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9103. Definitions.

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AN ACT

1 2 3	Amending Title 74 (Transportation) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, providing for transportation infrastructure partnership and development.
4	The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5	hereby enacts as follows:
6	Section 1. Title 74 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
7	Statutes is amended by adding a part to read:
8	<u>PART V</u>
9	TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE
10	<u>Chapter</u>
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- 16 § 9101. Scope of chapter.
- 17 This chapter relates to transportation infrastructure
- 18 partnership and development.
- 19 § 9102. Findings and declaration of policy.
- 20 The General Assembly finds, determines and declares as
- 21 follows:
- 22 (1) There is urgent public need to reduce congestion.
- 23 increase capacity, improve safety and enhance economic
- 24 <u>efficiency of transportation facilities throughout this</u>
- 25 <u>Commonwealth.</u>
- 26 (2) The Commonwealth has limited resources to fund the
- 27 maintenance and expansion of its transportation facilities.
- 28 (3) To ensure that the needs of the public are
- 29 adequately addressed, alternative funding mechanisms and
- 30 strategies must be developed to supplement existing public

- 1 revenue sources.
- 2 (4) Public entities should be authorized to enter into
- 3 <u>transportation development agreements with private entities</u>,
- 4 <u>other public entities or partnerships of such entities in</u>
- 5 order to accelerate the cost-effective delivery of improved
- 6 <u>transportation facilities throughout this Commonwealth.</u>
- 7 § 9103. Definitions.
- 8 The following words and phrases when used in this chapter
- 9 shall have the meanings given to them in this section unless the
- 10 <u>context clearly indicates otherwise:</u>
- 11 <u>"Affected local jurisdiction." A county, city, township,</u>
- 12 borough, incorporated town, local planning organization,
- 13 regional planning organization, metropolitan transportation
- 14 authority or regional mobility authority within whose
- 15 <u>jurisdictional boundaries all or a portion of a qualifying</u>
- 16 <u>transportation project is located, or which is or will be</u>
- 17 directly affected by the project.
- 18 "Approving body." In the case of a proposal subject to State
- 19 Transportation Commission review and approval under section
- 20 9104(a) (relating to transportation development agreements), the
- 21 State Transportation Commission and the proprietary public
- 22 entity. In the case of a proposal not subject to State
- 23 Transportation Commission approval under section 9104(a), the
- 24 proprietary public entity.
- 25 "Authorized development entity." A private entity, another
- 26 <u>public entity or any partnership of the entities authorized by</u>
- 27 the approving body or bodies to assume responsibility for the
- 28 use of or control, in whole or in part, of a transportation
- 29 facility from a proprietary public entity.
- 30 "Department." The Department of Transportation of the

- 1 Commonwealth.
- 2 <u>"Design build." The mode of infrastructure development</u>
- 3 whereby the contractor is responsible for both the design and
- 4 <u>construction of a qualifying transportation project.</u>
- 5 <u>"Develop" or "development." The term includes, but is not</u>
- 6 <u>limited to, the acts or functions of planning, designing,</u>
- 7 financing, constructing, purchasing, installing, adding,
- 8 extending or other activities relating to the improvement of a
- 9 transportation facility.
- 10 "Fund." The Pennsylvania Transportation Development Trust
- 11 Fund established under section 9114 (relating to Pennsylvania
- 12 <u>Transportation Development Trust Fund</u>).
- "Intergovernmental Cooperation Act." 53 Pa.C.S. Pt. III
- 14 Subpt. D (relating to area government and intergovernmental
- 15 <u>cooperation</u>).
- 16 "INTERIM AGREEMENT." AN AGREEMENT, INCLUDING A MEMORANDUM OF <----
- 17 UNDERSTANDING OR BINDING PRELIMINARY AGREEMENT, BETWEEN A
- 18 PRIVATE ENTITY AND THE RESPONSIBLE PUBLIC ENTITY OR THE AFFECTED
- 19 PUBLIC ENTITY UNDER SECTION 9108 (RELATING TO TERMS AND
- 20 CONDITIONS OF TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENTS) WHICH
- 21 PROVIDES FOR COMPLETION OF STUDIES, INTERIM COMPENSATION RATES
- 22 AND ANY OTHER ACTIVITIES TO ADVANCE THE DEVELOPMENT OR OPERATION
- 23 OF A QUALIFYING TRANSPORTATION FACILITY.
- 24 <u>"Local governmental entity." A unit of government with less</u>
- 25 <u>than Statewide jurisdiction</u>, or any officially designated public
- 26 agency or authority of the unit of government, that has the
- 27 responsibility for planning, construction, operation or
- 28 maintenance of or jurisdiction over a transportation facility.
- 29 The term includes, but is not limited to, a county, city,
- 30 township, borough, incorporated town, municipal authority, local

