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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 3765

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend House Bill 3765 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the
5 Springfield High Speed Railroad Oversight Act.

6 Section 5. Definitions. For purposes of this Act:

7 "Department" means the Department of Transportation.

8 "Minority owned business", "business owned by a person with
9 a disability", and "female owned business" shall have the
10 meanings provided in Section 2 of the Business Enterprise for
11 Minorities, Females, and Persons with Disabilities Act.

12 "High Speed Rail Project" means the Illinois High Speed
13 Rail Program, led by the Illinois Department of Transportation
14 and the Federal Railroad Administration, which is designed to
15 enhance the passenger transportation network in the
16 Chicago-St. Louis corridor.

1 Section 10. Diversity program; purposes. The Department,
2 the City of Springfield, and Sangamon County shall establish
3 and maintain a diversity program to ensure environmental
4 justice, as well as local involvement and non-discrimination,
5 in all contracts related to the High Speed Rail Project in the
6 City of Springfield and Sangamon County. The program shall do
7 each of the following:

8 (1) Guarantee equal employment opportunities for socially
9 and economically disadvantaged workers, particularly in areas
10 affected by the High Speed Rail Project.

11 (2) Increase participation by minorities, women, and
12 persons with disabilities in employment opportunities.
13 Contracts related to the High Speed Rail Project shall meet a
14 goal of at least 25% minority hiring.

15 (3) Increase participation by small businesses, minority
16 owned businesses, businesses owned by a person with a
17 disability, and female owned businesses in contracting.
18 Contracts related to the High Speed Rail Project shall meet the
19 Department's existing 22.77% Disadvantaged Business Enterprise
20 participation goal for competitively let construction
21 projects.

22 (4) Provide new funds equal to 1/2 of 1% of the project
23 budget to local job training and support programs.

24 (5) Engage the full and fair participation of all
25 potentially affected communities in the transportation

1 decision making process concerning the construction of the High
2 Speed Rail Project.

3 (6) Ensure compliance with all State and federal hiring
4 regulations, including, but not limited to, goals for hiring
5 women and minorities, and prohibitions on discrimination.

6 (7) Ensure proper support and adequate resources are
7 available for the appointed rail relocation ombudsman.

8 If the implementation of any of the provisions of this
9 Section 10 would negatively affect the receipt of federal
10 funding, then the provisions of Section 10 shall not apply.

11 Section 15. Springfield High Speed Railroad Oversight
12 Commission. The Springfield High Speed Railroad Oversight
13 Commission ("Commission") is created to monitor, review, and
14 report on contracting and employment related to the planning,
15 organization, and construction of the High Speed Rail Project.
16 The Commission shall consist of 13 members who shall be
17 appointed, within 90 days of the effective date of this Act, as
18 follows:

19 (1) One member of the Senate appointed by the President of
20 the Senate, who shall serve as a Co-Chairperson of the
21 Commission.

22 (2) One member of the House of Representatives appointed by
23 the Speaker of the House, who shall serve as a Co-Chairperson
24 of the Commission.

25 (3) One member of the Senate appointed by the Minority

1 Leader of the Senate.

2 (4) One member of the House appointed by the Minority
3 Leader of the House of Representatives.

4 (5) One member appointed by the Speaker of the House of
5 Representatives representing the community surrounding the
6 Springfield High Speed Railroad project area.

7 (6) One member appointed by the Governor representing
8 community organizations operating within the community
9 surrounding the High Speed Rail Project area in Springfield.

10 (7) One member appointed by the President of the Senate
11 representing a minority chamber of commerce.

12 (8) One member appointed by the Minority Leader of the
13 Senate who is a minority or female and a licensed professional
14 engineer.

15 (9) One member appointed by the Minority Leader of the
16 House of Representatives representing the City of Springfield.

17 (10) One member appointed by the President of the Senate
18 representing Sangamon County.

19 (11) One member appointed by the Speaker of the House of
20 Representatives representing a statewide labor organization.

21 (12) One member appointed by the Governor representing the
22 Illinois Department of Transportation.

23 (13) The independent ombudsman for the 10th Street Rail
24 Corridor.

25 Section 20. Commission meetings; authority; reporting. The

1 Commission shall meet quarterly. The Commission shall have the
2 authority to convene City, County, and Department officials to
3 ensure compliance with the above stated goals.

4 On January 1, 2016, and on the first of each quarter
5 thereafter until the completion of the High Speed Rail Project,
6 the Commission shall issue a written report to the Governor,
7 President of the Senate, Speaker of the House of
8 Representatives, Minority Leader of the Senate, Minority
9 Leader of the House of Representatives, Mayor of Springfield,
10 Springfield City Council, Sangamon County Board, and the
11 Department describing in detail the Project's compliance with
12 the requirements of Section 10 of this Act. If in any reporting
13 period any portion of the Project is not in compliance with its
14 respective obligations, each entity that is not in compliance
15 shall, by the end of the first month of the reporting period,
16 file with the Commission a written explanation setting forth
17 the reason or reasons for noncompliance. The Commission shall
18 then meet within one week after receiving the written
19 explanations to discuss the stated reason or reasons for
20 noncompliance.

21 Section 25. Home rule. The requirements of this Act are
22 exclusive powers and functions of the State. This Act is a
23 denial and limitation of home rule powers and functions under
24 subsection (h) of Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois
25 Constitution.

1 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
2 becoming law.".