

**EXECUTIVE ORGANIZATION ACT OF 1965 (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 380 of 1965**  
Chapter 15  
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**16.450 Department of transportation; creation.**

Sec. 350.

There is created a department of transportation.

**History:** 1965, Act 380, Imd. Eff. July 23, 1965 ;-- Am. 1975, Act 70, Imd. Eff. May 20, 1975 ;-- Am. 1978, Act 483, Imd. Eff. Dec. 1, 1978  
**Popular Name:** Act 380

**16.451 State transportation commission as policy making body.**

Sec. 351.

The policy making body of the department of transportation is the state transportation commission.

**History:** 1965, Act 380, Imd. Eff. July 23, 1965 ;-- Am. 1975, Act 70, Imd. Eff. May 20, 1975 ;-- Am. 1978, Act 483, Imd. Eff. Dec. 1, 1978  
**Popular Name:** Act 380

**16.452 Transfer of powers, duties, and functions.**

Sec. 352.

All powers, duties, and functions vested by law in the state highway department are transferred by a type I transfer to the department of transportation.

**History:** 1965, Act 380, Imd. Eff. July 23, 1965 ;-- Am. 1975, Act 70, Imd. Eff. May 20, 1975 ;-- Am. 1978, Act 483, Imd. Eff. Dec. 1, 1978  
**Popular Name:** Act 380

**16.453 Commissioner of state highways; transfer of powers, duties, and functions.**

Sec. 353.

All powers, duties, and functions now vested by law in the commissioner of state highways are transferred by a type I transfer to the state highway commission.

**History:** 1965, Act 380, Imd. Eff. July 23, 1965 ;-- Am. 1975, Act 70, Imd. Eff. May 20, 1975  
**Popular Name:** Act 380

**16.454 State highway commission; appointment, qualifications, and terms of members; vacancy; quorum; compensation; expenses.**

Sec. 354.

The state highway commission shall consist of 4 members, not more than 2 of whom shall be members of the same political party, appointed by the governor by and with the advice and consent of the senate. The term of office of each member shall be 4 years, except that the members first appointed shall be appointed for specific terms of 1, 2, 3, and 4 years. A member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring other than by expiration of a term shall be appointed for the unexpired term. A majority of the commission members shall be required to constitute a quorum. The compensation of the commission and the schedule for reimbursement of expenses shall be established annually by the legislature.

**History:** 1965, Act 380, Imd. Eff. July 23, 1965 ;-- Am. 1967, Act 182, Eff. Nov. 2, 1967 ;-- Am. 1975, Act 70, Imd. Eff. May 20, 1975  
**Popular Name:** Act 380

#### **16.455 Director of department; appointment.**

Sec. 355.

The head of the department of transportation is the director of the department of transportation. The director shall be appointed as provided in section 5 of Act No. 286 of the Public Acts of 1964, as amended, being section 247.805 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

**History:** 1965, Act 380, Imd. Eff. July 23, 1965 ;-- Am. 1975, Act 70, Imd. Eff. May 20, 1975 ;-- Am. 1978, Act 483, Imd. Eff. Dec. 1, 1978  
**Popular Name:** Act 380

#### **16.456 State bridge commission; transfer and abolition.**

Sec. 356.

The state bridge commission created under Act No. 147 of the Public Acts of 1935, as amended, being sections 254.151 to 254.167 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is transferred by a type III transfer to the department of transportation, and the state bridge commission is abolished.

**History:** 1965, Act 380, Imd. Eff. July 23, 1965 ;-- Am. 1975, Act 70, Imd. Eff. May 20, 1975 ;-- Am. 1978, Act 483, Imd. Eff. Dec. 1, 1978  
**Popular Name:** Act 380

#### **16.457 Mackinac bridge authority; transfer to department of transportation; powers and duties of authority; employees; "authority" defined.**

Sec. 357.

(1) The Mackinac bridge authority created under 1950 (Ex Sess) PA 21, MCL 254.301 to 254.305, is transferred to the department of transportation.

(2) The authority shall exercise its prescribed statutory powers, duties, and functions independently of the director of the department of transportation. The budgeting, procurement, and related management functions of the authority shall be performed by the authority consistent with the requirements of generally applicable state law in consultation with the director of the department of transportation.

(3) Individuals employed by the department of transportation to provide services to the authority shall be employees of the department of transportation, members of the state classified service, but shall report to the executive secretary of the authority.

(4) As used in this section, "authority" means the Mackinac bridge authority created under 1950 (Ex Sess) PA 21, MCL 254.301 to 254.304.

**History:** 1965, Act 380, Imd. Eff. July 23, 1965 ;-- Am. 1975, Act 70, Imd. Eff. May 20, 1975 ;-- Am. 1978, Act 483, Imd. Eff. Dec. 1, 1978 ;-- Am. 2005, Act 330, Imd. Eff. Dec. 28, 2005  
**Popular Name:** Act 380

#### **16.458 International bridge authority; transfer.**

Sec. 358.

The international bridge authority created under section 2 of Act No. 237 of the Public Acts of 1935, being section 254.202 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is transferred by a type I transfer to the department of transportation.

**History:** 1965, Act 380, Imd. Eff. July 23, 1965 ;-- Am. 1975, Act 70, Imd. Eff. May 20, 1975 ;-- Am. 1978, Act 483, Imd. Eff. Dec. 1, 1978  
**Popular Name:** Act 380