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Short Title: Secondary Road Paving. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Buchanan.

Referred to: Transportation.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO CONDEMN LAND FOR SECONDARY ROAD PAVING OR MAINTENANCE PROJECTS WHEN THE OWNERS OF THE MAJORITY OF THE ROAD FRONTAGE ADJACENT TO THE PROJECT AGREE TO PROVIDE THE NECESSARY RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR THE PROJECT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 136-44.7(c) reads as rewritten:

"(c) When it is necessary for the Department of Transportation to acquire a right-of-way in accordance with (a) and (b) of this section in order to pave a secondary road or undertake a maintenance project, the Department shall negotiate the acquisition of the right-of-way for a period of up to six months. At the end of that period, if one or more property owners have not dedicated the necessary right-of-way and at least seventy-five percent (75%) of the property owners adjacent to the project and the owners of seventy five percent (75%) the majority of the road frontage adjacent to the project have dedicated the necessary property for the right-of-way and have provided funds required by Department rule to the Department to cover the costs of condemning the remaining property, the Department shall initiate condemnation proceedings pursuant to Article 9 of this Chapter to acquire the remaining property necessary for the project."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.