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## In consideration of HOUSE BILL 1972, HOUSE DRAFT 1 RELATING TO A HISTORIC PRESERVATION

House Bill 1972, House Draft 1 proposes to allow the State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) of the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) to set fees for services provided by the Division, and for archaeological permits, as long as fees, donations, fines and other income do not exceed the operating expenses of the Division. While the Department supports the intent of this bill as it allows SHPD to set fees deemed reasonable to partially defray the expenses of the Division, the Department prefers the original version with the effective date as "upon its approval".

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## H.B. 1972 H.D. 1 RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION

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The Department of Transportation supports the intent of this bill with the following comments:

This bill is anticipated to aid the DOT in facilitating and coordinating its projects with the Department of Land and Natural Resources State Historic Preservation Division more efficiently and effectively during the design phase.

Paragraph (15) should be revised to include provisions to base fees commensurate on the nature and complexity of projects.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

