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**RELATING TO METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS**

Senate Committee on Ways and Means

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The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports** this bill, which requires any metropolitan planning organization serving a metropolitan planning area within the jurisdiction of a county to include on its policy board at least one member that shall be a resident of the applicable metropolitan planning area and a member of the senate appointed by the president of the senate; and at least one member that shall be a resident of the applicable metropolitan area and a member of the house of representative appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives. Legislative representation will provide legislative guidance and perspective on policy decisions as the legislature provides the authority for federal and state fund expenditures.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.