- 1 or regional planning organization, metropolitan transportation
- 2 <u>authority</u>, <u>regional mobility authority or other political</u>
- 3 <u>subdivision or governmental entity created with less than</u>
- 4 Statewide jurisdiction, or any combination of the entities
- 5 acting pursuant to 53 Pa.C.S. Pt. III Subpt. D (relating to area
- 6 government and intergovernmental cooperation) or a similar
- 7 statute.
- 8 <u>"Local planning organization."</u> An entity whose jurisdiction
- 9 does not exceed the county in which it is located, and which is
- 10 charged with transportation planning responsibilities in the
- 11 <u>area in which a qualifying transportation project is located.</u>
- 12 "Material default." Failure of an authorized development
- 13 entity or entities to perform any duties under a transportation
- 14 development agreement which jeopardizes delivery of adequate
- 15 service to the public and remains unsatisfied after a reasonable
- 16 period of time and after the authorized development entity or
- 17 entities has received written notice from the approving body or
- 18 bodies of the failure.
- 19 <u>"Maximum rate of return." The negotiated maximum rate of</u>
- 20 return a private entity can receive as an authorized development
- 21 <u>entity from the operating and nonoperating revenues of a</u>
- 22 transportation facility pursuant to a transportation development
- 23 agreement, including any incidental receipts and other income
- 24 <u>derived from the transportation facility covered by the</u>
- 25 agreement.
- 26 "Municipality Authorities Act." 53 Pa.C.S. Ch. 56 (relating
- 27 to municipal authorities).
- 28 "Operate" or "operation." Includes, but is not limited to,
- 29 the acts or functions of managing, controlling, maintaining,
- 30 repairing, conducting financial proceedings and other day-to-day

- 1 <u>activities of an enterprise</u>.
- 2 <u>"Partnership." An organization structured as a partnership</u>
- 3 or joint venture and comprised of any combination of private
- 4 entities or public entities or both.
- 5 <u>"Private entity." A natural person, sole proprietorship,</u>
- 6 corporation, company, association, syndicate, partnership,
- 7 <u>limited liability company, business trust, public benefit</u>
- 8 corporation, nonprofit entity or any other entity not
- 9 specifically listed in this definition entering into a
- 10 transportation development agreement with a proprietary public
- 11 <u>entity for a qualifying transportation project.</u>
- 12 <u>"Proprietary public entity." The public entity that owns the</u>
- 13 proposed or existing transportation facility subject to a
- 14 <u>transportation development agreement.</u>
- 15 <u>"Public entity." The Commonwealth or any department,</u>
- 16 commission, authority or agency thereof or any local government
- 17 entity. The term shall specifically include the State
- 18 Transportation Commission, the Department of Transportation and
- 19 the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission. For purposes of this
- 20 chapter, the term does not include the General Assembly and its
- 21 members, officers or agencies or any court or other office or
- 22 agency of the Pennsylvania judicial system.
- 23 "Qualifying transportation project." A proposed or existing
- 24 undertaking by an authorized development entity or entities for
- 25 the development or operation of a transportation facility
- 26 totally or partially within this Commonwealth.
- 27 "Regional mobility account." A separate account of the
- 28 <u>Commonwealth within the Pennsylvania Transportation Development</u>
- 29 Trust Fund, under the custody of the State Treasurer, into which
- 30 transportation development revenues or other funds, including

- 1 surcharges imposed by the Commonwealth, may be deposited for
- 2 operation or development of regional transportation facilities.
- 3 <u>"Regional mobility authority." An authority or similar local</u>
- 4 government entity created pursuant to 53 Pa.C.S. Pt. III Subpt.
- 5 D (relating to area government and intergovernmental
- 6 cooperation), 53 Pa.C.S. Ch. 56 (relating to municipal
- 7 authorities) or other Commonwealth statute and recognized under
- 8 this chapter and regulations issued by the State Transportation
- 9 <u>Commission for the purpose of promoting regional transportation</u>
- 10 <u>development</u>.
- 11 <u>"Regional planning organization." An entity with multicounty</u>
- 12 jurisdiction and designated under Federal or State law with
- 13 transportation planning responsibilities in the region in which
- 14 <u>a qualifying transportation project is located.</u>
- 15 <u>"Request for proposals." All materials and documents</u>
- 16 prepared by or on behalf of a public entity to solicit proposals
- 17 <u>from public or private entities to enter into a transportation</u>
- 18 development agreement for a qualifying transportation project as
- 19 set forth in this chapter.
- 20 "Right-to-Know Law." The act of June 21, 1957 (P.L.390,
- 21 No.212), referred to as the Right-to-Know Law.
- 22 "Separations Act." The act of May 1, 1913 (P.L.155, No.104),
- 23 entitled "An act regulating the letting of certain contracts for
- 24 the erection, construction, and alteration of public buildings."
- 25 "State Adverse Interest Act." The act of July 19, 1957
- 26 (P.L.1017, No.451), known as the State Adverse Interest Act.
- 27 "State advisor." An entity as defined in section 2 of the
- 28 act of July 19, 1957 (P.L.1017, No.451), known as the State
- 29 <u>Adverse Interest Act.</u>
- 30 "State consultant." An entity as defined in section 2 of the

