Road Association
9	of Michigan from a county with a population of less than 65,000.
10	(d) One voting member who shall be an engineer appointed
11	jointly by the County Road Association of Michigan and the Michigan
12	Municipal League.
13	(e) One voting member appointed by the Michigan Municipal
14	League from a city with a population of more than 70,000.
15	(f) One voting member appointed by the Michigan Municipal
16	League from a city with a population of 70,000 or less.
17	(g) One voting member appointed by the Michigan Municipal
18	League from a village.
19	(h) Two nonvoting members appointed by the department and the
20	department of environment, Great Lakes, and energy.
21	(4) Beginning on March 27, 2019, the The local agency wetland
22	mitigation advisory board is created and shall consist of the
23	following 7 members:
24	(a) Four voting members from road agencies appointed jointly
25	by the County Road Association of Michigan and the Michigan
26	Municipal League.
27	(b) One voting member who shall be is an engineer, appointed
28	jointly by the County Road Association of Michigan and the Michigan

Municipal League.

- (c) Two nonvoting members appointed by the department and the
 department of environment, Great Lakes, and energy.
- 3 (5) The members first appointed to the local agency wetland
 4 mitigation bank advisory board under subsection (3) shall be
 5 appointed no later than October 1, 2015. The members first
 6 appointed to the local agency wetland mitigation advisory board
 7 under subsection (4) shall be appointed no later than April 1,
 8 2019.
- 9 (6) Members of the board shall serve for terms of 2 years or10 until a successor is appointed, whichever is later.
 - (7) If a vacancy occurs on the board, the person that appointed the vacating member shall make an appointment for the unexpired term in the same manner as the original appointment.
- 14 (8) A member of the board may be removed for incompetence,
 15 dereliction of duty, malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasance in
 16 office, or any other good cause.
 - (9) The first meeting of the board must be called by the member appointed by the department under subsection (4)(c). At the first meeting, the board shall elect from among its voting members a chairperson and other officers as it considers necessary or appropriate. After the first meeting, the board shall meet at least quarterly.
 - (10) A majority of the voting members of the board constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at a meeting of the board. A majority of the members present and serving are required for official action of the board.
- 27 (11) A board member shall serve without compensation, but may 28 receive reimbursement for necessary travel and expenses consistent 29 with applicable law and rules and procedures of the civil service

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- 1 commission and department of technology, management, and budget or
- 2 local road agency policies, subject to available funding. The board
- 3 may employ a part-time or full-time manager or engineer or contract
- 4 with a person or firm to perform professional, technical, or
- 5 administrative assistance or legal counsel. The board shall
- 6 determine the duties of a person or firm employed under this
- 7 subsection, and shall require the manager and the board to retain
- 8 insurances.
- 9 (12) The business that the board may perform must be conducted
- 10 at a public meeting of the board held in compliance with the open
- 11 meetings act, 1976 PA 267, MCL 15.261 to 15.275.
- 12 (13) A writing prepared, owned, used, in the possession of, or
- 13 retained by the board in the performance of an official function is
- 14 subject to the freedom of information act, 1976 PA 442, MCL 15.231
- **15** to 15.246.
- 16 (14) The 2 nonvoting members of the board, the department, and
- 17 the department of environment, Great Lakes, and energy shall
- 18 provide qualified administrative staff and qualified technical
- 19 assistance to the board as necessary.
- 20 (15) The local agency wetland mitigation program must provide
- 21 funds to local road agencies for 1 or more of the following:
- 22 (a) Complete engineering and design for a wetland mitigation
- **23** site.
- 24 (b) Purchase of land for a wetland mitigation site.
- (c) Construction of a wetland mitigation site.
- 26 (d) Monitoring and maintenance necessary to ensure that the
- 27 performance standards are or will be met.
- (e) Obtaining conservation easements in perpetuity and
- 29 maintenance of endowment funds to manage wetland mitigation sites.

- (f) Funding for a wetland mitigation site established before
 September 22, 2016.
- 3 (g) Purchasing wetland mitigation bank credits from an
 4 established wetland mitigation bank approved by the department of
 5 environment, Great Lakes, and energy to meet a local agency's
 6 wetland mitigation permit requirements.
- 7 (16) Not more than 20% of a wetland mitigation site may be
 8 sold to the private sector, and any revenues generated from that
 9 sale must be deposited into the local agency wetland program fund.
- 10 (17) The board may approve the use of local agency wetland
 11 mitigation funds for other activities needed to establish a wetland
 12 mitigation site, a pre-mitigation wetland area or wetland
 13 preservation site, or other mitigation as permitted by law on a
 14 demonstrated need by a local road agency.
- 15 (18) An application for funds from the local agency wetland
 16 mitigation program must be made on a form approved by the board and
 17 must contain the information required by the board. An application
 18 for funds under this section may be made at any time determined by
 19 the board.
- 20 (19) The board shall establish a review process for considering funding applications under this section. No later than 21 180 days after receiving a funding application under this section, 22 23 the board shall notify the applicant in writing whether the 24 application is approved or rejected. If the board fails to notify 25 an applicant in writing whether an application is approved or rejected within 180 days after receiving the funding application, 26 27 the application is approved. Prior to releasing local agency 28 wetland mitigation program funds, the board shall enter into an 29 agreement with the funding recipient.

- (20) For each year in which the board receives fundingapplications, the board shall report by October 1 to the standing
- 3 committees of the senate and the house of representatives with
- 4 primary jurisdiction over issues pertaining to transportation and
- 5 natural resources and the environment and to the senate and house
- 6 of representatives appropriations committees on the utilization of
- 7 funds from the local agency wetland mitigation board fund. The
- 8 report must include, at a minimum, all of the following:
- 9 (a) The number of funding applications received under this10 section.
- (b) The name of each local road agency applying for funding,and whether each application was approved or denied.
- (c) The amount of local match for each award under thissection.
- 15 (d) The individual and annual cumulative amount of funds
 16 awarded, including an identification of the purpose of all funds
 17 awarded.
- 18 (21) Beginning on April 2, 2019, the local agency wetland
 19 mitigation bank advisory board created in subsection (3) is
 20 dissolved.
- Sec. 12. (1) The amount distributed to the county road commissions must 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.
- 28 (2) Each county road commission shall be reimbursed in an
 29 amount up to \$10,000.00 per year for the sum paid to a licensed

