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## **An Act To Require That Projects Undertaken by the Maine Turnpike Authority Have an Anticipated Useful Life of at Least 15 Years**

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

**Sec. 1. 23 MRSA §1966, sub-§1-A** is enacted to read:

**1-A. Consideration of useful life of construction and reconstruction.** In determining whether to undertake construction or reconstruction of the turnpike or its connecting tunnels and bridges, overpasses, underpasses, interchanges and toll facilities, the authority shall include in its evaluation the expected useful life of the proposed construction or reconstruction. The authority may not undertake a proposed construction or reconstruction that has an expected useful life of less than 15 years.

### **SUMMARY**

This bill requires that, in determining whether to undertake construction or reconstruction of the turnpike or its connecting tunnels and bridges, overpasses, underpasses, interchanges and toll facilities, the Maine Turnpike Authority include in its evaluation the expected useful life of the proposed construction or reconstruction. The bill prohibits the authority from undertaking a proposed construction or reconstruction that has an expected useful life of less than 15 years.