- 1 act of July 19, 1957 (P.L.1017, No.451), known as the State
- 2 Adverse Interest Act.
- 3 <u>"Transportation Commission." The State Transportation</u>
- 4 Commission of the Commonwealth established under section 468 of
- 5 the act of April 9, 1929 (P.L.177, No.175), known as The
- 6 Administrative Code of 1929.
- 7 <u>"Transportation development agreement." A lease, license, </u>
- 8 franchise, easement, concession or other binding agreement
- 9 transferring rights for the use or control, in whole or in part,
- 10 of a transportation facility by a proprietary public entity to
- 11 <u>an authorized development entity or entities for a definite term</u>
- 12 <u>during which the authorized development entity or entities will</u>
- 13 provide transportation-related services, including, but not
- 14 limited to, any one or more of the following: operations and
- 15 maintenance, revenue collection, toll collection enforcement,
- 16 <u>design</u>, construction, development and other activities with
- 17 respect to existing or new transportation facilities that
- 18 enhance throughput, reduce congestion, improve safety or
- 19 otherwise manage or improve a transportation facility in return
- 20 for the right to receive all or a portion of the revenues of the
- 21 <u>transportation facility.</u>
- 22 "Transportation development revenues." Money generated from
- 23 or received in support of the development or operation of a
- 24 qualifying transportation project, including, but not limited
- 25 to, user fees, service payments, surcharges, lease payments,
- 26 governmental appropriations or grants, proceeds of debt or
- 27 equity issuance, income from operations and earnings on
- 28 investments.
- 29 <u>"Transportation facility." A road, bridge, tunnel, overpass,</u>
- 30 ferry, busway, guideway, other public transportation facility,

- 1 vehicle parking facility, port facility, multimodal
- 2 transportation facility, airport, station, hub, terminal or
- 3 similar facility used for the transportation of persons, animals
- 4 or goods, together with any buildings, structures, parking
- 5 areas, appurtenances and other property needed to operate the
- 6 facility. The term includes any improvements or substantial
- 7 enhancements thereto.
- 8 <u>"User fees." Rates, tolls, fees or other charges imposed or</u>
- 9 <u>collected by an authorized development entity or entities for</u>
- 10 use of all or a portion of a transportation facility pursuant to
- 11 <u>a transportation development agreement.</u>
- 12 § 9104. Transportation development agreements.
- (a) Authorization and approval. -- Subject to the provisions
- 14 of this chapter and the approval of its governing body, a
- 15 proprietary public entity has full authority to enter into a
- 16 transportation development agreement with an authorized
- 17 <u>development entity or entities governing the development or</u>
- 18 operation of all or any portion of a transportation facility,
- 19 except that, if the transportation development agreement results
- 20 <u>in the proprietary public entity disposing of or relinquishing</u>
- 21 its control of a transportation facility or pertains to a
- 22 transportation facility that receives Commonwealth funding, then
- 23 the transportation development agreement must also be reviewed
- 24 and approved by the Transportation Commission before the
- 25 proprietary public entity can enter into the agreement.
- 26 (b) Project activities authorized. -- Subject to the
- 27 requirements of this chapter, a transportation development
- 28 agreement may provide for the authorized development entity or
- 29 <u>entities to be partially or entirely responsible for any one or</u>
- 30 more of the following <u>activities: planning, design, development</u>,

- 1 construction, reconstruction, improvement, extension or
- 2 <u>expansion</u>, <u>operation</u>, <u>repair</u>, <u>maintenance</u>, <u>management</u>, <u>revenue</u>
- 3 <u>collection or financing of a transportation facility.</u>
- 4 (c) Repositories for materials.--The Transportation
- 5 Commission shall serve as the primary repository for all
- 6 materials relating to the review and approval of transportation
- 7 <u>development agreements that involve transportation facilities</u>
- 8 that receive funding from the Commonwealth or result in the
- 9 proprietary public entity disposing of or relinquishing its
- 10 control over the transportation facilities. Otherwise, the
- 11 proprietary public entity shall serve as the repository for
- 12 <u>materials relating to the review of transportation development</u>
- 13 agreements which do not require the approval of the
- 14 Transportation Commission.
- 15 § 9105. Proposals for transportation development agreements.
- 16 (a) Solicited proposals.--Before entering into a
- 17 transportation development agreement, the proprietary public
- 18 entity must issue a request for proposals as set forth in this
- 19 subsection. If the proposal being requested is subject to
- 20 Transportation Commission review and approval pursuant to
- 21 <u>section 9104(a) (relating to transportation development</u>
- 22 agreements), the request for proposals must be authorized and
- 23 issued jointly by the proprietary public entity and the
- 24 Transportation Commission. Any request for proposals shall use a
- 25 competitive procurement process that selects the authorized
- 26 <u>development entity whose proposal provides the best value for</u>
- 27 the proprietary public entity and for the Commonwealth. Notice
- 28 of any such request for proposals shall be published in the
- 29 <u>Pennsylvania Bulletin and posted or published in whatever other</u>
- 30 medium is regularly used by the proprietary public entity for

