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**\$200 Million Invested in Chapter 90**

BOSTON (7/6/2020) – Representative Carole Fiola joined her colleagues in the Massachusetts Legislature in passing legislation last week to provide \$200 Million in funding for local road and bridge repairs across the Commonwealth.

Amid a difficult fiscal climate, the bill maintains Chapter 90 funding at a \$200 Million level for key repairs for the maintenance and upkeep of municipal roads and bridges in Massachusetts. It also extends the term of the MBTA Fiscal and Management Control Board, which was set to expire on June 30, 2020, for one additional year.

“These Chapter 90 funds will not only support road and bridge repair projects, which strengthen our transportation infrastructure, but keep work going, which helps the economy,” said **House Speaker Robert A. DeLeo (D – Winthrop)**. “I’m grateful to Chairs Straus and Michlewitz, Senate President Spilka, and my colleagues in the Legislature for their work on this bill.”

“Chapter 90 funding is critical to the road repair needs of our towns and cities, and I am pleased this program could at least be level funded at \$200 million by the House and Senate during today's difficult financial circumstances,” said **Representative William Straus (D-Mattapoisett), Co-Chair of the Joint Committee on Transportation**.

“By passing this responsible piece of legislation we are addressing some of our most vital transportation needs now and giving some certainly to the future of the MBTA,” said **Representative Aaron Michlewitz, Chair of the House Committee on Ways & Means (D-Boston)**. “I look forward to continuing to work with my colleagues in the Legislature on future legislation to improve the Commonwealth’s transportation needs.”

“Through fully reimbursing vital capital projects, Chapter 90 funding is one of the most important ways that we can provide direct support to communities in the Commonwealth,” said **Senator Michael J. Rodrigues (D -Westport), Chair of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means**. “I applaud Senate President Spilka and Senator Boncore for their leadership on transportation in Massachusetts, and my colleagues for recognizing the importance of maintaining our local infrastructure during this uncertain economic time.”

**State Representative Carole Fiola** stated "Chapter 90 continues to fund important projects in our community. Our roads, bridges and infrastructure reflect the care we put into our municipalities. With everything going on in the world it is necessary that we continue to take care of our communities".

The bill has been signed into law.

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