HB 1910: Plan for Infrastructure Needs

<u>8-Year Plan for Prioritizing Infrastructure Spending</u>: HB 1910 empowers a reformed Long-Range Capital Planning Commission to prepare each year an annual capital budget plan for addressing state infrastructure needs over the next 8 years, to see the plan carried out, and to prioritize infrastructure spending. The plan will include recommendations on reallocation, reuse, or liquidation of state properties.

- Long-Range Capital Planning Commission: The primary mission of the Long-Range Capital Planning Commission is to decrease the amount of property owned by the state, and to return state-owned property to private-sector ownership. To that end, HB1910 requires OMES, at the direction of the Long-Range Capital Planning Commission, to take action to return state property to the free market.
- Composition of Commission: Three appointees each by the Governor, Speaker of the House, and President Pro Tempore of the Senate. The appointees serve staggered, 4-year terms.
- Selling Unused State Assets: Gives the Long-Range Capital Planning Commission the authority to direct OMES to sell underutilized assets and deposit proceeds to the Maintenance of State Buildings Revolving Fund.
- Taking Politics Out of Infrastructure Decisions: The Long-Range Capital Planning Commission prioritizes infrastructure expenditures within funding available from the Maintenance of State Buildings Revolving Fund. The Commission submits an itemized list of projects within the first 7 legislative days of a regular legislative session. The Legislature has 45 days after submission of the list to disapprove of an item on the list through a concurrent resolution; otherwise OMES carries out the expenditures.

The Maintenance of State Buildings Revolving Fund may receive deposits from liquidations of unneeded state assets or from prioritizing spending during the budget process.

- Stewardship of State Assets: Requires approval of OMES before any agency can enter into or renew a lease for real property. Also requires approval of OMES or Long-Range Capital Planning Commission for the purchase or construction of a new building by a state agency. The bill requires that approval of leases or purchases only occur if the agency cannot make use of existing resources.
- Consolidation: Repeals the State Facility Capital Needs Committee.