

General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 6673



Referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION

Introduced by: REP. WOOD K., 29th Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A HABITAT MANAGEMENT PLAN ALONG STATE HIGHWAYS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

That chapter 242 of the general statutes be amended to require the Department of Transportation to develop and implement a habitat management plan along state highways that includes provisions to (1) replant native and indigenous trees and shrubs, (2) link to neighboring pollinator pathways, (3) reduce the need for mowing and tree cutting, (4) establish buffers to address noise pollution, (5) prevent the regrowth of invasive species, and (6) reduce speeding.

Statement of Purpose:

To require the Department of Transportation to implement a habitat management plan along state highways in order to slow down motor vehicle traffic, reestablish native species of vegetation, birds and pollinators and save taxpayer money.