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HOUSE BILL DRH30291-MW-2

Short Title: Transportation Goods Unit Pricing Cost. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Chesser.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT TO MODIFY CALCULATION OF TRANSPORTATION GOODS UNIT PRICING
COST.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 136-18.05(b)(1a) reads as rewritten:

"(1a) Efficiency. – The Department shall adopt procedures in all stages of the construction process to streamline project delivery, including consolidating environmental review processes, expediting multiagency reviews, accelerating right-of-way acquisitions, and pursuing design build and other processes to collapse project stages. By December 1, 2015, the Department shall establish a baseline unit pricing structure for transportation goods used in highway maintenance and construction projects and set annual targets for three years based on its unit pricing. In forming the baseline unit prices and future targets, the Department shall collect data from each Highway Division on its expenditures on transportation goods ~~during the 2015–2016 fiscal year.~~ based upon a rolling average of the three previous fiscal years. Beginning January 1, 2016, no Highway Division shall exceed a ten percent (10%) variance over a baseline unit price set for that year in accordance with this subdivision. The Department of Transportation shall institute annual tracking to monitor pricing variances. The ten percent (10%) maximum variance set under this subdivision is intended to account for regional differences requiring varying product mixes. If a Highway Division exceeds the unit pricing threshold, the Department shall submit a report to the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee, the Fiscal Research Division of the General Assembly, the chairs of the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee on Transportation, and the chairs of the Senate Appropriations Committee on the Department of Transportation no later than the fifteenth day of February following the end of the calendar year on why the variance occurred and what steps are being taken to bring the Highway Division back into compliance. In order to drive savings, unit pricing may be reduced annually as efficiencies are achieved."

SECTION 2. This act becomes effective July 1, 2025.

