By the Committee on Transportation; and Senator Bullard

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the Department of Transportation; requiring the department to conduct a study of transportation alternatives for the Interstate 95 corridor; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. The Department of Transportation, in consultation with the Department of Law Enforcement, the Division of Emergency Management of the Department of Community Affairs, and the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development, shall complete a study of transportation alternatives for the travel corridor parallel to Interstate 95 which takes into account the transportation, emergency management, homeland security, and economic development needs of the state. The report must include identification of cost-effective measures that may be implemented to alleviate congestion on Interstate 95, facilitate emergency and security responses, and foster economic development. The Department of Transportation shall send the report to the Governor, the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and each affected metropolitan planning organization by June 30, 2009.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2008.