

**Resolution of the
Southeastern Association of
State Highway and Transportation Officials**

**EXPRESSING CONCERN OVER PROPOSALS
TO USE A PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT PROCESS
IN DETERMINING SUCCESSFUL HIGHWAY PROGRAMS AND
DISTRIBUTING FEDERAL HIGHWAY FUNDS**

WHEREAS, the Southeastern Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (SASHTO) represents the transportation departments of twelve states and one territory; and

WHEREAS, SASHTO acknowledges the desire of Congress and the United States Department of Transportation to require accountability in the maintenance and improvement of the nation's transportation system; and

WHEREAS, discussions have been ongoing concerning the imposition of a Federally-prescribed performance management process; and

WHEREAS, each state and territory operates under different financial conditions, traffic conditions, business models, policies, and practices; and

WHEREAS, comparison of individual states' and territories' activities using a Federally-prescribed performance management process may not be a proper measure of the effort, progress, and performance of states and territories toward implementing a Federal-aid highway program; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that SASHTO supports a state-driven performance management process to ensure accountability and performance results, rather than a top-down performance management process dictated by Congress and/or the United States Department of Transportation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that SASHTO urges Congress and the United States Department of Transportation to work collaboratively with the states and territories when considering the development of laws and guidance to tie the determination of the success of Federal-aid highway programs within each state or territory and to tie the distribution of funds to each state or territory to a top-down, Federally-prescribed performance management process.