- 1 procurement matters. A request for proposals issued under this
- 2 subsection shall include the following:
- 3 (1) The minimum scope and content of the information to
- 4 <u>be provided by the respondent.</u>
- 5 (2) The factors or criteria that will be used by the
- 6 approving body or bodies in evaluating the proposals and the
- 7 <u>deadline for submitting the proposal.</u>
- 8 (3) A statement concerning the scope and location of the
- 9 <u>proposed project.</u>
- 10 (4) A statement concerning any other information that
- the approving body or bodies may consider in evaluating the
- 12 proposals.
- 13 (5) A statement indicating that if clarification is
- 14 <u>needed in the evaluation of the proposals, the proprietary</u>
- 15 <u>public entity, together with the Transportation Commission if</u>
- its approval is required, may negotiate specific provisions
- 17 with the prospective authorized development entity that
- 18 submitted the proposal pursuant to the request for proposals.
- 19 (b) Unsolicited proposals. -- A proprietary public entity may
- 20 entertain and accept for review unsolicited proposals submitted
- 21 by public or private entities for a qualifying transportation
- 22 project. To the extent a proposal is subject to Transportation
- 23 Commission review and approval pursuant to section 9104(a), the
- 24 proposal shall also be submitted to the Transportation
- 25 Commission. For proposals not subject to Transportation
- 26 Commission approval, proprietary public entities may establish
- 27 rules and procedures for accepting unsolicited proposals and may
- 28 set forth the information required to be included in unsolicited
- 29 proposals submitted by public or private entities. The
- 30 Transportation Commission shall be responsible for establishing

- 1 rules and procedures for unsolicited proposals subject to its
- 2 approval, which shall include a review and response period not
- 3 exceeding 135 days from receipt of the unsolicited proposal for
- 4 any proposal with an estimated cost of construction greater than
- 5 \$50,000,000. If an unsolicited proposal is deemed to be in
- 6 compliance with the rules and procedures as established by the
- 7 appropriate approving body and if the public entity or entities
- 8 so desire to pursue the proposed qualifying transportation
- 9 project, the proprietary public entity, jointly with the
- 10 Transportation Commission if its approval is required, must
- 11 <u>publish a request for and receive competing proposals in</u>
- 12 accordance with subsection (a). RESPONSES TO REQUESTS FOR
- 13 PROPOSALS ISSUED IN RESPONSE TO THE FAVORABLE REVIEW OF A
- 14 PROPOSAL UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE RETURNED TO THE
- 15 COMMISSION OR PROPRIETARY PUBLIC ENTITY WITHIN 60 DAYS.
- 16 (c) Discussions and negotiations with proposing entities. -- A
- 17 proprietary public entity, and the Transportation Commission
- 18 where its approval is required, may conduct discussions and
- 19 <u>negotiations with public or private entities which have</u>
- 20 <u>submitted solicited or unsolicited proposals for the purpose of</u>
- 21 <u>clarification to assure full understanding of the proposals or</u>
- 22 the responsiveness of solicited proposals to solicitation
- 23 requirements.
- 24 (d) Design build development; Separations Act
- 25 <u>inapplicable.--Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the</u>
- 26 contrary:
- 27 (1) any proposal made pursuant to this chapter may
- 28 provide for the design build mode of infrastructure
- 29 <u>development; and</u>
- 30 (2) in no event shall an authorized development entity

- or entities be subject to the requirements of the Separations
- 2 Act in connection with a transportation development agreement
- 3 <u>authorized pursuant to this chapter.</u>
- 4 (e) Federal credit assistance. -- The approving body or bodies
- 5 and affected local jurisdictions may apply for, execute or
- 6 <u>endorse applications by prospective authorized development</u>
- 7 entities to obtain Federal credit assistance for a qualifying
- 8 transportation project.
- 9 (f) Adverse interests of proposing private entity.--
- 10 (1) Except as provided in paragraph (2), a private
- entity which is a State advisor or State consultant for the
- 12 <u>Transportation Commission, the department, the Pennsylvania</u>
- 13 <u>Turnpike Commission or any other proprietary public entity</u>
- 14 shall not be deemed to be in violation of the State Adverse
- 15 Interest Act if the private entity:
- 16 (i) prepares or submits a proposal or a response to
- 17 <u>a request for proposals under this section;</u>
- 18 (ii) negotiates or enters into a transportation
- development agreement; or
- 20 <u>(iii) engages in other activities in furtherance of</u>
- 21 <u>the provisions or purposes of this chapter.</u>
- 22 (2) A private entity which submits an unsolicited
- 23 proposal or a response to a request for proposals shall be
- 24 <u>prohibited from providing advice to the Transportation</u>
- 25 Commission, the department, the Pennsylvania Turnpike
- 26 Commission or a proprietary public entity on its proposal,
- any competing proposal or a request for proposals for which
- it has submitted a response.
- 29 (g) Fees.--The approving body or bodies may require that a
- 30 <u>nonrefundable fee accompany any solicited or unsolicited</u>

