

proposed bypasses to maintain the viability of these detours while concomitantly constraining development which potentially detracts from main street business areas. The progress made in complying with this policy should be included in the 1997 CTP.

29.02.01.01 State System Construction and Equipment

Special Fund Appropriation, provided that no funds may be expended to design or construct a proposed visitor center at the Cambridge Sailwinds Park until:

- (1) The Department of Transportation has submitted plans and cost estimates for the proposed visitor center based on a structure of 6,000 square feet, with funding from the Transportation Trust Fund which shall not exceed \$2,800,000, and
- (2) The budget committees have an opportunity to review and comment on the proposed design and cost estimate or 45 days have elapsed from the receipt of the required design and cost estimate.

Further provided that this language does not prohibit the use of local or private funds to construct additional square footage, provided, however that State funds for the maintenance and operation of the facility shall only be used to support the 6,000 square foot portion of the project which was funded with State dollars.

Further provided that the department is precluded from spending money on right-of-way acquisition for the Intercounty Connector until a final alignment is selected with the exception of funds required for protective buying or hardship acquisitions. *Provided however, that the Department of Transportation shall, to the extent feasible, make every effort to secure purchase options in lieu of the outright purchase of properties for protective or hardship acquisition.*