- professional engineer employed or retained by the county road
 commission in the previous year. The sum must be returned to each
 county road commission certified by the department as complying
 with this subsection regarding the employment of an engineer.
 - (3) An amount equal to 1% of the total amount returned to the county road commissions from the Michigan transportation fund during the prior calendar year must be withheld annually from the counties' November monthly distribution provided for in section 17, and the amount must be returned to the county road commissions for snow removal purposes as provided in section 12a.
 - (4) An amount equal to 10% of the total amount returned to the county road commissions from the Michigan transportation fund must be returned to each county road commission having county primary, or county local road, or both, mileage in the urban areas as determined under section 12b. This sum must be distributed as provided in section 12b. The return must be in addition to the amounts provided in subsections (6) and (7) and for the purposes stated in those subsections.
 - (5) An amount equal to 4% of the total amount returned to the county road commissions from the Michigan transportation fund must be returned to the county road commissions in the same percentages under subsection (7). All money returned to the county road commissions under this subsection must be expended by the county road commissions for the preservation, construction, acquisition, and extension of county local road systems and is in addition to the amounts provided in subsection (7).
 - (6) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (23), 75% of the remainder of the total amount to be returned to the counties must be expended by each county road commission for the

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1 preservation, construction, acquisition, and extension of the 2 county primary road system, including the acquisition of a necessary right of way for the system, work incidental to the 3 4 system, and a roadside park or motor parkway appurtenant to the 5 system, and must be returned to the counties as follows: 6 (a) Three-fourths of the amount in proportion to the amount 7 received within the respective county during the 12 months next 8 preceding the date of each monthly distribution, as specific taxes 9 upon registered motor vehicles under the Michigan vehicle code, 10 1949 PA 300, MCL 257.1 to 257.923. 11 (b) One-tenth of the amount in the same proportion that the 12 total mileage in the county primary road system of each county bears to the total mileage in all of the county primary road 13 14 systems of this state. 15 (c) One eighty third of the remaining 15% of the amount to 16 each county. 17 (7) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (23), the balance of the remainder of the total amount to be returned to 18 19 counties must be expended by each county road commission for the 20 preservation, construction, acquisition, and extension of the 21 county local road system as defined by this act, including the acquisition of a necessary right of way for the system, work 22 23 incidental to the system, and a roadside park or motor parkway 24 appurtenant to the system, and must be returned to the counties as 25 follows: 26 (a) Sixty-five percent of the amount in the same proportion 27 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 28

systems of this state.

- that the total population outside of incorporated municipalities in each county bears to the total population outside of incorporated for incorporated municipalities in all of the counties of this state, according to the most recent statewide federal census as certified at the beginning of the state fiscal year.
 - (4) The remainder of the amount returned to the county road commissions from the Michigan transportation fund must be returned to each county road commission using a formula that the department shall develop based on all of the following factors:
 - (a) 25% based on average daily commercial truck traffic.
- 12 (b) 5% based on average daily traffic.
- 13 (c) 20% based on lane miles. For the purposes of this
 14 subdivision, a shoulder wider than 6 feet must be counted as 1/3 of
 15 a lane.
- 16 (d) 20% based on population.
- 17 (e) 10% based on regional climate considerations. For the
 18 purposes of this subdivision, the department shall divide the state
 19 into 5 climate regions based on freeze thaw cycle data from the
 20 average of the previous 3 years.
- 21 (f) 5% based on regional variable construction costs, based on 22 the cost of labor and materials involved in road construction 23 within regional prosperity zones.
 - (g) 10% based on subbase geology and drainage requirements for local soil. For the purposes of this subdivision, the department shall develop a map by county based on the county's most prevalent subbase soil type.
- 28 (h) 5% based on the size of bridges and culverts as determined 29 by the Michigan structure inventory and appraisal database with

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(5) (8) Money deposited in, or becoming a part of the county

- 1 1/10 of that amount allocated to the critical bridge program in the county.
- 4 road funds of a board of county road commissioners must be expended
 5 first for the payment of principal and interest on the bonds, for
- **6** the payment of contractual contributions pledged for the payment of
- 7 bonds, for debt service requirements for the payment of contractual
- 8 contributions pledged for the payment of bonds, and for debt
- 9 service requirements for the payment of notes and loans in the
- 10 following order of priority:
- 11 (a) For the payment of contributions required to be made by a
- 12 board of county road commissioners under a contract entered into
- 13 under 1941 PA 205, MCL 252.51 to 252.64, that have been pledged for
- 14 the payment of the principal and interest on bonds issued under
- 15 that act, or for the payment of total debt service requirements
- 16 upon notes issued by a board of county road commissioners under
- 17 1943 PA 143, MCL 141.251 to 141.254.
- 18 (b) For the payment of principal and interest on bonds issued
- 19 under section 18c, and the payment of contributions of a board of
- 20 county road commissioners made under contracts entered into under
- 21 section 18d that are pledged to the payment of principal and
- 22 interest on bonds issued after June 30, 1957, under the
- 23 authorization of section 18c and contracts executed under section
- **24** 18c.

- 25 (c) For the payment of principal and interest upon loans
- 26 received under section 11(5), to the extent other funds have not
- 27 been made available for that payment.
- 28 (6) (9) Beginning November 1, 2008, no more than 50% per year
- 29 of the amount returned to a county for use on the county primary

county local road system of that county. Except as otherwise
provided in this subsection, beginning September 30, 2010, no No
more than 30% per year of the amount returned to a county for use
on the county primary road system may be expended, with or without
matching, on the county local road system of that county. An

road system may be expended, with or without matching, on the

- 7 additional amount, not to exceed 20% per year of the amount
- 8 returned to a county for use on the county primary road system, may
- 9 be expended on the county local road system of that county if there
- 10 is an emergency or if the county road commission determines that an
- 11 additional 20% may be expended on the county local road system. The
- 12 county road commission may attach any conditions to its
- 13 determination if the determination is for nonemergency purposes,
- 14 including, but not limited to, a requirement that the additional
- 15 20% expended on the county local road system only be used to
- 16 supplement money from other sources. No more than 15% per year of
- 17 the amount returned to a county for expenditure on the county local
- 18 road system may be used, with or without matching, on the county
- 19 primary road system of that county, and not to exceed an additional
- 20 15% per year of the amount returned to a county for expenditure on
- 21 the county local road system, may, in case of an emergency or with
- 22 the approval of the county road commission, be expended, with or
- 23 without matching, on the county primary road system of that county.
- 24 An amount returned to a county for and on account of county local
- 25 roads under this section that is in excess of the total amount paid
- 26 into the county treasury each year by all of the townships of that
- 27 county for and on account of the county local roads under section
- 28 14(6) may be transferred to and expended on the county primary road
- 29 system of that county.

