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HOUSE DRH50881-ME-98 (05/13)

Short Title: Require DOT Type II Noise Abatement Policy.

(Public)

Sponsors: Representative Heagarty.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO DIRECT THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
3 TO IDENTIFY AND DETERMINE IMPACTED AND ELIGIBLE LOCATIONS FOR
4 TYPE II NOISE ABATEMENT.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** The Department of Transportation is appropriated one hundred fifty
7 thousand dollars (\$150,000) to determine which areas of the State would most benefit from
8 noise abatement measures on "Type II" projects, which include retrofitting existing roads,
9 maintenance projects, guardrail projects, rehabilitation projects, updating existing facilities, and
10 the addition of auxiliary lanes.

11 The Department shall amend its existing "NCDOT Traffic Noise Abatement Policy"
12 to consider noise abatement measures on "Type II" projects, in addition to the current
13 consideration of noise abatement measures on "Type I" projects, which include only new
14 construction or reconstruction of highways.

15 As part of implementing this noise abatement plan for "Type II" projects, the
16 Department of Transportation shall do the following:

- 17 (1) Identify locations likely impacted by noise.
- 18 (2) Determine which of the impacted and eligible locations could receive noise
19 reduction benefits, at a reasonable cost, from construction of a barrier.
- 20 (3) Determine which of the identified locations meet Federal Highway
21 Administration eligibility for federal funding.

22 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2010.



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