

The Commonwealth of Massachus::tts House of Representatives Late House, Boston 02133-1054

TODD M. SMOLA REPRESENTATIVE

1ST HAMPDEN DISTRICT

Tel. (617) 722-2240 Fax: (617) 722-2774

> Rep.ToddSmola@hou.state.ma.us Conor.Welch@mahouse.gov

STATE HOUSE, ROOM 156

Wales • Holland • Palmer • Ware Brimfield • Sturbridge • Warren

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE January 16, 2015 CONTACT: Conor Welch 617-722-2240

Representative Smola Announces Release of \$100 Million For Local Road and Bridge Repairs

BOSTON – Representative Todd Smola (R – Warren) today announced that all towns in the 1st Hampden District will be receiving additional funds for local transportation infrastructure projects. Governor Charlie Baker will be releasing \$100 million through Chapter 90 of the 2015 Budget. These funds will be distributed to communities throughout the Commonwealth. Brimfield will receive \$142,267. Holland will receive \$78,951. Palmer will receive \$283,990. Sturbridge will receive \$216,406. Wales will receive \$53,857. Ware will receive \$218,875. Warren will receive \$145,411.

"This is great news for the District and Massachusetts in general," said Representative Smola. "These funds will allow towns in our district to pay for much needed road and bridge projects. I want to thank Governor Baker for keeping his campaign promise to release these funds."

The legislature had previously authorized the use of this money but \$100 million had been held by the previous administration. The release of these funds was the first order of business of Governor Baker upon his swearing in.

###