

SOUTH CAROLINA (Sen. Graham and Scott)

Current Transportation Condition:

- 10% of major roads are in poor condition
 - Costing motorists \$1.3b a year - \$378 per motorist¹
 - Total of 767 people died on state highways in 2013²
- Vehicle travel on SC's highways has increased by 43% from 1990-2013³, while the population grew by 35 percent.⁴
- Congestion costs American motorists \$121b a year in wasted time and fuel costs⁵

Commerce:

- 84% of the \$156b in commodities delivered annually from sites in SC is transported by trucks on the state's highways.⁶

Need for Federal Investment

- 79% Federal share of SC Highway Capital Program⁷
- National Interstate Backlog of \$185.24b on 47,575 miles of interstate.⁸
 - National Highway System (NHS) backlog of \$424.5b on 227,224 miles of the NHS.

DRIVE Act **————>** *What this does for South Carolina*

Prioritizing Bridge Reconstruction and Safety:

- Increased bridge set aside funding for:
 - SC's 1,031 structurally deficient bridges - 20.6% are structurally deficient or functionally obsolete⁹

Improving Commerce:

- In the first 3 years of the DRIVE Act, SC will receive \$75,730,994 in addition to growth of the existing programs for freight.
- Prioritizing federal spending on interstate for projects in the national economic interest

¹ TRIP

² FHWA

³ TRIP

⁴ US Census

⁵ TRIP.

⁶ TRIP.

⁷ ARTBA

⁸ AASHTO and FHWA

⁹ FHWA

Long-term 6 year Certainty:

- Total share for first 3 years of DRIVE Act: \$2,094,245,879 that the state would not get otherwise.
- Major Projects in jeopardy¹⁰
 - o \$23 million to extend SC 153 from US 123 To S-135 Prince Perry Road
 - o \$24.7 million to extend Platt Spring Road
 - o \$270 million for improvements to the I-85/I-385 interchange
- Building off NEPA reforms accomplished in MAP-21, DRIVE is cutting red tape and accelerating project delivery to increase SC's ability to efficiently finish projects.
- DRIVE delivers 6 years of certainty. 12 short term extension since SAFETEA-LU have impeded on SC's ability to properly plan and budget for transportation projects.
- DRIVE gives SC the ability to prepare for the next 50 years. With a focus on innovation, SC can better deploy technology to improve the state transportation network.

¹⁰ <http://www.scpolicycouncil.org/featured/how-does-road-money-get-spent>