

(i) By shortening the limits of the project where sidewalks are to be constructed; or

(ii) By deleting all or a part of another project scheduled for construction in the same fiscal year with a value equal to the cost of the requested sidewalk construction] ~~CONSTRUCTION OF SIDEWALKS, AS REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, SHALL BE MADE A PART OF A CAPITAL PROJECT, AS DEFINED IN § 2-103.1 OF THIS ARTICLE, THAT IS INCLUDED IN THE CONSOLIDATED TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM IF SIDEWALKS ARE CONSTRUCTED OR RECONSTRUCTED AS PART OF A ROADWAY CONSTRUCTION OR RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT, THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL FUND THE SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION OR RECONSTRUCTION AS A PART OF THE COST OF THE ROADWAY PROJECT.~~

(2) IF SIDEWALKS ARE CONSTRUCTED OR RECONSTRUCTED IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST FROM A LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND THE ADJACENT ROADWAY IS NOT BEING CONCURRENTLY CONSTRUCTED OR RECONSTRUCTED, THE COST TO CONSTRUCT OR RECONSTRUCT THE SIDEWALK SHALL BE SHARED EQUALLY BETWEEN THE STATE AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

~~(2)~~ (3) After sidewalks are constructed under this section, they shall be maintained and repaired by the political subdivision in which they are located.

(4) FOR FISCAL YEARS 1996, 1997, AND 1998, THE STATE'S SHARE OF THE COST OF SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION AND RECONSTRUCTION PROJECTS UNDER THIS SECTION MAY NOT EXCEED \$2 MILLION PER FISCAL YEAR.

~~(3) The cost of sidewalk construction, maintenance, and repair may not result in any increase OR DECREASE in funds allocated in any fiscal year to any county.~~

~~(D)~~ (4) IN CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION, OR MAJOR REHABILITATION OF AN URBAN HIGHWAY, THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL ENSURE THAT THE PROJECT DOES NOT RESULT IN A NET LOSS OF ANY SIDEWALK.

~~(2) IF THE ADMINISTRATION REASONABLY DETERMINES THAT AN URBAN HIGHWAY PROJECT REQUIRES THE ELIMINATION OF AN EXISTING SIDEWALK, THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL CONSTRUCT A NEW, SAFE, AND REASONABLE ALTERNATIVE ROUTE FOR PEDESTRIAN TRAVEL.~~

(D) THE ADMINISTRATION MAY NOT CONSTRUCT ANY PROJECT THAT WILL RESULT IN THE SEVERANCE OR DESTRUCTION OF AN EXISTING MAJOR ROUTE FOR PEDESTRIAN TRANSPORTATION TRAFFIC, UNLESS THE PROJECT PROVIDES FOR CONSTRUCTION OF A REASONABLE ALTERNATIVE ROUTE OR SUCH A ROUTE ALREADY EXISTS.

(E) THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL ADOPT REGULATIONS NECESSARY DEVELOP GUIDELINES JOINTLY WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO CARRY OUT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION.