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**AB-1145 State highways: safety: State Highway Route 74: report.** (2025-2026)

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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE— 2025–2026 REGULAR SESSION

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**NO. 1145**

Introduced by Assembly Members Jeff Gonzalez and Wallis

February 20, 2025

An act to add and repeal Section 98 of the Streets and Highways Code, relating to state highways.

**LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST**

AB 1145, as amended, Jeff Gonzalez. State highways: safety: *State Highway Route 74*: report.

Existing law establishes the Department of Transportation and the California Transportation Commission and vests the department with full possession and control of all state highways and all property and rights in property acquired for state highway purposes. Existing law requires the department to improve and maintain state highways, including all traversable highways that have been adopted or designated as state highways by the commission.

This bill would require the department, on or before December 31, 2027, to conduct a study on highway safety on ~~the state highway system, including, but not limited to,~~ *State Highway Route 74*. The bill would require the study to collect specified ~~data, disaggregated by state highway,~~ *data* over the preceding 10 years, as provided, and to develop recommendations to improve highway safety on ~~the state highway system,~~ *State Highway Route 74*, including recommendations on how to address enforcement facility ~~bypassing,~~ *bypassing on roadways other than State Highway Route 74*, as specified. The bill would require the department to report its findings and recommendations to the Legislature on or before December 31, 2027. The bill would repeal these provisions as of January 1, 2029.

Vote: majority Appropriation: no Fiscal Committee: yes Local Program: no

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1.** Section 98 is added to the Streets and Highways Code, to read:

**98.** (a) The department shall, on or before December 31, 2027, conduct a study on highway safety on ~~the state highway system, including, but not limited to,~~ State Highway Route 74. The study shall collect all available ~~data, disaggregated by state highway,~~ data over the preceding 10 years, including, but not limited to, all of the following data:

(1) The number of accidents, including fatal and nonfatal accidents.

(2) The number of 911 calls related to tire blowouts due to potholes ~~and otherwise~~ or other poor road conditions.

(3) The number of incidents involving truck tractors.

(4) The number and types of citations issued for violations of the Vehicle Code, including, but not limited to, weight-limit violations.

(5) The number of injuries and fatalities.

(6) The number of instances in which an accident was caused by brake failure.

(7) All of the following relating to enforcement facilities:

(A) The identification of transportation corridors used to bypass enforcement facilities.

(B) The resulting dangers, hazards, poor road conditions, and other consequences of the transportation corridors identified pursuant to subparagraph (A).

(C) The identification of hot spots on the corridors identified pursuant to subparagraph (A) and the enforcement facilities being bypassed.

(b) As part of the study required pursuant to subdivision (a), the department shall develop recommendations to improve highway safety on ~~the state highway system,~~ State Highway Route 74, including recommendations on how to address enforcement facility ~~bypassing,~~ bypassing on roadways other than State Highway Route 74, which shall include, but is not limited to, recommendations relating to increased enforcement, road safety projects, and road maintenance projects.

(c) The department shall report its findings and recommendations to the Legislature on or before December 31, 2027, consistent with the requirements of Section 9795 of the Government Code.

(d) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2029, and as of that date is repealed.