2013 Legislation Relating to East-West Highway and Energy Corridor

Nine bills have been introduced this year that could affect an East-West Highway Corridor in some fashion. Several bills would prevent the Department of Transportation from spending $300,000 appropriated in 2012 for an East-West highway feasibility study. Other bills would prohibit use of eminent domain for a private East-West highway, ensure transparency if such a corridor were pursued as a Public Private Partnership, or create a commission to oversee any further planning of an East-West corridor.

Rep. Cassidy
**LR 1871** *(not yet printed)* An Act To Defund the Feasibility Study for the East-west Highway East West Highway

Rep. Chapman
**LR 1679** *(not printed)* Resolve, To Modify an Authorized Feasibility Study East West Highway

Sen. Mazurek
**LD 870** Resolve, Regarding a Study by the Department of Transportation of the Most Efficient Options for Improving East-west Transit and Transportation East West Highway

Sen. Mazurek
**LD 985** Resolve, to Repeal the Requirement that the Department of Transportation Facilitate a Feasibility Study of an East West Highway and Provide for Public Access of Certain Documents East West Highway

Rep. McCabe
**LR 1201** *(not printed)* Resolve, Establishing the East-west Highway Study Commission to Oversee Further Study or Planning for an East-west Highway East West Highway

Rep. McCabe
**LD 721** An Act To Provide Transparency in Public-private Partnerships East West Highway; Public hearing held 3/22/13

Sen. Thomas
**LD 165** An Act To Prohibit the Use of Eminent Domain in Certain Public-Private Partnerships East-West Highway; voted Ought Not to Pass by Judiciary Committee

Sen. Thomas
**LD 58** RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Restrict the Use of Eminent Domain East West Highway; voted Ought Not to Pass by Judiciary Committee

Sen. Valentino
**LD 362** An Act To Prohibit Use of Public Funds for a Private Transportation Study East West Highway