- 1 proposal submitted pursuant to this section to cover all or part
- 2 of the costs of processing, reviewing and evaluating the
- 3 proposal.
- 4 (h) Confidentiality of records. -- To encourage public and
- 5 private entities to submit proposals under subsections (a) and
- 6 (b), the following information shall be considered confidential,
- 7 and shall not be considered a public record subject to
- 8 <u>disclosure</u>, <u>public inspection or copying under the Right-to-Know</u>
- 9 Law, or any other act, until a final transportation development
- 10 agreement for a proposed qualifying transportation project is
- 11 entered into:
- 12 (1) All or part of a proposal, whether solicited or
- 13 <u>unsolicited</u>, submitted by a public or private entity or any
- 14 partnership of the entities for a proposed qualifying
- transportation project, except information regarding the
- 16 scope, location and limits of the project and information
- 17 <u>pertaining to a public or private entity's qualifications</u>,
- 18 experience, technical competence and capability to develop
- 19 the project.
- 20 (2) Information and records created during any
- 21 <u>discussions or negotiations arising from the process as</u>
- described in subsection (c).
- 23 (i) Disclosure of records. -- Notwithstanding subsection (h),
- 24 <u>after a transportation development agreement has been entered</u>
- 25 into, the entire selected proposal shall be considered a public
- 26 record for purposes of disclosure under the Right-to-Know Law.
- 27 Promptly after a transportation development agreement has been
- 28 <u>entered into, the approving body or bodies shall also make</u>
- 29 available for inspection and copying by the public a summary of
- 30 the terms of the selected proposal and a written explanation of

- 1 the basis upon which the selection was made. Proprietary
- 2 <u>information contained in proposals not selected and records of</u>
- 3 negotiations with private entities not selected shall continue
- 4 to be exempt from public disclosure.
- 5 § 9106. Review and selection of proposals.
- 6 (a) Timing of review. -- For proposals subject to its
- 7 approval, the Transportation Commission, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE <-
- 8 <u>DEPARTMENT</u>, by published regulations shall promulgate procedures
- 9 and guidelines that establish the process for the review and
- 10 <u>selection of a proposal submitted pursuant to section 9105(a)</u>
- 11 and (b) (relating to proposals for transportation development
- 12 agreements). THE DEPARTMENT SHALL PUBLISH INTERIM GUIDELINES
- 13 WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION AND
- 14 SHALL PUBLISH FINAL REGULATIONS WITHIN TWO YEARS OF THE
- 15 <u>EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION. The guidelines shall establish:</u>
- 16 (1) a specific schedule for the timing of the review of
- the proposals by the approving body or bodies designed with a
- high priority placed upon a review schedule requiring less
- 19 than 135 days;
- 20 (2) a process for alteration of that schedule if the
- 21 <u>approving body or bodies deem that changes are necessary</u>
- 22 because of the scope or complexity of proposals received; and
- 23 (3) the type and amount of information that is necessary
- 24 <u>for adequate review of proposals. A proprietary public entity</u>
- 25 <u>shall promulgate its own procedures and guidelines for the</u>
- 26 <u>review and selection of proposals which do not require</u>
- 27 Transportation Commission approval.
- 28 (b) Asset valuation. -- In evaluating any submitted proposal,
- 29 the approving body or bodies may rely on internal reports
- 30 prepared by staff familiar with the operation of similar

- 1 transportation facilities or may engage the services of the
- 2 private consultants, engineers and other experts as the
- 3 approving body or bodies determine are necessary or desirable
- 4 for the purposes of performing the evaluations. As part of each
- 5 evaluation of any submitted proposal, the approving body or
- 6 bodies shall be required to obtain a financial and valuation
- 7 <u>assessment with respect to the proposed qualifying</u>
- 8 transportation project from a qualified independent advisor with
- 9 <u>experience and expertise with similar transportation facilities.</u>
- 10 (c) Factors for review and selection of proposals. -- The
- 11 appropriate approving body or bodies may consider the following
- 12 factors in reviewing and selecting a proposal to enter into a
- 13 <u>transportation development agreement:</u>
- 14 (1) the ability of the qualifying transportation project
- to improve safety, reduce congestion, increase capacity and
- 16 <u>promote economic growth;</u>
- 17 (2) the compatibility of the proposal with existing
- 18 local or regional land use plans or the commitment of local
- 19 communities to approve plans in preparation for the proposed
- 20 <u>project;</u>
- 21 (3) the proposed cost of and financial plan for the
- 22 qualifying transportation project;
- 23 (4) the general reputation, qualifications, industry
- 24 experience and financial capacity of the entity or entities
- submitting the proposal;
- 26 (5) the proposed design, operation and feasibility of
- 27 the qualifying transportation project;
- 28 (6) comments from local citizens and affected local
- 29 <u>jurisdictions;</u>
- 30 (7) benefits to the public;

