

SB 59 – Federal Funds to Municipalities for Roads

Sectional Analysis

Sec. 1: This adds a new Article 4 – Awards of Federal Funds to Municipalities for Road Projects to AS 19.05.

New 19.05.150

- (a) Authorizes a program for federal fund awards, maximum \$20 million, to municipalities for roads, subject to appropriations.
- (b) Language that the awards do not lapse under AS 37.25.010.

New 19.05.155

Sets out the process by which a municipality applies to the department for the federal money for a road project. Requires that the municipality provide the matching funds and that they agree to comply with all federal regulations. Requires the department to not accept applications unless the project qualifies for federal funding.

New 19.05.160

- (a) Authorizes the department to set a priority process for projects, but requires a higher priority be assigned to reconstruction/rehabilitation of a road that will be transferred to a municipality for maintenance.
- (b) Requires the department to include the municipal road projects in the STIP in priority order establish above, unless a project is prohibited under federal law.

Sec. 2: Effective date of the bill.