

Substitute House Bill 62
Transportation Budget Sub Bill Summary
Senate Transportation Committee – Tuesday March 19th

- Requires future governors to always submit Transportation budgets to the General Assembly within 4 weeks after it first convenes. Retains March 15th for a newly inaugurated governor's operating budget
- ~~Changes~~ Changes definitions of plug-in electric vehicle to include certain battery cell powered energy system. Decreases fees from \$200 to \$175 and fees for hybrid vehicles from \$100 to \$75. All fees distributed per MFT formula
- Restores the 150-mile restriction for special regional heavy hauling permits
- Removes provisions of the bill related to low-speed scooters
- ~~Requires~~ Requires gas stations to display gas and diesel tax rates and statistics through stickers or other methods chosen by retailer such as on receipts or displayed at entrances
- ~~Eliminates~~ Eliminates the provision requiring the Registrar to establish a \$5 deputy registrar service fee and allows the Registrar to adopt rules to set the fee at no more than \$5.25
- Permits an individual exempted from wearing a seatbelt due to a physical impairment to receive a driver's license or state ID indicating the driver's impairment
- Requires the use of dynamic characters in an international symbol of access
- Requires ODOT to study fees for overweight vehicle permits and the general impact of overweight vehicles on Ohio's infrastructure by October 1, 2019
- ~~Changes~~ Changes the CNG tax rate from the gasoline gallon equivalent for compressed natural gas to the diesel gallon equivalent
- ~~Removes~~ Removes all provisions regarding traffic cameras and other associated language
- ~~Removes~~ Removes the provisions transferring \$5M each year from the Oil and Gas well fund to various political subdivisions
- Eliminates the proposed Catastrophic Snowfall Fund
- ~~At the request of PWC, delays until FY 22 the proposed allocation changes for emergency purposes under SCIP (State Capital Improvement Program)~~
- Removes the provision allowing earphones while operating a motorcycle
- ~~Requires~~ Requires Controlling Board approval before certain transfers by DPS from the State Highway Safety fund to the Highway Purposes fund
- ~~Modifies~~ Modifies introduced provision transferring \$35M GRF in FY 21 for the operations of the Highway Patrol. The change appropriates the money directly to a GRF line item
- ~~Increases~~ Increases county force account limits to \$150K for roads and to \$300K for bridges and culverts. Also, increases force account limits for municipalities and townships to \$150K and makes other administrative changes
- Deletes provisions expanding authority for additional variable speed zones
- Removes the provision requiring ODOT to give a report on the Eastern Bypass
- Requires PUCO to oversee peer-to-peer car sharing programs, removes insurance related provisions and requires operators of public-use airport to adopt standards
- ~~Removes~~ Removes the provisions mandating background checks for emergency medical personnel and the funding transfer from the State Fire Marshal fund

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- Deletes provision permitting CNG and LNG vehicles to exceed weight and load limits on interstate highways
- Changes the \$1.50 lamination fee for drivers' licenses to a fee associated with document processing
- ~~–~~ Removes provision allowing municipalities to levy an additional \$5 license tax
- ~~–~~ Removes provision allowing townships to levy an additional \$5 license tax
- ~~–~~ Changes a provision so transit contractors receive MFT reimbursements equal to what the public entity contracting for the work would have received
- Requires ODOT to study the economic impact of the Ohio River by December 31, 2019
- Permits chartered nonpublic schools to charge transportation fees for school-sponsored activities, not just to and from school. Also in some situations permits chartered nonpublic schools to transport via passenger vans
- Eliminates the Financial Responsibility Random Verification Program as of January 1, 2020
- Eliminates the \$85 cap on charges for administering a CDL skills test. Instead allows for a reasonable and competitively priced fee
- Removes the provision allowing the transfer of GRF to pay for state employees 27th pay check
- Restores HB 26 (132nd GA) language regarding ODOT transfer authority for inclement weather
- ~~–~~ Modifies the language requiring the installation of signs and traffic control devices in some situations
- Removes the provision placing a moratorium on closing rest stops
- Deletes provisions dealing with towing of motor vehicles by a port authority
- Requires Controlling Board approval before the transfer of monies from the Contraband and Forfeiture fund in the Department of Public Safety
- ~~–~~ Reverts the appropriations for the 629 Roadwork Development Fund to the as-introduced amount of \$15.2M per FY
- ~~–~~ Removes the provision requiring the Auditor of State to make an annual, unannounced financial audit of ODOT and each regional transit authority
- ~~–~~ Requires the Auditor of State to complete a performance audit on ODOT not later than October 1, 2019
- Removes the provision which dealt with skateboards and motor vehicles
- ~~–~~ Removes the provision that changes the MFT distribution of any new revenues for townships
- ~~–~~ Provides counties with an exemption from purchasing requirements when buying used supplies like equipment at a public auction
- ~~–~~ Clarifies that prior to county commissioners expending funds for social services in the county, the transit system shall enter into an agreement with the local government entity responsible for administering the funds

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- ~~—~~Specifies that the Motor Fuel tax may not be used for any other purpose other than for roads and bridges
- Clarifies language in bill dealing with independent contractors and their agreements with hiring entities. Excludes individuals from coverage under FUTA to comply with unemployment standards
- Designates a portion of State Route 63 in Warren County as the “SFC John E. Conger, Jr. Memorial Highway”
- Designates a portion of SR 122 in Butler and Warren Counties as the “SFC Charles E. Carpenter Memorial Highway”
- Redirects a previous capital appropriation for \$50K from the Van Wert Rotary Athletic Complex Improvements Project to the Van Wert Jubilee Park Improvements Project
- Designates a portion of SR 2 in Lake County as the “Patrolman Mathew J. Mazany Memorial Highway”
- When a county mental health board and addiction services board are merging, the commissioners’ appointments shall have at least 1 year of experience on one of the two boards
- Removes the provision that would exempt from the sales tax motor fuel used in heavy trucks in certain situations
- Removes provision permitting the State Superintendent to contract for pupil transportation services
- ~~—~~Removes the provision allowing a transit authority to levy a tax specifically for infrastructure projects
- Requires Controlling Board approval before the transfer of funds in order to reimburse for capital upgrades to the Shipley Building
- ~~—~~Removes the provisions dealing with the creation, operations and dissolution of a regional transit authority
- ~~—~~Clarifies any agency receiving MFT over \$100K must post annual updates on their website