- 1 (8) the safety record of the entity or entities
- 2 <u>submitting the proposal; and</u>
- 3 (9) other criteria that the approving body or bodies
- 4 <u>deem appropriate</u>.
- 5 § 9107. Affected local jurisdictions.
- 6 The Transportation Commission by published regulations shall
- 7 promulgate procedures and guidelines that establish a process in
- 8 which affected local jurisdictions receive notice of a proposed
- 9 <u>qualifying transportation project and have an opportunity to</u>
- 10 provide input regarding the project before a transportation
- 11 <u>development agreement is executed. For proposed qualifying</u>
- 12 <u>transportation projects which do not require approval of the</u>
- 13 Transportation Commission under section 9104(a) (relating to
- 14 transportation development agreements), the proprietary public
- 15 <u>entity shall promulgate its own procedures and guidelines by</u>
- 16 which affected local jurisdictions receive notice of a proposed
- 17 qualifying transportation project and have an opportunity to
- 18 provide input prior to the execution of a transportation
- 19 development agreement.
- 20 § 9108. Terms and conditions of transportation development
- 21 <u>agreements.</u>
- 22 (a) Proprietary public entity and authorized development
- 23 entity negotiations. -- Except as otherwise expressly provided in
- 24 <u>section 9105</u> (relating to proposals for transportation
- 25 development agreements) and this section, a proprietary public
- 26 <u>entity may enter into a transportation development agreement</u>
- 27 with an authorized development entity or entities without regard
- 28 to the provisions of 62 Pa.C.S. Pt. 1 (relating to Commonwealth
- 29 Procurement Code). The proprietary public entity and authorized
- 30 <u>development entity or entities are expressly authorized to</u>

- 1 negotiate the provisions of a transportation development
- 2 <u>agreement</u>.
- 3 (A.1) INTERIM AGREEMENT.--PRIOR TO COMPLETION OF A
- 4 TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT, A PROPRIETARY PUBLIC
- 5 ENTITY AND AN AUTHORIZED DEVELOPMENT ENTITY MAY NEGOTIATE AN

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- 6 INTERIM AGREEMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF FURTHER DEFINING PROJECT
- 7 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT, ADVANCE RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION,
- 8 DESIGN AND ENGINEERING, ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS AND MITIGATION,
- 9 <u>SURVEYING, CONDUCTING TRANSPORTATION AND REVENUE STUDIES AND</u>
- 10 ASCERTAINING THE AVAILABILITY OF FINANCING FOR THE PROPOSED
- 11 QUALIFYING TRANSPORTATION FACILITY OR FACILITIES. THE INTERIM
- 12 AGREEMENT MAY ALSO ESTABLISH THE PROCESS AND TIMING OF THE
- 13 <u>NEGOTIATION OF THE COMPREHENSIVE AGREEMENT AND ANY OTHER</u>
- 14 PROVISIONS RELATED TO ANY ASPECT OF THE DEVELOPMENT OR OPERATION
- 15 OF A QUALIFYING TRANSPORTATION FACILITY THAT THE PARTIES MAY
- 16 <u>DEEM APPROPRIATE</u>.
- 17 (b) Required provisions.--A transportation development
- 18 agreement entered into under this chapter shall provide for the
- 19 <u>following:</u>
- 20 (1) a process by which the authorized development entity
- or entities implements, sets and adjusts any user fees on any
- 22 transportation facility;
- 23 (2) the methodologies, indices or other factors for the
- 24 <u>setting and adjusting of user fees;</u>
- 25 <u>(3) the original term of the transportation development</u>
- 26 <u>agreement</u>, which may not exceed 50 years;
- 27 (4) dates for the beginning and completion of
- 28 <u>construction of or improvements to the qualifying</u>
- 29 <u>transportation project;</u>
- 30 (5) the transportation facility acquired or constructed

- 1 <u>pursuant to a transportation development agreement is public</u>
- 2 property that is leased to the authorized development entity
- and belongs to the proprietary public entity;
- 4 (6) that upon termination of the transportation
- 5 <u>development agreement, the transportation facility must be in</u>
- 6 <u>a state of proper maintenance and repair and shall be</u>
- 7 returned to the proprietary public entity in satisfactory
- 8 <u>condition at no further cost to the public entity;</u>
- 9 (7) maintenance of a policy or policies of liability
- insurance, copies of which shall be filed with the
- 11 proprietary public entity accompanied by proofs of coverage,
- or self insurance, each in form and amount satisfactory to
- the proprietary public entity and reasonably sufficient to
- insure coverage of tort liability to the public and employees
- and to enable the continued operation of the transportation
- 16 <u>facility; and</u>
- 17 (8) that the authorized development entity shall comply
- 18 with the act of August 15, 1961 (P.L.987, No.442), known as
- the Pennsylvania Prevailing Wage Act, and 62 Pa.C.S. § 107
- 20 <u>(relating to reciprocal limitations).</u>
- 21 § 9109. Material default; remedies.
- 22 (a) General rule. -- Upon the occurrence and during the
- 23 continuation of a material default of a transportation
- 24 <u>development agreement by an authorized development entity or</u>
- 25 entities, the approving body or bodies may:
- 26 (1) Elect to take over the transportation facility which
- is the subject of the transportation development agreement,
- 28 <u>including the succession of all right, title and interest in</u>
- 29 <u>the transportation facility, subject to any liens on revenues</u>
- 30 previously granted by the authorized development entity or

