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2015 Legislative Priorities and Positions

Top priorities:

1. Funding for the Coast-to-Coast Trail
2. Funding for implementation of quiet zones along the 61-mile SunRail corridor
3. Funding for SunRail Phase III to the Orlando International Airport
4. Funding for the Regional Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Network
5. Increases funding to improve pedestrian safety awareness programs and pedestrian facility improvements, including better signage near public schools
6. Authority for community and state colleges to assess a student transit charge to provide enhanced and/or expanded transit service on or between community and state college campuses

We support legislation that:

1. Expands the Charter County and Regional Transportation System Surtax to allow municipalities over 150,000 in population (or the largest municipality in a county) and all counties located in MPO areas to enact up to a one-cent local option surtax by referendum.
2. Authorizes a \$3.00/day local option rental car surcharge (implemented through a public referendum) with proceeds committed to regional transportation projects.
3. Makes texting while driving a primary offense.
4. Preserves the coordinated system for paratransit (Access Lynx) service.
5. Directs the Florida Department of Transportation to develop a plan to move Florida toward a Mileage Based User Fee, which protects individual privacy, in lieu of the traditional fuel tax.

6. Restores funding for the Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP) in order to promote regional planning and project development.

Monitor the following:

1. Possible move to rescind the legislation that authorized the use red light cameras.
2. Possible preemption legislation related to Transportation Network Companies such as Uber, Lyft, etc.
3. Legislation that would authorize the creation of Regional Transportation Finance Authorities.
4. Recommendations developed by the East Central Florida Corridor Task Force.

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