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Senate Bill 1147 (Substitute S-1 as reported)  
Sponsor: Senator Shirley Johnson  
Committee: Appropriations

**CONTENT**

The bill would amend Public Act 286 of 1964, which governs the powers and duties of the State Transportation Commission, the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT), and the MDOT Director, to require MDOT to submit the annual Five Year Transportation Program to the Legislature for approval, beginning with the Five Year Transportation Program covering the years 2005 to 2009. The bill would prohibit MDOT from implementing the Five Year Transportation Program unless it were approved by a majority vote of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

The Michigan Department of Transportation issued its first Five Year Road & Bridge Program in 1999, covering the years 1998 to 2003. The document provided a summary of MDOT's planned road and bridge program for the next five-year period, including projected funding and a listing of projects in each of MDOT's seven regions. The Department has issued a Five Year Road & Bridge Program in each of the past five years. The most recent document was issued in February 2004 (volume VI) and covers the period 2004 to 2008. This document includes information on all modes of transportation in the State instead of focusing exclusively on road and bridge infrastructure, and therefore was renamed the Five Year Transportation Program.

The Legislature has included language in each of the last five MDOT annual appropriations acts that requires the submission of the Five Year Transportation Program to the Legislature. The language requires the submission of the Program by February 1 of each year. The current-year reporting requirement is contained in Section 307 of Public Act 162 of 2003.

The bill is tie-barred to House Bill 5762, which would amend Public Act 51 of 1951 to require legislative approval of the Five Year Transportation Program covering the years 2005-2009. The approval requirements mirror those contained in Senate Bill 1147 (S-1).

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**FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the State.

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