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## FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

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SHORT TITLE Local Gov't Transportation Project Fund SB 637/SCORCS

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### ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY19	FY20	FY21	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
<b>Total</b>		NFI				

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

### SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

### SUMMARY

#### Synopsis of Bill

The Senate Corporations and Transportation Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 637 (SB637) creates the local government transportation project fund. The fund would contain appropriations from the Legislature for construction of local government road projects. SB637 requires the secretary of the Department of Transportation (DOT) to submit a proposed list of local government transportation projects identified by the department's metropolitan planning organizations (MPO) and regional transportation planning organizations (RTPO) to the State Transportation Commission (STC). The STC is authorized to provide project grants up to 95 percent of project costs for selected projects, but may grant up to 100 percent of project costs should the local government obtain a hardship waiver from the Department of Finance and Administration.

### FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Because the SB637 simply creates a fund and does not make an appropriation nor add additional responsibilities to the DOT, this bill has no fiscal impact.

### SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

The fund created by SB637 offers DOT broad discretion and authority in selecting local projects for funding. The bill does not provide portions of funding to be distributed to local governments by type e.g. county or municipality.

The definition of a local government transportation project includes studies, planning, design, construction, and acquisition of rights-of-way for highways, streets, roadways, bridges, and parking facilities. The definitions do not include transit or trails as eligible to receive local government transportation project funds.

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