Good Morning Chairmen Neilson and Benninghoff:

As Chair of the PA Public Transportation Association (PPTA), I am writing to offer PPTA comments regarding the effects of using the Motor License Fund to supplement the budget of the Pennsylvania State Police.

Thank you in advance for sharing our position with members of the Committee. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me. Thank you.

The Pennsylvania Public Transportation Association (PPTA) urges lawmakers to thoroughly examine the funding needs and sources of Pennsylvania's entire transportation network, and work collaboratively to develop a new comprehensive transportation funding strategy that includes long term solutions highway, roads, bridges and transit.

A safe and adequately funded transportation network of highways, roads, bridges and transit is essential for the movement of people, goods and services throughout the Commonwealth. Ten years ago, lawmakers worked diligently to pass a bipartisan, comprehensive new transportation funding plan for Pennsylvania. Act 89 of 2013 was a \$2.3 billion funding package that while critical, was never sufficient to address long term transportation needs.

Now is the time to address the state's multimodal transportation needs and PPTA would welcome the opportunity to participate in this effort.

Sincerely, Bob Fiume

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