- (7) $\frac{(10)}{(10)}$ Not less than 20% per year of the money returned to a county by this section must be expended for snow and ice removal, the reconstruction of an existing highway if not in conflict with its asset management plan as provided in section 9a, and the acquisition of a necessary right of way for those highways, and work incidental to those highways, or for the servicing of bonds issued by the county for these purposes. A county may expend surplus money for the development, construction, or repair of an off-street parking facility.
 - (8) (11) Not more than 5% per year of the money returned to a county for the county road system must be expended for the maintenance, improvement, or acquisition of appurtenant roadside parks and motor parkways.
 - (9) (12) Money returned to a county must be expended by the county road commission for the purposes provided in this section and must be deposited by the county treasurer in a designated county depository, in a separate account to the credit of the county road fund, and must be paid out only on the order of the county road commission. , and interest Interest accruing on the money must become a part of, and be deposited with the county road fund.
 - (10) (13)—In a county to which money is returned under this section, the function of the county road commission is limited to the formation of policy and the performance of the official duties imposed by law and delegated by the county board of commissioners. A member of the county road commission shall not be employed individually in any other capacity for other duties with the county road commission.
- 29 (11) (14)—A county road commission may enter into an agreement

- 1 with a county road commission of another county, with a city or
- 2 village, or with the department, to perform work on a highway,
- 3 road, or street within the limits of that county or of another
- 4 county. The agreement may provide for the performance by each
- 5 contracting party of the work contemplated by the contract
- 6 including engineering services and the acquisition of rights of way
- 7 in connection with the work contemplated, by purchase or
- 8 condemnation, by any of the contracting parties in its own name.
- 9 and the The agreement may provide for joint participation in the
 10 costs.
- 11 (12) (15) Money distributed from the Michigan transportation
- 12 fund may be expended for construction purposes on county local
- 13 roads only to the extent matched by money from other sources.
- 14 However, Michigan transportation funds may be expended for the
- 15 construction of bridges on the county local roads in an amount not
- 16 to exceed 75% of the cost of the construction of local road
- 17 bridges. The match may exceed 75% of the cost of construction in
- 18 the case of a public emergency.
- 19 (13) (16) Notwithstanding any other provision of this act, at
- 20 least 90% of the state revenue returned annually to the county road
- 21 commission from the Michigan transportation fund less the amounts
- 22 described in subdivisions (a) to (e) must be expended annually by
- 23 the county road commission for the preservation of highways, roads,
- 24 streets, and bridges, and for the payment of contractual
- 25 contributions pledged for the payment of bonds or portions of
- 26 bonds, debt service requirements for the payment of bonds or
- 27 portions of bonds, and debt service requirements for the payment of
- 28 notes and loans or portions of notes and loans issued or received
- 29 after July 1, 1983, for the purpose of providing money for the

- 1 preservation of highways, roads, streets, and bridges. If an
- 2 appropriate certificate is filed under subsection $\frac{(18)}{(15)}$, but
- 3 only to the extent necessary, this subsection does not prohibit the
- 4 use of any amount of state revenue returned annually to the county
- 5 road commissions for the payment of contractual contributions
- 6 pledged for the payment of bonds, for debt service requirements for
- 7 the payment of bonds, and for debt service requirements for the
- 8 payment of notes or loans, whenever issued or received, as
- 9 specified under subsection $\frac{(8)}{.}$ (5). The amounts that are deducted
- 10 from the state revenue returned to a county road commission from
- 11 the Michigan transportation fund, for the purpose of the
- 12 calculation required by this subsection, are as follows:
- 13 (a) Amounts expended for the purposes described in subsection
- 14 $\frac{(8)}{(5)}$ for bonds, notes, loans, or other obligations issued or
- 15 received before July 2, 1983.
- 16 (b) Amounts expended for the administrative costs of the
- 17 county road commission.
- 18 (c) Amounts expended for capital outlay projects for equipment
- 19 and buildings, and for the payment of contractual contributions
- 20 pledged for the payment of bonds, for debt service requirements for
- 21 the payment of bonds, and for debt service requirements for the
- 22 payment of notes and loans issued or received after July 1, 1983,
- 23 for the purpose of providing funds for capital outlay projects for
- 24 equipment and buildings.
- 25 (d) Amounts expended for projects vital to the economy of the
- 26 local area or the safety of the public in the local area. Before
- 27 these amounts can be deducted, the governing body over the county
- 28 road commission or the county road commission, as applicable, must
- 29 pass a resolution approving these projects. This resolution must

- 1 state the projects that will be funded and the cost of each
- 2 project. A copy of each approved resolution must be forwarded
- 3 immediately to the department.
- 4 (e) Amounts expended in urban areas as determined under
- 5 section 12b.
- 6 (14) (17) Notwithstanding any other provision of this act,
- 7 except as provided in this subsection, a county road commission
- 8 shall annually expend at least 90% of the federal revenue
- 9 distributed to the county road commission for highways, roads,
- 10 streets, and bridges, less the amount expended on urban routes for
- 11 purposes other than preservation and the amount expended for hard-
- 12 surfacing of gravel roads on the federal-aid system, on the
- 13 preservation of highways, roads, streets, and bridges. A county
- 14 road commission may expend in 1 year less than 90% of the federal
- 15 revenue distributed to the county road commission for highways,
- 16 roads, streets, and bridges, less the amount expended on urban
- 17 routes for purposes other than preservation and the amount expended
- 18 for hard-surfacing of gravel roads on the federal-aid system, on
- 19 the preservation of highways, roads, streets, and bridges, if that
- 20 year is part of a 3-year period in which at least 90% of the total
- 21 federal revenue distributed in the 3-year period to the county road
- 22 commission for highways, roads, streets, and bridges, less the
- 23 amount expended on urban routes for purposes other than
- 24 preservation purposes and the amount expended for hard-surfacing of
- 25 gravel roads on the federal-aid system, is expended on the
- 26 preservation of highways, roads, streets, and bridges. If a county
- 27 road commission expends in 1 year less than 90% of the federal
- 28 revenue distributed to the county road commission for highways,
- 29 roads, streets, and bridges, less the amount expended on urban

routes for purposes other than preservation and the amount expended 1 for hard-surfacing of gravel roads on the federal-aid system, on 2 the preservation of highways, roads, streets, and bridges and that 3 year is not a part of a 3-year period in which at least 90% of the 4 5 total federal revenue distributed in the 3-year period to the 6 county road commission for highways, roads, streets, and bridges, 7 less the amount expended on urban routes for purposes other than 8 preservation and the amount expended for hard-surfacing of gravel 9 roads on the federal-aid system, is expended on the preservation of 10 highways, roads, streets, and bridges, the county road commission 11 shall expend in each year subsequent to the 3-year period 100%, or 12 less in 1 year if sufficient for the purposes of this subsection, 13 of the federal revenue distributed to the county road commission 14 for highways, roads, streets, and bridges, less the amount expended 15 on urban routes for purposes other than preservation and the amount 16 expended for hard-surfacing of gravel roads on the federal-aid 17 system, on the preservation of highways, roads, streets, and 18 bridges until the average percentage spent on the preservation of highways, roads, streets, and bridges in the 3-year period and the 19 20 subsequent years, less the amount expended on urban routes for purposes other than preservation and the amount expended for hard-21 surfacing of gravel roads on the federal-aid system, is at least 22 23 90%. A year may be included in only one 3-year period for the 24 purposes of this subsection. The requirements of this subsection 25 are waived if compliance would cause the county road commission to be ineligible for federal revenue under federal law, but only to 26 27 the extent necessary to make the county road commission eligible for that revenue under federal law. For the purpose of the 28 29 calculations required by this subsection, the amount expended on

- 1 urban routes by a county road commission for purposes other than
- 2 preservation and the amount expended for hard-surfacing of gravel
- 3 roads on the federal-aid system must be deducted from the total
- 4 federal revenue distributed to the use of the county road
- 5 commission. As used in this subsection, "urban routes" means those
- 6 portions of 2-lane county primary roads within an urban area that
- 7 have average daily traffic in excess of 15,000.
- 8 (15) (18) A county road commission shall certify to the
- 9 department on or before the issuance of any bonds or notes issued
- 10 after July 1, 1983, under 1943 PA 143, MCL 141.251 to 141.254, 1941
- 11 PA 205, MCL 252.51 to 252.64, or section 18c or 18d, for purposes
- 12 other than the preservation of highways, roads, streets, and
- 13 bridges and purposes other than the purposes specified in
- 14 subsection (16)(c) (13)(c) that its average annual debt service
- 15 requirements for all such bonds and notes or portions of such bonds
- 16 and notes, issued after July 1, 1983, for purposes other than the
- 17 preservation of highways, roads, streets, and bridges and other
- 18 than for the purposes specified in subsection (16)(c), including
- 19 the bond or note to be issued, does not exceed 10% of the money
- 20 returned to the county road commission under this act, less the
- 21 amounts specified in subsection $\frac{(16)(a)}{(13)(a)}$, (b), and (c)
- 22 during the last completed fiscal year of the county road
- 23 commission. If the purpose for which the bonds or notes are issued
- 24 is changed after the issuance of the notes or bonds, the change
- 25 must be made in a manner that maintains compliance with the
- 26 certification required by this subsection, as of the date the
- 27 certificate was originally issued, but the change does not
- 28 invalidate or otherwise affect the bonds or notes with respect to
- 29 which the certificate was issued or the obligation to pay debt

- service on the bonds or notes. A certification under this
 subsection is conclusive as to the matters stated in the
 certification for purposes of the validity of bonds and notes.
- (16) (19) In each charter county to which funds are returned under this section, the responsibility for road improvement, preservation, and traffic operation work, and the development, construction, or repair of off-road parking facilities and construction or repair of road lighting must be coordinated by a single administrator designated by the county executive who is responsible for and represents the charter county in transactions with the department under this act.
 - (17) (20)—Not more than 10% per year of all of the money received by and returned to a county from any source for the purposes of this section may be expended for administrative expenses. A county that expends more than 10% for administrative expenses in a year is subject to section 14(5) unless a waiver is granted by the department of treasury. As used in this subsection, "administrative expenses" means expenses that are not assigned including, but not limited to, specific road construction or preservation projects and are often referred to as general or supportive services. Administrative expenses do not include net equipment expense, net capital outlay, debt service principal and interest, and payments to other state or local offices that are assigned, but not limited to, specific road construction projects or preservation activities.
 - (18) (21) In addition to the financial compliance audits required by law, the department may conduct performance audits and make investigations of the disposition of all state money received by county road commissions, county boards of commissioners, or any

other county governmental agency acting as the county road 1 authority, for transportation purposes to determine compliance with 2 the terms and conditions of this act. Performance audits must be 3 conducted according to government auditing standards issued by the 4 5 United States General Accounting Office. The department shall 6 develop performance audit procedures and reporting requirements 7 sufficient to determine whether money expended under this section 8 was expended in compliance with this act. by September 1, 2012 and 9 shall report to the transportation committees of the senate and 10 house of representatives no later than October 1, 2012 on the 11 additional audit procedures and reporting requirements. The 12 department shall provide notice to the county road commission, county board of commissioners, or any other county governmental 13 14 agency acting as the county road authority, as applicable, of the 15 standards to be used for audits performed under this subsection. 16 The notice must be provided 6 months before the fiscal year in 17 which the audit is conducted. The department shall notify the 18 county road commission, county board of commissioners, or any other 19 county governmental agency acting as the county road authority of 20 any subsequent changes to the standards. County road commissions, 21 county boards of commissioners, or any other county governmental agencies acting as county road authorities, as applicable, shall 22 23 make available to the department the pertinent records for the 24 audit. Performance audits may be performed at the discretion of the 25 department or on receiving a request from the speaker of the house 26 of representatives or the senate majority leader. 27 (19) (22)—Of the amounts appropriated for a county primary or 28 local road system under this section, where possible, a county road

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commission shall secure pavement warranties for full replacement or

