

House Bill 1123

By: Representatives Shaw of the 176th, Smith of the 129th, Sheldon of the 105th, Floyd of the 147th, Mills of the 25th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 2 of Title 32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the
2 Department of Transportation, so as to require the commissioner of transportation to file
3 reports on matters of interest to the General Assembly; to provide for related matters; to
4 provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

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

7 Chapter 2 of Title 32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the Department
8 of Transportation, is amended by adding a new Code section to read as follows:

9 "32-2-41.1.

10 (a) Beginning on December 31, 2008, and annually thereafter, the commissioner shall
11 prepare a report for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, the Speaker of the House of
12 Representatives, and the chairpersons of the Senate Transportation Committee and House
13 Committee on Transportation detailing the progress the department has made in the
14 following areas:

15 (1) Disposal of county maintenance barns and surplus equipment. The commissioner
16 shall deliver a report on or before December 31, 2008, detailing progress made in
17 disposing of county maintenance barns and surplus equipment. This report shall detail
18 the location and amount of property and equipment sold and remaining unsold;

19 (2) Road maintenance. The commissioner shall deliver a report on or before
20 December 31, 2008, on his or her plans for maintaining existing roads in this state. This
21 report shall detail the amount of money to be spent on maintaining existing roads and the
22 source of the funds. This report shall also contain an analysis of the overall condition of
23 roads in Georgia and the possible effect a lack of maintenance may have on the safety of
24 the public in this state; and

25 (3) Bridge maintenance. The commissioner shall deliver a report on or before
26 December 31, 2008, on his or her plans for inspecting and maintaining existing bridges

1 in this state. This report shall detail the amount of money to be spent on inspecting and
2 maintaining existing bridges and the source of the funds. This report shall also contain
3 an analysis of the overall condition of bridges in Georgia and the possible effects a lack
4 of maintenance may have on the safety of the public in this state and an analysis of
5 whether the inspections of bridges already performed by the department have been
6 adequate.

7 (b) The report prepared pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section shall also be
8 published on the website of the department."

9 **SECTION 2.**

10 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
11 without such approval.

12 **SECTION 3.**

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