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Bill Summary

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Overview

This legislation closes the trunk highway bridge improvement program in 2018 and replaces it with a prioritization system for bridges that includes accounting for the risk of service interruptions due to bridge closure or restrictions.

Section

1 **Prioritization of bridge projects.** Establishes that bridges not originally included in the trunk highway bridge improvement program (established in 2008) must be prioritized for improvement work according to a new risk-based system contained in section 2.

2 **Prioritization of subsequent trunk highway bridge projects.** Concludes the trunk highway bridge improvement program at the end of fiscal year 2018. Establishes a risk-based prioritization arrangement for bridges not originally included in the program that need repair or replacement, which must be created by February 11, 2011. Specifies that the prioritization must take into account risk of service interruption, various factors related to bridge condition and characteristics, and departmental knowledge.