

HB 596 -- ANNUAL BID BONDS FOR HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION AND
MAINTENANCE PROJECTS

SPONSOR: St. Onge

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "do pass" by the Committee on
Transportation by a vote of 7 to 0.

This bill authorizes the Highways and Transportation Commission to accept an annual bid bond for its construction and maintenance projects. The commission must prescribe the form and content of the annual bid bond.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2008, FY 2009, and FY 2010.

PROPOSERS: Supporters say the bill will make it easier and more efficient for contractors when bidding highway projects.

Testifying for the bill were Representative St. Onge; and Department of Transportation.

OPPOSERS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.