

**JOINT TRANSPORTATION PLANNING
AMENDMENTS**

2004 GENERAL SESSION
STATE OF UTAH

Sponsor: Rebecca D. Lockhart

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill modifies the Transportation Code to amend the Department of Transportation administration provisions.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ defines a metropolitan planning organization;
- ▶ requires the Department of Transportation to cooperate with metropolitan planning organizations for transportation planning and project programming;
- ▶ requires that the department cooperate with metropolitan planning organizations with contiguous boundaries, if those organizations have:
 - coordinated transportation plans and improvement programs; and
 - submitted joint comprehensive, integrated transportation plans to the department; and
- ▶ provides that the governor and local units of government may redesignate or realign metropolitan planning organizations if the governor determines that metropolitan planning organizations have failed to cooperate and submit joint transportation plans.

Monies Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:



28 None

29 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

30 ENACTS:

31 **72-1-208.5**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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33 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

34 Section 1. Section **72-1-208.5** is enacted to read:

35 **72-1-208.5. Definition -- Cooperation with metropolitan planning organizations --**
36 **Cooperation in plans and programs required.**

37 (1) As used in this section, "metropolitan planning organization" means an
38 organization established under 23 U.S.C. Sec. 134.

39 (2) The department shall cooperate with a metropolitan planning organization in the
40 metropolitan planning organization's responsibility to carry out a continuing, cooperative, and
41 comprehensive process for transportation planning and project programming.

42 (3) If a metropolitan planning organization has a contiguous boundary with another
43 metropolitan planning organization, the department shall cooperate with those organizations if
44 the metropolitan planning organizations have:

45 (a) coordinated project priorities, transportation plans, and transportation improvement
46 programs; and

47 (b) submitted joint priorities, plans, and programs to the department as comprehensive,
48 integrated transportation plans.

49 (4) Subject to the provisions of 23 U.S.C. Sec. 134, if the governor determines that
50 metropolitan planning organizations have failed to meet the guidelines under Subsection (3),
51 the governor and local units of government may redesignate or realign the metropolitan
52 planning organizations.

Legislative Review Note
as of 11-19-03 2:00 PM

A limited legal review of this legislation raises no obvious constitutional or statutory concerns.

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**Legislative Committee Note
as of 12-10-03 11:11 AM**

The Transportation Planning Task Force recommended this bill.