

# **Transforming Transportation Investment Act**

## **Overview**

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Creates a policy framework with clearly defined roles and responsibilities, clear directives on establishing a statewide transportation strategy, and an understandable and equitable funding process that will ensure transportation dollars are spent in an efficient and strategic manner.

Designs new transportation governance structure that is responsive to the needs of Georgia's citizens, accountable for transportation strategy, and responsible for expediting project delivery

Streamlines decision-making process by combining the State Road & Tollway Authority (SRTA) with the Georgia Regional Transportation Authority (GRTA) into one new agency called the State Transportation Authority. Under the direction of its chief executive, the Secretary of Transportation, the Authority will be the single entity that will be held accountable for Georgia's transportation network

Provides for a new transparent model for funding decisions that gives the General Assembly and the Governor direct appropriation powers over the state's Motor Fuel Funds (similar to the way other state agencies in Georgia are funded and governed)

Returns proper control of local transportation matters to counties and cities through the establishment of a direct local grant program to local governments, so they can choose which projects they want to complete.

Charges GDOT with management of the state highway network, under internal direction of the GDOT Commissioner (similar to the way other state agencies in Georgia are managed). The General Assembly and the Governor will have authority to cut administrative overhead budget of the department.

Maintains compliance with federal laws and regulations that govern the use of federal funds, planning, environmental reviews, system-wide safety, procurement and other factors.

