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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

A Joint Resolution creating a special highway study committee to review and study information relating to highway construction and the effect of traffic thereon, and to make a report of legislation necessary to preserve our highway system and guide future expenditures, and to make an appropriation to said committee.

WHEREAS, the State of Iowa has many millions of dollars invested in its highway systems, and

WHEREAS, for the protection of highways now constructed and as a guide to the judicious expenditure of future sums for new construction and the proportion that various kinds of traffic should bear of said expense, it is imperative that the General Assembly have accurate and scientific information on the wear and deterioration which modern traffic imposes on our highways, and

WHEREAS, there is now being conducted at LaPlata, Maryland, with the co-operation of the highway departments of various states, motor vehicle manufacturers, and oil companies, exhaustive tests of the effect of various kinds of traffic on different types of highway construction, and

WHEREAS, it seems of the utmost importance that the State of Iowa, through its General Assembly should study the results of these tests and any other information that may be available,

NOW THEREFORE

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- 1 Section 1. There is hereby created a special interim
- 2 highway study committee. Said committee shall consist of two

3 members of the Senate of the 54th General Assembly to be ap-
4 pointed by the President of the Senate and two members of the
5 House of Representatives of the 54th General Assembly to be
6 appointed by the Speaker and two citizens of Iowa to be appointed
7 by the Governor. Any vacancy shall be filled in the same manner
8 as original appointments. The committee shall choose a chairman
9 from its membership and adopt such rules for conduct of its
10 proceedings as shall be necessary.

1 Sec. 2. The committee shall make a comprehensive study
2 of all available information mentioned in the preamble hereof
3 and any other information that may be found.

1 Sec. 3. The committee shall have the co-operation of the
2 state highway commission, the Iowa State College and all other
3 state departments. It shall make a report of needed legislation,
4 including drafts of proposed bills, to the governor on or before
5 November 15, 1952. Upon making of its report the committee
6 shall stand discharged of its duties hereunder. The governor
7 shall cause the report to be printed and distributed to the
8 elected members of the 55th General Assembly on or before Decem-
9 ber 15, 1952.

1 Sec. 4. The committee is hereby empowered to employ a
2 secretary and such other employees and assistants as are neces-
3 sary for the proper conduct of the business of the committee,
4 and to fix the compensation of such employees. All members of
5 the committee shall be reimbursed for the actual and necessary
6 expenses incurred by them in the discharge of their duties.

7 Members of the committee appointed by the governor shall receive
 8 a compensation of twenty dollars (\$20.00) per day for days
 9 actually engaged in work of the committee. Legislative members
 10 of the committee shall receive as compensation such amounts as
 11 the 55th General Assembly may allow.

12 The executive council shall provide the committee with a
 13 suitable office and with necessary office supplies and equipment
 14 for the conduct of its business.

1 Sec. 5. The sum of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00)
 2 or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated
 3 out of the General Fund of the State for the purposes herein
 4 contemplated, except printing.

5 The chairman of the committee shall certify the expenses
 6 of the committee as herein provided to the state comptroller
 7 who shall issue warrants for the same from funds heretofore
 8 appropriated.

1 Sec. 6. This Joint Resolution being deemed of immediate
 2 importance shall be in full force and effect from and after
 3 publication in the, a newspaper
 4 published at, Iowa, and the,
 5, a newspaper published at, Iowa.