the state department of transportation. The state department of transportation shall submit a written report to the general assembly not later than March 1 of each year. The report shall contain only a list of those highway projects where a disagreement exists between the department and the soil conservation district commissioners and the reasons for rejecting the recommendations of the soil conservation district commissioners. The report shall be filed with the secretary of the senate and the chief clerk of the house of representatives.

Sec. 7. This Act takes effect for construction projects which are approved on or after April 1. 1986.

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## CHAPTER 107

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL ELECTIONS

H.F. 537

AN ACT relating to special elections to fill vacancies in city councils.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 372.13, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code 1985, is amended to read as follows:

b. By a special election held to fill the office for the remaining balance of the unexpired term. If the council opts for a special election or a valid petition is filed under paragraph "a", the special election may be held concurrently with any pending election as provided by section 69.12 if by so doing the vacancy will be filled not more than ninety days after it occurs. Otherwise, a special election to fill the office shall be called at the earliest practicable date. If there are concurrent vacancies on the council and the remaining council members do not constitute a quorum of the full membership, a special election shall be called at the earliest practicable date. A special election held under this subsection is subject to neither a primary election nor runoff, even if such an election is required when the office in question is filled at a regular eity election, and the candidate receiving a plurality of the vote is elected. A special election held under this subsection is subject to sections 376.4 through 376.11, but the dates for actions in relation to the special election shall be calculated with regard to the date for which the special election is called.

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