Article 89B — State Roads Section 68A Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume and 1973 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 68A of Article 89B — State Roads, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume and 1973 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and re—enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

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68A.

The State [Roads Commission] ADMINISTRATION shall, [upon] AT the request of the county commissioners or the county council, AND with the concurrence of the county executive where there is an elected county executive, which request has been concurred in by a majority of the members of the General Assembly from such county, include the construction of sidewalks on any urban-type highway [improvement provided in the 1972 or subsequent fiscal year highway construction or reconstruction programs]. [Such] THE request and concurrence shall be made to the [Commission] ADMINISTRATION before the [Commission] ADMINISTRATION presents its annual highway construction program to the General Assembly for consideration and inclusion as part of the budget. As [herein] used IN THIS SECTION, "urban-type highway" means a highway constructed with curb and qutter and enclosed type storm-drainage systems, OR A HIGHWAY IN AN URBANIZED AREA ON WHICH A PUBLIC FACILITY IS LOCATED WHICH CREATES APPRECIABLE PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC ALONG THE HIGHWAY FROM THE ADJACENT AREAS, but shall not include limited access expressways. Funds for cost of [such] sidewalk construction shall be obtained by shortening the limits of the project where sidewalks are to be constructed or by deleting a portion or all of another project in the same fiscal year with a value equal to the cost of the requested sidewalk construction. The request for sidewalk construction shall indicate which project is to be reduced in scope or deleted in order to develop the funds for the sidewalk construction. When sidewalks are constructed, they shall thereafter be repaired by the political subdivision in which they are located. It is hereby declared to be the intent of the General Assembly that the cost and responsibility for repair of any sidewalks constructed shall be that of the political subdivision in which they are located and that the cost of sidewalk construction shall not result in an increase in allocation of funds to