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Joint Committee on Finance

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Funding for Payments for Municipal Services (DOT -- Other Divisions)

CURRENT LAW

DOT is assessed by DOA an amount necessary to reimburse the general fund for payments made under the payments for municipal services (PMS) program based on services provided for DOT facilities. In 2000-01, DOT was assessed \$216,700, although the base level of funding for this purpose is \$182,000 SEG.

GOVERNOR

The bill would establish reserves in the transportation fund of \$58,900 in 2001-02 and \$83,000 in 2002-03 for the purpose of supplementing the departmental management and operations appropriation for the payment of PMS assessments.

MODIFICATION

Provide \$34,700 SEG annually in the appropriation for departmental management and operations for the payment of PMS assessments. Delete \$58,900 SEG-Reserve in 2001-02 and \$83,000 SEG-Reserve in 2002-03.

Explanation: The bill would place an amount in reserve in the expectation that DOT's PMS assessment will increase. Under the bill, however, the GPR appropriation for making PMS payments to municipalities would not increase above the base level and so it is not expected that DOT's assessment for this program will increase. The modification would appropriate the difference between the amount that DOT has in its base for paying the assessment and what DOT actually paid in 2000-01 (the increase corresponded to a 19.4% increase from 1999-01 to 2000-01 in the GPR appropriation for making PMS payments

under 1999 Act 9). The reserves in the bill would be eliminated, since these amounts would not be needed if amounts are appropriated for making the payment.

| Modification | <u>SEG</u> |
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| 2001-03 RESERVES (Change to Bill) | - \$141,900 |
| 2001-03 FUNDING (Change to Bill) | \$69,400 |

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