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A BILL FOR

1 An Act restricting the state transportation commission from
2 allocating certain primary road fund moneys to counties and
3 cities unless the applicable projects comply with federal
4 buy America requirements.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 313.4, subsection 1, paragraph c, Code
2 2021, is amended to read as follows:

3 c. The commission may, after consultation with stakeholders
4 including regional planning affiliations, metropolitan planning
5 organizations, the Iowa state association of counties, and the
6 Iowa league of cities, periodically allocate moneys from the
7 fund for the establishment, construction, and maintenance of
8 the secondary road system and the municipal street system in
9 exchange for retaining all or a portion of federal aid road
10 funds that would otherwise be allocated to counties and cities.
11 However, the commission shall not allocate moneys from the fund
12 in this manner to a county or city until the county or city
13 certifies to the commission that, for each project receiving
14 moneys from the fund, the county or city will comply with the
15 buy America requirements set forth in 23 C.F.R. §635.410.

16 EXPLANATION

17 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
18 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

19 Current law permits the state transportation commission
20 (STC) to allocate moneys from the primary road fund (PRF)
21 for the establishment, construction, and maintenance of the
22 secondary road system and the municipal street system in
23 exchange for retaining all or a portion of federal aid road
24 funds that would otherwise be allocated to counties and cities.

25 This bill restricts the STC from allocating PRF moneys
26 in this manner until the county or city certifies that, for
27 projects receiving PRF moneys, the county or city will comply
28 with federal buy America requirements (23 C.F.R. §635.410).
29 Under those requirements, a project must either include no
30 permanently incorporated steel or iron materials, or if steel
31 or iron materials are to be used, all manufacturing processes,
32 including application of a coating, for these materials must
33 occur in the United States unless certain exceptions apply.