

SENATE BILL 2069

By Campbell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 9; Title 54; Title 55 and Title 67, relative to the use of permeable materials in highway and other public improvement projects.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-4-711, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

() A private developer that uses only permeable concrete in industrial and commercial areas for parking lots shall receive a deduction of three percent (3%) on the amount of business taxes paid by the developer during each business tax period.

SECTION 2. It is the legislative intent that the general assembly appropriate necessary state funds to the department of transportation for the development and construction of new public roads and highways utilizing permeable concrete only. The department shall prioritize the development and construction of public roads and highways with proximity to waterways or in low-lying areas and public roads and highways that are otherwise at risk of flooding. This act is not an appropriation of funds and funds must not be obligated or expended pursuant to this act unless such funds are specifically appropriated by the general appropriations act.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 54, Chapter 1, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

The department and local governments shall limit the use of porous pavement types for those public roads and highways located in residential or low-traffic areas.

SECTION 4. This act takes effect July 1, 2022, the public welfare requiring it.