

House Bill 737

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Code Section 32-5-30 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
2 allocation of state and federal funds, so as to remove certain projects exempt from the  
3 allocation provisions of said Code section; to provide for budgeting periods; to repeal  
4 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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

7 Code Section 32-5-30 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to allocation of  
8 state and federal funds, is amended by striking in its entirety subsection (a) and inserting in  
9 lieu thereof the following:

10 "(a) The total of expenditures from the State Public Transportation Fund under paragraphs  
11 (4), (5), and (6) of Code Section 32-5-21 plus expenditures of federal funds appropriated  
12 to the department, ~~not including any state or federal funds specifically designated for~~  
13 ~~maintenance and operations, any project undertaken for purposes of the Developmental~~  
14 ~~Highway System provided by Code Section 32-4-22, or any project of the Georgia~~  
15 ~~Regional Transportation Authority, Georgia Ports Authority, or Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid~~  
16 ~~Transit Authority,~~ shall be budgeted by the department over ~~each five-year period~~  
17 ~~commencing July 1, 1999, and quinquennially thereafter~~ two successive budgeting periods  
18 every decade. The first budgeting period shall commence immediately following  
19 redistricting of congressional districts and shall be for a duration of five years. The second  
20 budgeting period shall continue until the beginning of the budgeting period following the  
21 next redistricting of congressional districts after each decennial census. The department  
22 shall budget such expenditures such that at the end of such budgeting period funding  
23 obligations equivalent to at least 85 70 percent of such total for such budgeting period shall  
24 have been divided equally among the congressional districts in this state, as those districts  
25 existed at the commencement of such budgeting period, for public road and other public  
26 transportation purposes in such districts; with the remainder of such total divided among

1 such congressional districts such that 5 percent of such total for such budgeting period shall  
2 have been obligated for public road projects incidental to economic development purposes  
3 anywhere in this state, and no such congressional district shall have received funding  
4 obligations pursuant to this subsection for such budgeting period which are more than 20  
5 percent greater than that received by any other such congressional district pursuant to this  
6 subsection for such budgeting period."

7 **SECTION 2.**

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