

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to transportation research; creating
 3 s. 334.066, F.S.; establishing the Implementing
 4 Solutions from Transportation Research and Evaluating
 5 Emerging Technologies Living Lab (I-STREET) within the
 6 University of Florida; specifying the duties of I-
 7 STREET; requiring I-STREET to annually provide the
 8 Governor and the Legislature with a certain report;
 9 requiring the creation of a certain advisory board;
 10 specifying the composition of the board; providing an
 11 effective date.

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 13 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 15 Section 1. Section 334.066, Florida Statutes, is created
 16 to read:

17 334.066 Implementing Solutions from Transportation
 18 Research and Evaluating Emerging Technologies Living Lab.—

19 (1) The Implementing Solutions from Transportation
 20 Research and Evaluating Emerging Technologies Living Lab (I-
 21 STREET) is established within the University of Florida.

22 (2) At a minimum, I-STREET shall:

23 (a) Conduct and facilitate research on issues related to
 24 innovative transportation mobility and safety technology
 25 development and deployment in this state and serve as an

26 information exchange and depository for the most current
27 information pertaining to transportation research, education,
28 workforce development, and related issues.

29 (b) Be a continuing resource for the Legislature, the
30 department, local governments, the nation's metropolitan
31 regions, and the private sector in the area of transportation
32 and related research.

33 (c) Promote intercampus transportation and related
34 research activities among Florida universities to enhance the
35 ability of these universities to attract federal and private
36 sector funding for transportation and related research.

37 (d) Provide by July 1, 2023, and each July 1 thereafter,
38 to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of
39 the House of Representatives a comprehensive report that
40 outlines its clearly defined goals and its efforts and progress
41 on reaching those goals.

42 (3) An advisory board shall be created to periodically
43 review and advise I-STREET concerning its research program. The
44 board shall consist of nine members with expertise in
45 transportation-related areas, as follows:

46 (a) A member appointed by the President of the Senate.

47 (b) A member appointed by the Speaker of the House of
48 Representatives.

49 (c) The Secretary of Transportation or his or her
50 designee.

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51 (d) The Secretary of Economic Opportunity or his or her
52 designee.

53 (e) A member of the Florida Transportation Commission.

54 (f) Four members nominated by the University of Florida's
55 College of Engineering and approved by the university's
56 president. The College of Engineering's nominees may include
57 representatives of the University of Florida, other academic and
58 research institutions, or private entities.

59 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2022.