

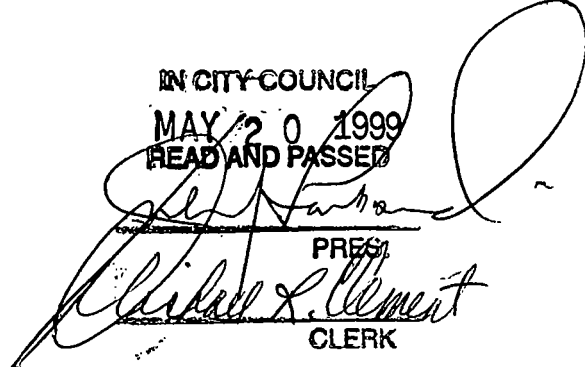
# RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

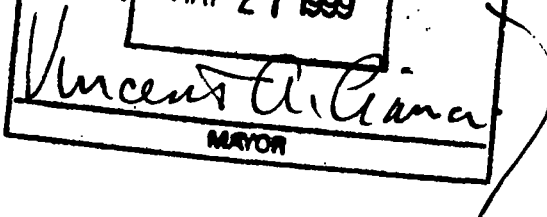
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*Approved*

May 27, 1999

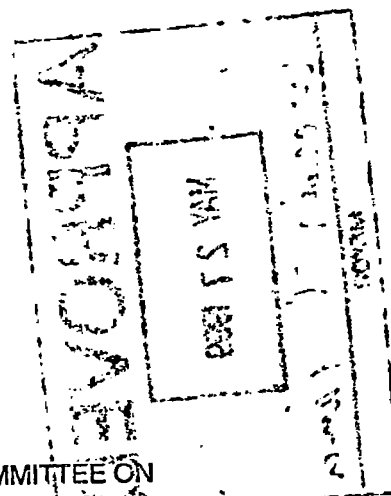
RESOLVED, That the Providence City Council hereby  
Endorses and Urges Passage by the General Assembly of House Bill H-5046  
Relating to State Aid for Local Roads, in substantially the form attached.

IN CITY COUNCIL  
MAY 20 1999  
READ AND PASSED  
  
PRES.  
CLERK

**APPROVED**  
MAY 27 1999  
  
MAYOR

IN CITY COUNCIL  
MAR 4 1999  
FIRST READING  
REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON  
STATE LEGISLATION

*Michael R. Clement* CLERK  
*Councilman De Luca*



THE COMMITTEE ON  
*State Legislation*  
Recommends Passage  
*Louis R. H...*  
MAY 17 1999

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## STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

99-H 5046

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 1999

## A N A C T

## RELATING TO STATE AID FOR LOCAL ROADS

99-H 5046

Introduced By: Reps. Fleury, Kelcey and WilliamsonDate Introduced: January 12, 1999Referred To: Committee on Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1           SECTION 1. Section 24-8-17 of the General Laws in Chapter 24-8 entitled  
2 "Construction and Maintenance of State Roads" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3           ~~24-8-17. Determination and payment of appropriations to the state, cities, and~~  
4 ~~towns. Determination and payment of appropriations to the state, cities, and towns;~~  
5 ~~minimum allocation for annual local road maintenance. --~~ The amounts which the state,  
6 cities, and towns shall receive from the appropriations provided for in this chapter, shall annually  
7 be determined by the state controller upon filing by the director of transportation of a report  
8 setting forth the number of miles of roads within the state and within each city and town which  
9 are functionally classified as: principal arterials, minor arterials, major collectors, minor  
10 collectors, and urban collectors, and within each city and town of the total number of motor  
11 vehicle registrations. The state controller is hereby authorized and directed, upon receipt by him  
12 or her of the report as provided in this section, to draw his or her orders upon the general  
13 treasurer in favor of the respective state budget officer for the payment of such sums, as may  
14 from time to time be required, or become due to the respective state, city, or town under the  
15 provisions of this chapter. Nothing in this section shall affect the federal aid transportation  
16 program.

17           ~~(b)(1) Notwithstanding subsection (a) above, the state shall provided financial aid to all~~  
18 ~~cities and towns for the purpose of maintaining local streets and roads in an amount not less than~~

1 ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) per year. Such aid shall be apportioned to the cities and towns  
2 based on the number of miles of municipal roads (as defined in section 24-8-1.3(c) and  
3 determined by the director of the department of transportation) and the total number of motor  
4 vehicle registrations (as determined by the director of the department of administration). No city  
5 or town shall receive less than twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) per year.

6 (2) Such financial aid shall be provided only to those municipalities whose governing  
7 body has adopted a plan which prioritizes its road maintenance needs, and funds received by any  
8 such municipality pursuant to this subsection shall be expended by the city or town in  
9 compliance with such plan. In the case of a city or town which has not expended any local funds  
10 for maintaining local streets and roads pursuant to such a plan, the expenditure by such a city or  
11 town of funds appropriated in the first year of this program shall be approved by the director of  
12 the department of transportation.

13 (3) In order to receive financial aid under this subsection, (i) a municipality shall  
14 annually appropriate and expend an amount not less than twenty percent (20%) of the amount of  
15 state aid it receives hereunder, and (ii) the mayor, manager or chief elected official of a  
16 municipality shall certify to the director of the department of administration that the state and  
17 local funds appropriated hereunder for the previous year have been either expended or legally  
18 committed therefor pursuant to its plan. The director of the department of transportation shall  
19 adopt regulations providing for exemptions to the requirement of making expenditures pursuant  
20 to the plan in the event of an emergency or extraordinary event necessitating the use of funds for  
21 non-prioritized street and road work.

22 (4) Monies to fund this subsection shall be annually appropriated from any annual state  
23 surplus, the amount received by the state pursuant to the Master Settlement Agreement signed  
24 November 23, 1998 by various governmental entities and tobacco manufacturers to settle  
25 tobacco litigation, as such Agreement may be amended from time to time, or any other source as  
26 may be determined by the General Assembly.

27 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OF

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RELATING TO STATE AID FOR LOCAL ROADS

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- 1           This act mandates that at least \$10,000,000 of state funds shall be distributed to cities
- 2   and towns for local road maintenance.
- 3           This act would take effect upon passage.

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