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Senate Approves \$600 Million in Funding for Local Road Projects over Next Three Years
The Bill will Provide over \$8.9 Million a year to Senator Gobi's District

BOSTON, MA –On Thursday, April 12th, **Senator Anne M. Gobi (D-Spencer)** and the state Senate passed a three year, \$600 million investment of “Chapter 90” funding for local road and bridge repairs, continuing the legislature’s strong commitment to supporting our cities and towns.

The legislation passed authorizes \$200 million each year for the next 3 years for infrastructure improvements in municipalities across the Commonwealth. This multiyear investment provides cities and towns with the ability to plan their construction needs in advance, giving communities access to predictable and consistent funding.

“I am glad to see a multiyear plan in place,” said Senator Gobi, “This will allow our towns to better plan for their road projects and remove some uncertainty moving forward.”

“Chapter 90” funds are allocated using a longstanding formula based on community road miles, population and employment. The expected FY2019 apportionment to Senator Gobi’s communities includes the following:

- Ashburnham in the amount of \$343,284
- Ashby in the amount of \$225,760
- Athol in the amount of \$508,214
- Barre in the amount of \$430,535
- Brimfield in the amount of \$279,213
- Brookfield in the amount of \$167,780

- Charlton in the amount of \$625,473
- East Brookfield in the amount of \$95,368
- Hardwick in the amount of \$360,600
- Holland in the amount of \$159,175
- Hubbardston in the amount of \$356,673
- Monson in the amount of \$464,987
- New Braintree in the amount of \$204,096
- North Brookfield in the amount of \$310,999
- Oakham in the amount of \$181,937
- Palmer in the amount of \$476,008
- Paxton in the amount of \$193,216
- Petersham in the amount of \$251,354
- Phillipston in the amount of \$189,780
- Rutland in the amount of \$377,643
- Spencer in the amount of \$501,864
- Sturbridge in the amount of \$431,646
- Wales in the amount of \$105,665
- Ware in the amount of \$428,549
- Warren in the amount of \$288,107
- West Brookfield in the amount of \$233,357
- Winchendon in the amount of \$450,917

"These funds will ensure that our cities and towns can make the necessary repairs and improvements to the Commonwealth's infrastructure system," said **Senate President Harriette L. Chandler (D-Worcester)**.

The bill will now be reconciled with a version passed by the House of Representatives, before moving to the Governor for final approval.

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