- 1 appropriate repair for contracted construction work on pavement
- 2 projects whose cost exceeds \$2,000,000.00 and projects for new
- 3 construction or reconstruction undertaken after April 1, 2016, if
- 4 allowed by the Federal Highway Administration and the department. A
- 5 county road commission shall submit a proposed warranty program to
- 6 the department for approval no later than April 1, 2016. If a
- 7 proposed warranty program submitted under this subsection is
- 8 approved by the department, the county road commission shall
- 9 implement the program no later than 1 year after the approval. A
- 10 county road commission shall include a list of all warranties that
- 11 were secured under this subsection and indicate whether any of
- 12 those warranties were redeemed with in the report required under
- 13 section 14(3), and shall also list all pavement projects whose cost
- 14 exceeds \$2,000,000.00 for which a warranty was not secured. The
- 15 list must include, but is not limited to, all of the following
- 16 information:
- 17 (a) The type of project.
- 18 (b) The cost or estimated cost of the project.
- 19 (c) The expected lifespan of the project.
- 20 (d) Whether or not the project met or is currently meeting its
- 21 expected lifespan.
- 22 (e) If the project failed to meet or is not meeting its
- 23 expected lifespan, the cause of the failure and the cost to replace
- 24 or repair the project.
- 25 (f) The entity responsible for paying the cost of replacing or
- 26 repairing the project.
- 27 (20) $\frac{(23)}{(23)}$ Once the asset management plan for a county as
- 28 described in section 9a has been approved, amounts distributed to a
- 29 county under this section must be expended toward attainment of the

- 1 condition goals in the asset management plan and as otherwise
 2 required by this act.
- 3 (21) (24) A county road commission may use a portion of the
 4 amount returned to the county under this section for the payment of
 5 debt service on bonds, notes, or other obligations.
- 6 Sec. 13. (1) The amount distributed to cities and villages 7 must be returned to the treasurers of the cities and villages in 8 the manner, for the purposes, and under the terms and conditions 9 specified in this section. The amount received by a newly 10 incorporated municipality must be in place of any other direct 11 distribution of money from the Michigan transportation fund. The 12 population of a newly incorporated municipality as determined under 13 this section must be added to the total population of all 14 incorporated cities and villages in this state in computing the 15 amounts to be returned under this section to each municipality in 16 the state. Major street mileage, local street mileage, and
- equivalent major mileage, if applicable, must be determined by the department before the next month for which distribution is made following the effective date of incorporation of a newly
 - (2) From the amount available for distribution to cities and villages during each December, an amount equal to 0.7% of the total amount returned to all cities and villages under subsections (3) and (4) during the previous calendar year must be withheld. The amount withheld must be used to partially reimburse cities and villages located in counties that are eligible for snow removal funds under section 12a and that have costs for winter maintenance on major and local streets that are greater than the statewide average. The distributions must be made annually during February

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and must be calculated separately for the major and local street 1 systems but may be paid in a combined warrant. The distribution to 2 a city or village must be equal to 1/2 of its winter maintenance 3 expenditures after deducting the product of its total earnings 4 5 under subsections (3) and (4) multiplied by 2 times the average 6 municipal winter maintenance factor. Winter maintenance 7 expenditures must be determined from the street financial reports 8 for the most current fiscal years ending before July 1. A city or 9 village that does not submit a street financial report for the 10 fiscal year ending before July 1 by the subsequent December 31 is 11 ineligible for the winter maintenance payment that is to be based 12 on that street financial report. The department shall determine the 13 average municipal winter maintenance factor annually by dividing 14 the total expenditures of all cities and villages on winter 15 maintenance of streets and highways by the total amount earned by 16 all cities and villages under subsections (3) and (4) during the 12 17 months. If the sum of the distributions to be made under this subsection exceeds the amount withheld, the distributions to each 18 19 eligible city and village must be reduced proportionately. If the 20 sum is less than the amount withheld, the balance must be added to 21 the amount available for distribution under subsections (3) and (4) during the next month. The distributions are for use on the major 22 23 and local street systems respectively and are subject to the same 24 provisions as money returned under subsections (3) and (4). 25 (3) Seventy-five percent of the remaining amount to be returned to the cities and villages, after deducting the amounts 26 27 withheld under subsection (2), must be returned 60% in the same proportion that the population of each bears to the total 28 population of all cities and villages, and 40% in the same 29

- 1 proportion that the equivalent major mileage in each bears to the
- 2 total equivalent major mileage in all cities and villages. The
- 3 amount returned under this subsection must to and be used by each
- 4 city and village for the following purposes in the following order
- 5 of priority:as follows:
- 6 (a) The amount returned under this subsection must be returned
- 7 to each city and village using a formula that the department shall
- 8 develop based on all of the following factors:
- 9 (i) 25% based on average daily commercial truck traffic.
- 10 (ii) 5% based on average daily traffic.
- 11 (iii) 20% based on lane miles. For the purposes of this
- 12 subdivision, a shoulder wider than 6 feet must be counted as 1/3 of
- 13 a lane.
- 14 (iv) 20% based on population.
- 15 (ν) 10% based on regional climate considerations. For the
- 16 purposes of this subdivision, the department shall divide the state
- 17 into 5 climate regions based on freeze thaw cycle data from the
- 18 average of the previous 3 years.
- 19 (vi) 5% based on regional variable construction costs, based on
- 20 the cost of labor and materials involved in road construction
- 21 within regional prosperity zones.
- 22 (vii) 10% based on subbase geology and drainage requirements
- 23 for local soil. For the purposes of this subdivision, the
- 24 department shall develop a map of cities and villages based on each
- 25 city's and village's most prevalent subbase soil type.
- 26 (viii) 5% based on the size of bridges and culverts as
- 27 determined by the Michigan structure inventory and appraisal
- 28 database with 1/10 of that amount going to the critical bridge
- 29 program in the city or village.