- 1 entities.
- 2 (2) Terminate the transportation development agreement
- 3 and exercise any other rights and remedies that may be
- 4 <u>available</u>.
- 5 (b) Takeover. -- In the event that the approving body or
- 6 bodies elect to take over a transportation facility under
- 7 <u>subsection (a), the approving body or bodies:</u>
- 8 (1) Shall collect and pay any revenues that are subject
- 9 <u>to lien to satisfy any obligation.</u>
- 10 (2) May develop and operate the transportation facility,
- impose user fees for the use of the transportation facility
- 12 <u>and comply with any service contracts.</u>
- 13 (3) May solicit proposals for the maintenance and
- operation of the transportation facility under section 9105
- 15 <u>(relating to proposals for transportation development</u>
- 16 agreements).
- 17 § 9110. Financing qualifying transportation projects.
- 18 (a) User fees.--
- 19 (1) Each transportation development agreement shall
- 20 <u>authorize the authorized development entity or entities to</u>
- 21 <u>impose user fees for use of the transportation facility.</u>
- 22 Unless specifically prohibited in the transportation
- 23 development agreement, the authorization shall permit the
- 24 <u>imposition of user fees on transportation facilities not</u>
- 25 currently subject to user fees, subject to compliance with
- 26 applicable Federal and State law and approval by the
- 27 Transportation Commission.
- 28 (2) The transportation development agreement may
- 29 <u>authorize the authorized development entity or entities to</u>
- 30 collect tolls or user fees through both conventional methods

- and nonconventional methods, including, but not limited to,
- 2 <u>automatic vehicle identification systems, electronic toll</u>
- 3 <u>collection systems and, to the extent permitted by law,</u>
- 4 <u>video-based toll-collection enforcement.</u>
- 5 (3) A maximum rate of return on investment shall be
- 6 negotiated by the proprietary public entity and the
- 7 <u>authorized development entity or entities and stated in the</u>
- 8 <u>transportation development agreement.</u>
- 9 <u>(4) After expiration of the original term of the</u>
- transportation development agreement, the proprietary public
- 11 <u>entity may continue to charge user fees for the use of the</u>
- 12 <u>transportation facility.</u>
- 13 (5) User fees under a transportation development
- 14 agreement shall generally be uniform for similar persons and
- vehicles traveling under like conditions, except as may be
- 16 required to mitigate congestion on and preserve capacity of
- 17 the transportation facility which is the subject of the
- 18 transportation development agreement.
- 19 (b) Bonding authority.--A proprietary public entity or
- 20 <u>authorized development entity or entities may authorize the</u>
- 21 issuance of debt, equity or other securities or obligations to
- 22 pay all or part of the costs of a qualifying transportation
- 23 project and may secure any such financing with a pledge of,
- 24 security interest in or lien on any of the user fees charged and
- 25 <u>collected for the use of the transportation facility. However,</u>
- 26 any bonds, debt, other securities or other financing issued for
- 27 the purposes of this chapter shall be limited obligations of the
- 28 proprietary public entity or authorized development entity or
- 29 <u>entities and shall not be considered to constitute a debt of the</u>
- 30 Commonwealth or any political subdivision thereof or a pledge of

- 1 the full faith and credit of the Commonwealth or any political
- 2 <u>subdivision thereof</u>.
- 3 (c) Limited recourse bonds backed by pledge of portion of
- 4 Motor License Fund revenues. -- (Reserved).
- 5 § 9111. Power of eminent domain.
- 6 At the request of an authorized development entity or
- 7 <u>entities</u>, the proprietary public entity or an affected local
- 8 jurisdiction otherwise possessing the power of eminent domain
- 9 may exercise that power for the purpose of acquiring any real
- 10 property or interests therein deemed necessary to advance the
- 11 <u>development or operation of a qualifying transportation project.</u>
- 12 Any amounts payable in any such eminent domain proceeding may be
- 13 paid by the proprietary public entity or the authorized
- 14 <u>development entity or entities.</u>
- 15 § 9112. Police powers; motor vehicle laws.
- 16 (a) Powers and jurisdiction. -- All law enforcement officers
- 17 of the Commonwealth and each affected local jurisdiction shall
- 18 have the same powers and jurisdiction within the limits of a
- 19 qualifying transportation project as they have in their
- 20 <u>respective areas of jurisdiction</u>, and law enforcement officers
- 21 shall have access to the qualifying transportation project at
- 22 any time for the purpose of exercising their law enforcement
- 23 powers and jurisdiction.
- 24 (b) Enforcement of traffic laws. -- To the extent the
- 25 qualifying transportation project includes a highway, bridge,
- 26 <u>tunnel</u>, <u>overpass or similar transportation facility for motor</u>
- 27 vehicles, the traffic and motor vehicle laws of this
- 28 Commonwealth or, if applicable, any local jurisdiction shall be
- 29 the same as those applying to conduct on similar transportation
- 30 facilities in the Commonwealth or the local jurisdiction.

