

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

AS PASSED

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 change the
4 portion to be divided equally; to remove a provision for expenditures incidental to economic
5 development purposes; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for
6 other purposes.

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

8 **SECTION 1.**

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

12 "(a)(1) The total of expenditures from the State Public Transportation Fund under
13 paragraphs (4), (5), and (6) of Code Section 32-5-21 plus expenditures of federal funds
14 appropriated to the department, not including any state or federal funds specifically
15 designated for maintenance and operations, any project undertaken for purposes of the
16 Developmental Highway System provided by Code Section 32-4-22, or any project of the
17 Georgia Regional Transportation Authority, Georgia Ports Authority, or Metropolitan
18 Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority, projects that have been earmarked by a member of
19 Congress in excess of appropriated funds shall be budgeted by the department over each
20 five-year period commencing July 1, 1999, and quinquennially thereafter two successive
21 budgeting periods every decade.

22 (2) The first budgeting period shall commence immediately following redistricting of
23 congressional districts and shall be for a duration of five years. The second budgeting
24 period shall continue until the beginning of the budgeting period following the next

1 redistricting of congressional districts after each decennial census; provided, however,
2 if the congressional districts have been redrawn prior to a new decennial census, but after
3 the approval of an existing map based on the last decennial census, the budgeting period
4 shall include two successive budgeting periods. The first budgeting period shall end upon
5 approval of the new redistricting and the second budgeting period shall commence from
6 the date such redrawn congressional districts have been approved and shall continue until
7 the next budgeting period following the next redistricting of congressional districts. The
8 department shall budget such expenditures such that at the end of such budgeting period
9 funding obligations equivalent to at least ~~85~~ 80 percent of such total for such budgeting
10 period shall have been divided equally among the congressional districts in this state, as
11 those districts existed at the commencement of such budgeting period, for public road and
12 other public transportation purposes in such districts; ~~with the remainder of such total~~
13 ~~divided among such congressional districts such that 5 percent of such total for such~~
14 ~~period shall have been obligated for public road projects incidental to economic~~
15 ~~development purposes anywhere in this state, and no such congressional district shall~~
16 ~~have received funding obligations pursuant to this subsection for such period which are~~
17 ~~more than 20 percent greater than that received by any other such congressional district~~
18 ~~pursuant to this subsection for such period."~~

19 **SECTION 2.**

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