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| 2024 Engineers and Land Surveyors Day  at the State House |

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## S U M M A R Y F A C T S H E E T

**Wipes Labeling can Save Ratepayers $ Keep Waters Clean**

**ACTIONS REQUESTED — Clear Consumer Messaging:**

* Support: S.480/H.805 - *An Act protecting wastewater and sewerage systems through the labeling of non-flushable wipes* -  Sponsors: Senator James B. Eldridge, Rep. Sean Garballey, Rep. Steven Owens - Referred to Senate Ways and Means
* We respectfully ask that the Legislature pass these bills to classify wipes, using wipes-industry standards as “non-flushable.”
* We ask that those wipes that do not meet industry standards for dispersibility have prominent, mandatory “Do Not Flush” labelling, following NACWA labeling guidelines.

**Water Infrastructure Investment Creates Jobs**

##### ACTION REQUESTED:

* Support increased funding for water infrastructure, including H. 852, An Act relative to municipal assistance for clean water and economic development infrastructure. (Sponsor: Rep. Jay Livingstone)

**Massachusetts Transportation Infrastructure**

**ACTIONS REQUESTED:**

* **Support: An Act relative to regional (transportation) ballot initiatives** - Filed by Representatives Ciccolo and Lewis (**H.2737**)  and Senator Friedman (**S.1828**) (currently in Senate Ways & Means)
* Re-implement targeted formula-based funding to cities and towns (like the Winter Recovery Assistance Program) that will help to bridge local-level funding gaps.
* Support a multiyear increase to Chapter 90 funding, enabling municipalities to better plan and implement transportation projects.
* Support new revenue for transportation, including a pilot project for considering alternatives to the gas tax such as road user charges.
* Support initiatives that will help offset investments in the energy transition.

**Maximizing Private Sector Innovation: Delivering for Massachusetts: The critical role the engineering industry plays in addressing state and municipal infrastructure needs.**

ACTIONS REQUESTED:

Oppose these bills:

* S. 2035 An Act to promote safety, efficiency and accountability in transportation projects through public inspections, Senator Michael O. Moore currently in Senate Ways & Means
* S.2047, An Act relative to protecting the taxpayers of the Commonwealth, Senator Marc R. Pacheco, currently in Senate Ways & Means
* H.3305, An Act to assure safety, efficiency and accountability in transportation projects through public inspections, Representative Daniel M. Donahue of Worcester – this bill has been placed into a study
* Oppose these bills and any other bill or amendments that would prevent state agencies and municipalities from contracting out for professional engineering or land surveying services, related design services, construction phase engineering or testing services. Public agencies need the flexibility to determine how they will get this work done.: