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**1 Review procedures (subdivision applications).** Requires municipal ordinances that govern the establishment of subdivisions, which are required to provide for review of applications for subdivision, to make that review apply to subdivisions that include lands that abut on present or proposed trunk highways and county highways.

**2 Plat approval; road review.** Specifies who is responsible for submitting a preliminary plat to the county or state for review when the plat includes land that abuts a highway. Specifies county review procedures when the lands are in a city or town and the county highway is designated on a map or county highway plan.

Under the procedures the city or town would submit the plat to the county engineer within five days after the city or town receives the plat filing. The county engineer would review the plat only for factors of county significance, following guidelines adopted by the county. Within 30 days of receiving the plat the county engineer would provide written comments to the city or town, including recommended modifications. Within ten days of the city or town approving the preliminary plat it would submit notice of approval to the county board along with a statement explaining how the county's comments were addressed. If the plat did not incorporate the recommendations of the county engineer, the county and city or town would meet to determine whether changes are appropriate.

The city or town could not approve the plat until it had received the county engineer's comments or until the 30 days have expired, whichever is first.

Preliminary site plans for proposed platted areas would, in addition to existing requirements, be required to include dimensions to scale, authenticated by a registered engineer or land surveyor, that shows the existing or proposed state or county highway and all existing or proposed rights-of-way, easements, general lot layouts, and lot dimensions. A city, town, or county would be required to file with the plat, evidence that the preliminary plat has been submitted to the commissioner of transportation or county engineer as required by law.