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## **Sponsor Statement** House Bill 261

"An Act requiring the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities to publish on the department's Internet website reports regarding contracts awarded for transportation projects."

When was the last time you spent a warm summer day wondering when the road project that is holding you up will be done? House Bill 261 could help answer that question and more about the project by simply going on line.

The proposal expands the current web cite for the Department of Transportation and Public Facilities to include additional details about construction projects around the state. It will allow an individual to look at any state project and find out details to include a description of the project, the anticipated cost, how much has already been spent, how much has been completed, and when will it be done. Alaskans are used to road and construction work in the summer months this plan simply expands and consolidates access to information the Department already has.

Passage of HB 261 bring that information together so the age old questions of how long and how much can easily be answered.