

## **HB3 adopted by the Kentucky Senate and Kentucky House 6/24/09**

### ***What is the role and membership of the state authority and bi-state authorities?***

#### **Kentucky Public Transportation Infrastructure Authority (KPTIA):**

Responsible for reviewing, approving and monitoring local and bi-state authority projects.

Eleven Members: Secretaries of the Finance and Administration Cabinet and the Transportation Cabinet, a representative of the Kentucky Association of Counties, the Kentucky League of Cities, the Kentucky County Judges/Executive Association, and six (6) citizen members appointed by the Governor.

Must meet by Nov. 1, 2009

**Bi-State Authority:** Responsible for financing, constructing and operating a transportation mega-project with Indiana.

Seven Kentucky members: Four appointments by the Mayor would be confirmed by the Metro Council and no more than two could live in the same Senate District; three appointments by the Governor would be confirmed by the Kentucky Senate.

### ***Kentucky's process for establishing the Bi-State Authority for the Ohio River Bridges Project?***

The Louisville Metro Council would adopt a resolution requesting that the Mayor and Governor appoint Kentucky representatives to negotiate with a similar group from Indiana to create a Bi-State Authority.

The negotiated Bi-State Authority agreement would be presented to the KPTIA for approval. If approved, the agreement would be presented for ratification to the Kentucky General Assembly.

Following Kentucky General Assembly ratification, the KPTIA would authorize the Bi-State Authority and enter into an agreement with Indiana for its creation.

Before executing any agreement for construction of a project, the Bi-State Authority would prepare a finance plan covering construction timeline, project costs and financing.

The finance plan would be approved by KPTIA; however, no plan can be approved if it contains state funds exceeding amounts authorized by the Kentucky General Assembly in the most recent two-year road budget.

### **Indiana**

Indiana's Gov. has the authority to appoint a negotiating team, and budget proposals being considered by the Indiana General Assembly include a Ohio River Bridges Project Commission that could also negotiate an agreement.

The GA would have to approve any agreement between the states.