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To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 542

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE
2 COMMITTEE ON PERFORMANCE EVALUATION AND EXPENDITURE REVIEW (PEER)
3 AND THE STATE AUDITOR TO JOINTLY CONDUCT A REVIEW OF THE
4 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 1987
5 FOUR-LANE HIGHWAY PROGRAM; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
7 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That
8 the Joint Legislative Committee on Performance Evaluation and
9 Expenditure Review (PEER) shall conduct a follow-up of its 1993
10 review of the Department of Transportation's implementation of the
11 1987 Four-Lane Highway program. The review shall include an
12 analysis of at least the following items:

13 (a) The current status of the program;

14 (b) The effectiveness of the department's methods for
15 prioritizing and implementing the construction schedule of the
16 program;

17 (c) The effectiveness of the department's methods for
18 ensuring compliance with statutory deadlines for completion of the
19 program;

20 (d) The sufficiency of revenues needed to complete the
21 program; and

22 (e) Identification of any inefficiencies in program

23 implementation affecting program cost.

24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That pursuant to Section 5-3-65,
25 Mississippi Code of 1972, the PEER committee shall request that
26 the State Auditor conduct an audit of actual 1987 Four-Lane
27 Highway program revenues and expenditures through December 31,
28 1999. In addition, the State Auditor shall determine that the
29 revenues dedicated to the program have been collected, remitted,
30 and expended in compliance with law. The State Auditor's report
31 shall be incorporated into and published as part of the PEER
32 Committee's performance review.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Secretary of State shall
34 forward a certified copy of this resolution to the State Auditor
35 and the Executive Director of the PEER Committee.