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The Honorable Bill Hardiman, Chair
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The Honorable Lee Gonzales, Chair
House Appropriations Subcommittee
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The Honorable John Pappageorge, Chair
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The Honorable Dudley Spade, Chair
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Dear Senators Hardiman and Pappageorge and Representatives Gonzales and Spade:

Pursuant to section 263(1) of 2008 PA 275, attached is the Michigan Department of Transportation's (MDOT's) report on policy changes made to implement enacted legislation.

If you have any questions, please contact either me or Ron DeCook, MDOT's Director of Governmental Affairs, at (517) 373-3946

Sincerely,

Kirk T. Steudle
Director

Enclosure

cc: Senate & House Appropriations Subcommittees on Transportation
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**POLICY CHANGES MADE TO IMPLEMENT ENACTED LEGISLATION
PURSUANT TO SECTION 263(1) OF 2008 PA 275**

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HB 5861 Amends section 11e and 11f of 1951 PA 51 by extending the let date for bid or construction deadline date for local federal match program fund to September 5, 2008, and identify certain projects that would be eligible under the program and exempt from the deadline.

Rep. Valentine
PA 73 of 2008 The program policy was adjusted to reflect the requirements of the statute.

SB 494 Amends section 1h of 1951 PA 51 by amending the Michigan Transportation Fund law to permit the Michigan Department of Transportation, in conducting a life-cycle cost analysis of a paving material, to use comparable historical data from other states if no Michigan data were available.

Sen. Gilbert
PA 501 of 2008 Construction and Technology policies are being adjusted to reflect the requirements of the statute.

SB 1536 Amends section 10 of 1976 PA 295, the State Transportation Preservation Act, to exclude a portion of a segment located in Petoskey from the Ann Arbor and Northwest Michigan system, and requires a local unit of government that purchased a portion of a State-owned rail line to ensure that the portion remained viable for future rail use.

Sen. Gilbert
PA 570 of 2008 The Bureau of Aeronautics and Freight Services is currently working with the City of Petoskey to convey the segmented portion of the Ann Arbor and Northwest Michigan system.