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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 371

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the House Committee on Rules on February 19, 2001)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Senator Williams)

Establishing a joint subcommittee to study funding of unfunded transportation projects in Hampton Roads.

WHEREAS, there exists a broad and deep consensus among elected officials, business leaders, and ordinary citizens in the Hampton Roads region that the region has many transportation needs that have not been met and cannot be met because of a lack of funding; and

WHEREAS, while there may be considerable agreement on what these projects are, there is much less agreement on how they could be or should be funded, including consideration of a regional financing authority; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That a joint subcommittee be established to study funding of unfunded transportation projects in Hampton Roads. The joint subcommittee shall determine the most desirable and feasible means of making funds available to meet those needs. The joint subcommittee shall consist of 16 members, which shall include 10 legislative members and six non-voting, nonlegislative members to be appointed as follows: four members of the Senate, to be appointed by the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections; six members of the House of Delegates, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House in accordance with the principles of proportional representation contained in the Rules of the House of Delegates; two residents of Hampton Roads to be appointed by the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections; two residents of Hampton Roads to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates; one representative of the Hampton Roads Planning District Commission, upon the recommendation of the Commission, to be appointed by the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections; and one representative of the Mayors and Chairs of Hampton Roads, upon the recommendation of the Mayors and Chairs organization, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates.

The direct costs of this study shall not exceed \$15,500.

The joint subcommittee shall complete its work in time to submit its written findings and recommendations by November 30, 2001, to the Governor and the 2002 Session of the General Assembly as provided in the procedures of the Division of Legislative Automated Systems for the processing of legislative documents.

Implementation of this resolution is subject to subsequent approval and certification by the Joint Rules Committee. The Committee may withhold expenditures or delay the period for the conduct of the study.