

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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**HOUSE BILL 1950**

Short Title:   Require DOT Type II Noise Abatement Policy. (Public)

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Sponsors:   Representatives Heagarty, Harrison (Primary Sponsors); and Dollar.

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Referred to:   Transportation, if favorable, Appropriations.

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May 25, 2010

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT TO DIRECT THE NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
TO IDENTIFY AND DETERMINE IMPACTED AND ELIGIBLE LOCATIONS FOR  
TYPE II NOISE ABATEMENT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** The Department of Transportation is appropriated one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) to determine which areas of the State would most benefit from noise abatement measures on "Type II" projects, which include retrofitting existing roads, maintenance projects, guardrail projects, rehabilitation projects, updating existing facilities, and the addition of auxiliary lanes.

The Department shall amend its existing "NCDOT Traffic Noise Abatement Policy" to consider noise abatement measures on "Type II" projects, in addition to the current consideration of noise abatement measures on "Type I" projects, which include only new construction or reconstruction of highways.

As part of implementing this noise abatement plan for "Type II" projects, the Department of Transportation shall do the following:

- (1) Identify locations likely impacted by noise.
- (2) Determine which of the impacted and eligible locations could receive noise reduction benefits, at a reasonable cost, from construction of a barrier.
- (3) Determine which of the identified locations meet Federal Highway Administration eligibility for federal funding.

**SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2010.