- (b) The amount returned under this subsection must be used by each city and village for the following purposes in the following order of priority:
- 4 (i) (a) For the payment Payment of contributions required to be
 5 made by a city or village under the provisions of contracts
 6 previously entered into under 1941 PA 205, MCL 252.51 to 252.64,
 7 that have been previously pledged for the payment of the principal
 8 and interest on bonds issued under that act; or for the payment of
 9 the principal and interest upon bonds issued by a city or village
 10 under 1952 PA 175, MCL 247.701 to 247.707.
- (ii) (b) Payment of obligations of the city or village on
 highway projects undertaken by the city or village jointly with the
 department.
 - (iii) (c) For the payment Payment of principal and interest on loans received under section 11(5), to the extent other money has not been made available for that payment.
 - subparagraph, the preservation, construction, acquisition, and extension of the major street system as defined by this act including the acquisition of a necessary right of way for the system, work incidental to the system, and an appurtenant roadside park or motor parkway, of the city or village and for the payment of the principal and interest on that portion of the city's or village's general obligation bonds that are attributable to the construction or reconstruction of the city's or village's major street system. However, once an asset management plan described in section 9a has been approved, funds shall be used for the preservation, construction, and acquisition of the street system as provided in subsection (16) or for an emergency as described in

- 1 section 11c. Not more than 5% per year of the money returned to a
- 2 city or village by this subsection shall be expended for the
- 3 preservation or acquisition of appurtenant roadside parks and motor
- 4 parkways. Surplus money may be expended for the development,
- 5 construction, or repair of off-street parking facilities, and the
- 6 construction or repair of street lighting, and transfer to the
- 7 local street system under subsection (6).
- 8 (v) (e) For capital Capital outlay projects for equipment and
- 9 buildings, contributions pledged for the payment of loans and for
- 10 the payment of contractual debt service requirements for the
- 11 payment of bonds for the purpose of providing money for capital
- 12 outlay projects for equipment and buildings necessary to the
- 13 development and maintenance of the road system so long as amounts
- 14 allocated under this subdivision are used for transportation
- 15 purposes.
- 16 (4) The remaining amount to be returned to incorporated cities
- 17 and villages must be expended in each city or village for the
- 18 preservation, construction, acquisition, and extension of the local
- 19 street system of the city or village, including the acquisition of
- 20 a necessary right of way for the system, work incidental to the
- 21 system, and subject to subsection (5), for the payment of the
- 22 principal and interest on the portion of the city's or village's
- 23 general obligation bonds that are attributable to the construction
- 24 or reconstruction of the city's or village's local street system.
- 25 However, once an asset management plan described in section 9a has
- 26 been approved, funds shall be used for the preservation,
- 27 construction, and acquisition of the street system as provided in
- 28 subsection (16) or for an emergency as described in section 11c.
- 29 The amount returned under this subsection must be returned to the

- 1 cities and villages 60% in the same proportion that the population
- 2 of each bears to the total population of all incorporated cities
- 3 and villages in this state, and 40% in the same proportion that the
- 4 total mileage of the local street system of each bears to the total
- 5 mileage in the local street systems of all cities and villages of
- 6 this state. using the same formula described in subsection (3)(a).
- 7 The payment of the principal and interest on bonds issued by a city
- 8 or village under 1952 PA 175, MCL 247.701 to 247.707, and after
- 9 that payment, the payment of debt service on loans received under
- 10 section 11(5), must have priority in the expenditure of money
- 11 returned under this subsection.
- 12 (5) Money distributed to each city and village for the
- 13 maintenance and preservation of its local street system under this
- 14 act represents the total responsibility of this state for local
- 15 street system support. Money distributed from the Michigan
- 16 transportation fund must not be expended for construction purposes
- 17 on city and village local streets except to the extent matched from
- 18 local revenues including other money returned to a city or village
- 19 by this state under the state constitution of 1963 and statutes of
- 20 this state, from money that can be raised by taxation in cities and
- 21 villages for street purposes within the limitations of the state
- 22 constitution of 1963 and statutes of this state, from special
- 23 assessments, or from any other source.
- 24 (6) Money returned under this section to a city or village
- 25 must be expended on the major and local street systems of that city
- 26 or village. However, the first priority is the major street system.
- 27 Money returned for expenditure on the major street system must be
- 28 expended in the priority order provided in subsection (3) (3) (b)
- 29 except that surplus money may be transferred for preservation of

- 1 the local street system. Major street money transferred for use on
- 2 the local street system must not be used for construction but may
- 3 be used for preservation. A city or village shall not transfer more
- 4 than 50% of its annual major street funding for the local street
- 5 system unless it has adopted and is following an asset management
- 6 process for its major and local street systems and adopts a
- 7 resolution with a copy to the department setting forth all of the
- 8 following:

- 9 (a) A list of the major streets in that city or village.
- 10 (b) A statement that the city or village is adequately
- maintaining its major streets.
 - (c) The dollar amount of the transfer.
- 13 (d) The local streets to be funded with the transfer.
- 14 (e) A statement that the city or village is following an asset
- 15 management process for its major and local street systems.
- 16 (7) A city or village that has not adopted an asset management
- 17 plan shall obtain the concurrence of the department to transfer
- 18 more than 50% of its major street funding to its local street
- 19 system. The department may provide for pilot projects that would
- 20 allow a city or village that has adopted an asset management plan
- 21 under subsection (6) to combine their local and major street funds
- 22 into 1 street fund and to submit a single report to the department
- 23 on the expenditure of money on the local and major street systems.
- 24 (8) Not more than 10% per year of all of the money returned to
- 25 a city or village from any source for the purposes of this section
- 26 may be expended for administrative expenses. A city or village that
- 27 expends more than 10% for administrative expenses in a year is
- 28 subject to section 14(5).
- 29 (9) In each city and village to which money is returned under

- 1 this section, the responsibility for street preservation and the
- 2 development, construction, or repair of off-street parking
- 3 facilities and construction or repair of street lighting shall be
- 4 coordinated by a single administrator designated by the governing
- 5 body who shall be responsible for and shall represent the
- 6 municipality in transactions with the department under this act.
- 7 (10) Cities and villages may provide for consolidated street
- 8 administration. A city or a village may enter into an agreement
- 9 with other cities or villages, the county road commission, or with
- 10 the state transportation commission for the performance of street
- 11 or highway work on a road or street within the limits of the city
- 12 or village or adjacent to the city or village. The agreement may
- 13 provide for any of the contracting parties to perform the work
- 14 contemplated by the contracts including services and acquisition of
- 15 rights of way, by purchase or condemnation in its own name. The
- 16 agreement may provide for joint participation in the costs if
- **17** appropriate.
- 18 (11) Interest earned on money returned to a city or a village
- 19 for purposes provided in this section must be credited to the
- 20 appropriate street fund.
- 21 (12) In addition to the financial compliance audits required
- 22 by law, the department may conduct performance audits and make
- 23 investigations of the disposition of all state money received by
- 24 cities and villages for transportation purposes to determine
- 25 compliance with the terms and conditions of this act. Performance
- 26 audits must be conducted according to government auditing standards
- 27 issued by the United States General Accounting Office. The
- 28 department shall develop all performance audit procedures and
- 29 reporting requirements sufficient to determine whether money

