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Overview

This bill makes a number of modifications to data practices policy related to data collected or used by the commissioner of transportation.

- 1 Definition; personnel data.** Modifies a reference to data collected as part of an organized self-evaluation effort within a government entity. The current language defines this data as "personnel data" only in situations where "all" employees are solicited for suggestions. This section eliminates the need for all employees to be asked for suggestions before it takes on the definition of "personnel data."
- 2 Design-build transportation project data.** Restructures and modifies data classifications associated with bids for design-build projects proposed by the commissioner of transportation.
- 3 Adopt-a-highway data.** Classifies certain data related to adopt-a-highway program participants. Home addresses (except zip codes), home email addresses, and home telephone numbers are classified as private data.
- 4 Mileage-based user fee data.** Classifies certain data related to program participants in a mileage-based user fee study as nonpublic or private. Personal identification data, vehicle identification data, financial and credit data, and actual field data (including road usage) would be classified as nonpublic or private. Production of summary data is permissible.

The mileage-based user fee study is a pilot project resulting from a 2007 appropriation to the Department of Transportation for demonstrating technologies that may permit a transition from a gas tax to a fuel-neutral mileage charge, if the legislature chooses to adopt such a policy in the future.
- 5 Reports confidential; road accidents involving state-owned infrastructure.** Requires vehicle accident reports to be made available to the commissioner of transportation for seeking restitution for damage to state-owned infrastructure occurring as a result of the accident.