

HB 1786 -- Highway Pavement Management

Sponsor: Meadows

This bill requires the Department of Transportation to develop and implement a pavement management system for each mile of roadway in the state highway system in the attempt to ensure that a disproportionate share of pavement will not be due for replacement or major repair at the same time. The department must develop and implement a life-cycle cost analysis for all projects with state funds and design and award paving projects using material which has the lowest life-cycle cost.

The department can conduct up to four pavement demonstration projects each year to evaluate new construction methods, materials, or design. The bill specifies the criteria for selecting demonstration projects. The department director must provide an annual report to the Joint Committee on Transportation by February 1 regarding the status of each demonstration project.