- 1 expended under this section was expended in compliance with this
- 2 act by September 1, 2012 and shall report to the transportation
- 3 committees of the senate and house of representatives no later than
- 4 October 1, 2012 on the additional audit procedures and reporting
- 5 requirements. The audit procedures must include a review of the
- 6 road fund balance of the city or village. The cities and villages
- 7 shall report their road fund balances by fund balance component.
- 8 The department shall assist cities and villages to ensure that road
- 9 fund balances are consistently classified and are in compliance
- 10 with the audit and reporting requirements of this section. The
- 11 department shall provide notice to cities and villages of the
- 12 standards to be used for audits under this subsection prior to the
- 13 fiscal year in which the audit is conducted. The department shall
- 14 notify cities and villages of any subsequent changes to the
- 15 standards. Cities and villages shall make available to the
- 16 department the pertinent records for the audit. Performance audits
- 17 may be performed at the discretion of the department or on
- 18 receiving a request from the speaker of the house of
- 19 representatives or the senate majority leader.
- 20 (13) Of the amounts appropriated for a city or village major
- 21 or local street system under this section, where possible, a city
- 22 or village shall secure pavement warranties for full replacement or
- 23 appropriate repair for contracted construction work on pavement
- 24 projects whose cost exceeds \$2,000,000.00 and projects for new
- 25 construction or reconstruction undertaken after April 1, 2016 if
- 26 allowed by the Federal Highway Administration and the department. A
- 27 city or village shall submit a proposed warranty program to the
- 28 department for approval no later than February 1, 2017. If a
- 29 proposed warranty program submitted under this subsection is

- 1 approved by the department, the city or village shall implement the
- 2 program no later than 1 year after the approval. A city or village
- 3 shall include a list of all warranties that were secured under this
- 4 subsection and indicate whether any of those warranties were
- 5 redeemed with the report required under section 14(3), and shall
- 6 also list all pavement projects whose cost exceeds \$2,000,000.00
- 7 for which a warranty was not secured. The list shall include, but
- 8 is not limited to, all of the following information:
- **9** (a) The type of project.
- 10 (b) The cost or estimated cost of the project.
- 11 (c) The expected lifespan of the project.
- (d) Whether or not the project met or is currently meeting itsexpected lifespan.
- 14 (e) If the project failed to meet or is not meeting its
 15 expected lifespan, the cause of the failure and the cost to replace
- 16 capetical litespan, the cause of the fairlife and the cost to replace
- or repair the project.
- (f) The entity responsible for paying the cost of replacing or repairing the project.
- 19 (14) With the approval of the director of the department, a
- 20 city may use up to 20% of the amount received by that city under
- 21 this section for public transit purposes if more than 10,000,000
- 22 passengers used public transit within that city during the previous
- 23 fiscal year.
- 24 (15) A city or village may use a portion of the amount
- 25 returned to the city or village under this section for the payment
- 26 of debt service on bonds, notes, or other obligations.
- 27 (16) Once the asset management plan for a city or village as
- 28 described in section 9a has been approved, amounts distributed to a
- 29 city or village under this section shall be expended toward

- 1 attainment of the condition goals in the asset management plan and
 2 as otherwise required by this act.
- 3 (17) As used in this section:
- 4 (a) "Administrative expenses" means expenses that are not
- 5 assigned under this section, including, but not limited to,
- 6 specific road construction or maintenance projects, and are often
- 7 referred to as general or supportive services. Administrative
- 8 expenses do not include net equipment expense, net capital outlay,
- 9 debt service principal and interest, or payments to other state or
- 10 local offices that are assigned, but not limited to, specific road
- 11 construction projects or maintenance activities.
- (b) "Equivalent major mileage" means the sum of 2 times the
- 13 state trunk line mileage certified by the department as of March 31
- 14 of each year, as being within the boundaries of each city and
- 15 village having a population of 25,000 or more, plus the major
- 16 street mileage in each city and village, multiplied by the
- 17 following factor:
- 18 (i) 1.0 for cities and villages of 2,000 or less population.
- 19 $\frac{(ii)}{(ii)}$ 1.1 for cities and villages from 2,001 to 10,000
- 20 population.
- 21 (iii) 1.2 for cities and villages from 10,001 to 20,000
- 22 population.
- 23 (iv) 1.3 for cities and villages from 20,001 to 30,000
- 24 population.
- 25 (v) 1.4 for cities and villages from 30,001 to 40,000
- 26 population.
- 27 (vi) 1.5 for cities and villages from 40,001 to 50,000
- 28 population.
- 29 (vii) 1.6 for cities and villages from 50,001 to 65,000

- 1 population.
- 2 (viii) 1.7 for cities and villages from 65,001 to 80,000
- 3 population.
- 4 (ix) 1.8 for cities and villages from 80,001 to 95,000
- 5 population.
- 6 (x) 1.9 for cities and villages from 95,001 to 160,000
- 7 population.
- 8 (xi) 2.0 for cities and villages from 160,001 to 320,000
- 9 population.
- 10 (xii) For cities over 320,000 population, a factor of 2.1
- 11 increased successively by 0.1 for each 160,000 population increment
- 12 over 320,000.
- (b) (c) "Population" means the population according to the
- 14 most recent statewide federal census as certified at the beginning
- 15 of the state fiscal year, except that, if a municipality has been
- 16 newly incorporated since completion of the census, the population
- 17 of the municipality for purposes of the distribution of money
- 18 before completion of the next census is the population as
- 19 determined by special federal census, if there is a special federal
- 20 census, and if not, by the population as determined by the official
- 21 census in connection with the incorporation, if there is such a
- 22 census and, if not, by a special state census to be taken at the
- 23 expense of the municipality by the secretary of state under section
- 24 6 of the home rule city act, 1909 PA 279, MCL 117.6.
- Sec. 14. (1) Each county road commission and city and village
- 26 of the state shall prepare biennial primary road and major street
- 27 programs, based on long-range plans, and shall make the programs
- 28 available for review by the public.
- 29 (2) Separate accounts must be kept by cities, villages, and

