

Senate Bill 4

By: Senators Seabaugh of the 28th, Williams of the 19th, Stephens of the 27th, Hamrick of the 30th, Hill of the 32nd and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to the allocation of funds for public roads, so as to change the provisions regarding
3 the balancing of federal and state funds; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting
4 laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

7 Article 3 of Chapter 5 of Title 32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
8 allocation of funds for public roads, is amended by striking subsection (a) of Code Section
9 32-5-30, relating to allocation of state and federal funds, and inserting in its place the
10 following:

11 "(a) The total of expenditures from the State Public Transportation Fund under paragraphs
12 (4), (5), and (6) of Code Section 32-5-21 plus expenditures of federal funds appropriated
13 to the department, not including any state or federal funds specifically designated for
14 maintenance and operations, any project undertaken for purposes of providing for the
15 planning, surveying, constructing, paving, and improving of the Dwight D. Eisenhower
16 System of Interstate and Defense Highways within the state, any project undertaken for
17 purposes of the Developmental Highway System provided by Code Section 32-4-22, or any
18 project of the Georgia Regional Transportation Authority, Georgia Ports Authority, or
19 Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority, shall be budgeted by the department over
20 each five-year period commencing July 1, ~~1999~~ 2005, and quinquennially thereafter such
21 that at the end of such period funding obligations equivalent to at least 85 percent of such
22 total for such period shall have been divided equally among the congressional districts in
23 this state, as those districts existed at the commencement of such period, for public road
24 and other public transportation purposes in such districts; with the remainder of such total
25 divided among such congressional districts such that 5 percent of such total for such period
26 shall have been obligated for public road projects incidental to economic development
27 purposes anywhere in this state, and no such congressional district shall have received
28 funding obligations pursuant to this subsection for such period which are more than 20

1 percent greater than that received by any other such congressional district pursuant to this
2 subsection for such period."

3 **SECTION 2.**

4 This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2005.

5 **SECTION 3.**

6 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.