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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 355

Senate Amendments in [] — February 7, 1995

Requesting the Department of Rail and Public Transportation and the Department of Transportation to report on a major investment study of bus, rail and highway improvements along the Interstate Route 66 corridor.

Patrons—Barry, Howell, Waddell and Woods; Delegates: Fisher, McClure, O'Brien and Scott

Referred to the Committee on Rules

WHEREAS, Interstate Route 66 provides a critical transportation link for both intraregional and interregional traffic in Virginia; and

WHEREAS, economic and population growth have contributed to increases in commuter and general traffic during the past ten years along the Interstate Route 66 corridor in Fairfax, Prince William, and Fauquier Counties; and

WHEREAS, the metropolitan planning regulations promulgated under the federal Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) require a major investment study before any new transportation facility can be built in air quality nonattainment area; and

WHEREAS, Senate Joint Resolution No. 104 of the 1994 Regular Session requested the Departments of Transportation and Rails and Public Transportation to perform an alternative analysis study of new bus, rail, and highway facilities along the Interstate Route 66 corridor; and

WHEREAS, major investment studies are more comprehensive than alternatives analysis, and take longer to complete; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable to perform the more rigorously analytical study; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Rail and Public Transportation is performing a major investment study of new bus, rail, and highway facilities along the Interstate Route 66 corridor; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Delegates concurring, That the Department of Rail and Public Transportation and the Department of Transportation be hereby requested to submit an interim report of their findings to the Governor and the 1996 Session of the General Assembly on the major investment study of new bus, rail, and highway facilities along the Interstate Route 66 corridor; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER That the Department of Rail and Public Transportation and the Department of Transportation be hereby requested to submit a final report of their recommendations on the aforesaid study to the Governor and the 1997 of the General Assembly as provided in the procedures of the Division of Legislative Automated Systems [for the processing of legislative documents] .

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