

Delivering Reforms and Investments for Vehicle Efficiency and Supporting Motor carriers, Airports, Rails & trails and Transit agencies

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Reforms:

- Study the PA Department of Transportation's (PennDOT) maintenance funding formula (S.R. 53-Baker).
- Create a short-term partnership with the Auditor General and the Treasurer to evaluate cost-saving measures at PennDOT.
- Provide a roadmap towards testing driverless Highly Automated Vehicles.
- Increase fines for traffic safety laws that receive the most violations, such as unregistered vehicles.
- Save the PA Turnpike Commission (PTC) \$175 million if they followed the same environmental regulations as PennDOT (*co-sponsorship memo-Langerholc*).
- Provide a vehicle registration discount to subject vehicle owners who improved their air quality in the following counties: Blair, Cambria, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Lycoming, Mercer and Westmoreland.
- Reform the Public-Private Transportation Partnership (P3) statute and void the PennDOT Pathways Major Bridges P3 Initiative (<u>S.B. 382</u>-Langerholc).
- Require PennDOT to maintain stormwater systems in rural boroughs and towns (S.B. 283-Hutchinson).
- Reinstate the registration sticker (<u>S.B. 410</u>-K. Ward).
- Create the Clean Transportation Infrastructure Act (<u>S.B. 435</u>-Mensch).
- Enhance penalties for offenses in active work zones (S.B. 614-Vogel).
- Authorize an e-scooter pilot program in Pittsburgh (co-sponsorship memo-Langerholc and Costa).
- Exempt the 5 newest model year vehicles from the emissions test (co-sponsorship memo-Langerholc).
- Streamline the home delivery of agricultural products (co-sponsorship memo-Langerholc).

Investments:

- Authorize PennDOT to bond for the Interstate Transportation Improvement Program under the innovative federal Grant Anticipation Revenue Vehicles (GARVEE) program (\$2 billion).
- Create a 5-year pilot program for Electric Vehicles to pay a Mileage Based User Fee (\$0.03 per mile) or opt-out and pay an annual fee of \$400.
- Following <u>S.B. 382-Langerholc</u>, encourage the P3 Board to consider only tolling the I-95 Gerard Point Bridge, which is the longest bridge in the State and includes a double-stack roadway (\$600 million).
- Dedicate a portion of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to provide immediate relief for the design and construction of PennDOT's highways and bridges.
- Reduce the transfer from the Motor License Fund to the PA State Police (PSP) while ensuring a reliable, sustainable funding source for the PSP (S.B. 242-Pittman).
- Provide uniform standards for "peer-to-peer" vehicle rental platforms (<u>S.B. 548</u>-Stefano).

Multimodal:

- Dedicate a portion of ARPA for transit capital improvements to provide immediate relief to PTC.
- Update Title 74 (Transportation) with an agreed-to proposal from rural and small urban transit agencies, Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority (SEPTA) and the Port Authority of Allegheny County (PAAC) to better manage transit agencies across the Commonwealth.
- Authorize local revenue generating options for SEPTA and PAAC.
- Reallocate funding over 5 years from the Public Transportation Trust Fund to support intercity passenger rail facility upgrades.
- Dedicate more funding from the Multimodal Transportation Fund for active transportation.
- Establish Airport Land Development Zones (S.B. 562-Scavello and Langerholc).
- Deregulate small airport hangar development (<u>co-sponsorship memo</u>-Langerholc)

The public is invited to provide feedback on the DRIVE SMART Act via Senator Langerholc's website: https://www.senatorlangerholc.com/drive-smart-act/.

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