- county road commissions of all money returned from the Michigan
 transportation fund. This subsection does not prevent the combining
 of accounts on which separate bookkeeping records are kept into a
 single deposit account.
- 5 (3) All county road commissions and cities and villages shall 6 keep accurate and uniform records on all road and street work and 7 funds, and shall annually report to the department at the time, in 8 the manner, and on forms prescribed by the department the mileage 9 of each road system under their jurisdiction and the receipts and 10 disbursements of road and street funds. In the annual report, each 11 county road commission shall report on its compliance in the 12 preceding year with the requirements of section $\frac{12(16)}{12(13)}$ and 13 (17). (14). The report must also specify, with respect to section 14 $\frac{12(17)}{1}$, $\frac{12(14)}{1}$, the total dollar amount expended for other than 15 maintenance purposes which would not have been permissible without 16 the deduction of certain urban route expenditures as permitted 17 under section $\frac{12(17)}{12(14)}$. The report must also specify the 18 justification for a waiver of the requirement of section $\frac{12(17)}{7}$ 19 12(14), if that requirement was waived. A county road commission, 20 city, or village shall post the report required by this subsection on its website, if the county road commission, city, or village has 21 22 a website.
 - (4) The county County road commissions, and the cities, and villages are authorized to expend adequate amounts from funds returned by this act to cover the cost of administration, engineering, and record keeping, and expenditures for those purposes must be reported separately by each county road commission, city, and village to the department.
 - (5) All distributions and returns of funds provided for in

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- 1 this act must be withheld from the department, eligible
- 2 authorities, county road commissions, cities, villages, or other
- 3 eligible governmental agencies for failure to comply with any of
- 4 the requirements of this act, and the withholding must continue for
- 5 the period of noncompliance.
- **6** (6) Money distributed to county road commissions for the
- 7 maintenance and improvement of county local road systems pursuant
- 8 to section 12 represents the total responsibility of this state for
- 9 local county road support. Additional funds required for the
- 10 support of county local road systems may be supplied from other
- 11 money returned to the township governments by this state under the
- 12 state constitution of 1963 and statutes of this state, or from
- 13 funds that can be raised by taxation in the townships or counties
- 14 for road purposes within the limitations of the state constitution
- 15 of 1963 and statutes of this state.
- 16 Sec. 15. (1) Before May 2 of each year, each county road
- 17 commission or the county executive or other agency acting as the
- 18 county road commission shall file with the director of the state
- 19 transportation department, each township in the county, and the
- 20 clerk of the county, on forms to be provided by the director, a
- 21 report showing the disposition of funds appropriated, apportioned,
- 22 or allocated under this act to the county road commission or the
- 23 county executive or other agency acting as the county road
- 24 commission including the funds expended for road construction and
- 25 heavy maintenance in each township in the county on the form
- 26 provided by the department in the annual county financial report
- 27 instruction and forms booklet prepared by the department, except
- 28 funds appropriated under section 10b.
- 29 (2) In addition to the general information required under

- subsection (1), the report filed by the county road commission or the county executive or other agency acting as the county road commission under subsection (1) must also include the following specific information:
- 5 (a) The number of miles of local roads outside of incorporated
 6 municipalities in each township in the county and the amount of
 7 funds received for each of those miles by the county under the
 8 formula described in section 12(7)(a).
 - (b) The number of miles of primary roads outside of incorporated municipalities in each township in the county and the amount of funds received for each of those miles by the county under the formula described in section 12(4) and (6)(b).
 - (c) The total population outside of incorporated municipalities in each township in the county and the per capita amount of funds received for each person on the basis of population according to the formula described in section 12(7)(b).
 - (d) The amount of funds received by the county road commission or the county executive or other agency acting as the county road commission directly from each township in the county for the purposes of this act.
- 21 (3) Beginning with municipal fiscal years ending after April
 22 15, 1976, each Each city and village shall file with the director
 23 of the state transportation department, not more than 120 days
 24 after the end of its fiscal year, on forms provided by the
 25 director, a report showing the disposition of funds appropriated,
 26 apportioned, or allocated under this act to the city or village,
 27 except funds appropriated under section 10b.
- Sec. 20a. A board of county road commissioners in a county and the township board of a township with a population of 15,000 or

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- 1 more, and which in the prior year and the contract year will have
- 2 levied a property tax of not less than 1 mill on each dollar of
- 3 assessed valuation of the township for the improvement or
- 4 preservation of county roads within the township, may exercise the
- 5 provisions of this section only by entering into a written contract
- 6 of not more than 1 year providing for the preservation by the
- 7 township of all or any part of the county local road system within
- 8 that township, subject to, at a minimum, the following conditions:
- 9 (a) The contract shall specify the total amount of money that
- 10 shall be annually expended by the contracting township for the
- 11 preservation of all or part of the local road system. The
- 12 contracting road commission may pay not more than 90% of the amount
- 13 specified in the contract to the contracting township annually. The
- 14 contracting road commission shall not pay more than 66% of an
- 15 amount equal to the average annual amount of funds expended by the
- 16 county road commission on the local road system located within the
- 17 contracting township for construction and preservation purposes
- 18 over the previous 5-year period from local road funds received by
- 19 the county under this act. The contracting township shall match any
- 20 funds expended by the contracting road commission on the local road
- 21 system located within the contracting township in excess of 66%.
- 22 The amount paid to the contracting township shall not directly or
- 23 indirectly include money transferred from the primary fund
- 24 allocation to the county under section $\frac{12(8).12(5)}{.}$.
- 25 (b) The contracting township shall keep separate accounts and
- 26 accurate and uniform records on all road preservation work and
- 27 funds, and shall file with the state transportation commission and
- 28 the contracting county road commission on or before April 1 of each
- 29 year, on forms provided by the state transportation commission, a

- report showing the disposition of funds received and expended forroad purposes.
- 3 (c) The contract shall require the contracting township to
 4 provide insurance covering the contracting road commission's
 5 liability for failure to preserve the local roads specified in the
 6 contract.
- 7 (d) The contracting road commission shall determine and
 8 specify the equipment and personnel necessary to provide the
 9 preservation as set forth in the contract, and the contract shall
 10 not take effect until the contracting township has acquired the
 11 necessary equipment and personnel specified in the contract.
- (e) As used in this section, "preservation" means that term as defined in section 10c unless the contracting parties specify a different meaning in the contract.
- Enacting section 1. Section 12b of 1951 PA 51, MCL 247.662b, is repealed.