- 1 (c) Payment of law enforcement costs. -- The authorized
- 2 <u>development entity or entities shall be responsible for the</u>
- 3 payment of all costs associated with the provision of law
- 4 enforcement services pursuant to subsections (a) and (b) within
- 5 the limits of a qualifying transportation project.
- 6 (d) Fines. -- Fines imposed by law enforcement officers for
- 7 <u>violations occurring within the limits of a qualifying</u>
- 8 transportation project shall be imposed, collected, distributed
- 9 and governed as otherwise provided by applicable law.
- 10 § 9113. Taxation of authorized development entity or entities.
- 11 <u>(a) General rule.--To the extent that revenues or user fees</u>
- 12 received by an authorized development entity or entities are
- 13 <u>subject to any tax imposed by a political subdivision prior to</u>
- 14 the effective date of this chapter, the revenues or user fees
- 15 shall continue to be subject to the tax and to future increases
- 16 <u>in the rate of the tax.</u>
- 17 (b) New taxation barred.--After the effective date of this
- 18 chapter, no new tax shall be imposed by a political subdivision
- 19 on the revenues or user fees received by an authorized
- 20 <u>development entity or entities.</u>
- 21 <u>(c) Realty transfer tax.--No transportation development</u>
- 22 agreement, lease, concession, franchise or other contract
- 23 <u>involving real property of a qualifying transportation project</u>
- 24 <u>shall be subject to any Commonwealth or local realty transfer</u>
- 25 tax imposed under the act of December 31, 1965 (P.L.1257,
- 26 No.511), known as The Local Tax Enabling Act, the act of March
- 27 4, 1971 (P.L.6, No.2), known as the Tax Reform Code of 1971, or
- 28 <u>a successor statute.</u>
- 29 (d) Property. -- Property used in connection with a qualifying
- 30 transportation project shall be considered public property and

- 1 is exempt from ad valorem property taxes and special assessments
- 2 <u>levied against property by the Commonwealth or any political</u>
- 3 subdivision.
- 4 § 9114. Pennsylvania Transportation Development Trust Fund.
- 5 (a) Establishment of fund. -- The Pennsylvania Transportation
- 6 Development Trust Fund is hereby established separate and
- 7 <u>distinct from the General Fund of the Commonwealth. Interest</u>
- 8 earned on moneys held in the fund shall be credited to the fund.
- 9 The Transportation Commission shall hold, administer and manage
- 10 the fund, and expenses of administering the fund shall be paid
- 11 <u>from money in the fund.</u>
- 12 (b) Separate accounts. -- Within the fund, separate accounts
- 13 and subaccounts may be established.
- 14 (c) Deposits.--Subject to the provisions of a transportation
- 15 <u>development agreement</u>, the following moneys may be deposited
- 16 into the fund:
- 17 (1) Payments received from an authorized development
- 18 entity or entities under a transportation development
- 19 agreement.
- 20 (2) Revenues received from a qualifying transportation
- 21 <u>project pursuant to a transportation development agreement</u>
- 22 with an authorized development entity or entities.
- 23 (3) Excess earnings over the negotiated maximum rate of
- 24 <u>return for an authorized development entity or entities in a</u>
- 25 <u>transportation development agreement.</u>
- 26 (4) Surcharges or other service fees or user fees which
- 27 may be imposed or levied by the Commonwealth on passenger or
- 28 <u>commercial travel.</u>
- 29 (5) Appropriations, if any, made by the General
- 30 <u>Assembly.</u>

- 1 (6) Interest, premiums, gains or other earnings on the
- 2 <u>fund</u>.
- 3 (7) Any other moneys from any sources, public or
- 4 private, that are done by donation, grant, contract, law or
- 5 <u>other means transferred, allocated or appropriated to the</u>
- 6 <u>fund</u>.
- 7 (d) Permitted uses.--
- 8 (1) The fund shall be a separate trust fund to be
- 9 <u>appropriated and used by the Transportation Commission, upon</u>
- 10 majority vote thereof, solely for the operation and
- development of transportation facilities wholly or partly
- 12 <u>within this Commonwealth. Included as a permitted use of fund</u>
- moneys is the funding of regional mobility authorities
- 14 <u>designated by the Transportation Commission under section</u>
- 15 9115 (relating to regional mobility account, etc.).
- 16 (2) Money may not be transferred, assigned or otherwise
- 17 removed from the fund except by the Transportation Commission
- 18 and not by the General Assembly or any other agency,
- 19 authority or other political subdivision of the Commonwealth.
- 20 (3) Money in the fund at the end of the fiscal year
- 21 shall not revert to the General Fund.
- 22 § 9115. Regional mobility account, etc.
- 23 (Reserved).
- 24 § 9116. Regional mobility authority.
- 25 A regional mobility authority shall be eligible to receive
- 26 <u>transportation development revenues directly from the fund or</u>
- 27 <u>from a regional mobility fund. An existing local governmental</u>
- 28 entity shall be eligible for designation as a regional mobility
- 29 <u>authority upon application to the Transportation Commission.</u>
- 30 § 9117. Turnpike lease restricted.

- 1 The Pennsylvania Turnpike, its additions and lease properties
- may not be subject to a transfer of oversight responsibilities 2
- 3 through a lease, sale or other agreement unless specific
- authority is granted through an act of law passed by a majority 4
- of members of the General Assembly. This section shall not 5
- restrict the ability of the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission or 6
- 7 the Transportation Commission to consider and approve
- partnership agreements which do not require a transfer of 8
- operational oversight from the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission. 9
- Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days. 10