# County Asks Staté Aid For Mass Transit Plan

A committee of the Wayne County Board of Commissioners hopes to testify before the State Senate Appropriations Committee to urge state funds for a proposed mass transit system.

MORE HAN \$200 million in federal transit funds has gone to metropholian areas in other states while southeastern Michigan has gotten only metropholian areas in other states while southeastern Michigan has gotten only metropholian areas in other states while southeastern Michigan has gotten only metropholian areas in other states while southeastern Michigan has gotten only southeaster



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Iransportation Authority
(SEMTA).
Ostenson was requested to
appear after the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)
announced a number of multimillionidollar grants to various
ranist systems, none of them
in Mchigan.
SEMTA was established by
the Legislature to develop a
regional public transit system
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more washenaw and St.
Clair currently, its financing
is dependent on grants from
counties, the Legislature and
DOT.
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six weeks, Ostenson told the committee.

Since the inception of the federal program, a total of \$225 million in capital grants has been distributed. Ostenson stated. "Michigan has received only \$350,000. That was for \$EMTA's inner city bus project."

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN Edmund Bizek of Romulus 1DJOSTICI 24) said he was "appalled" by the disparity between the amounts received here and elsewhere.
There are two roadblocks to a similar influx of lederal ransit funds into this region.
Ostenson said.
First, the present level of local funding is insufficient to match larger federal grants. One local dollar must be put up to match every two federal dollars for capital programs.
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THE COMMIQTEE ALSO heard a presentation on a proposed customs clearance center. The presentation was made by Roy Lancaster, president of the Detroit International Bridge Co., owners of the Ambassador Bridge.

Public Access Issue

# Lakeside Homes Ignored--Pursell

Carl D. Pursell says the state is "running rough-shod over lakeshore properly, owe for a six testablishes public access sites on lakes."

Pursell also criticized Star is Sen. George Kuhn (R. Wejt is Sen. George Kuhn (R.

cess acquisitions on his district.

"NSUNATE BILL [183 included an appropriation of \$\$20,000 to the Department of Natural Resources to purchasel of more public access."

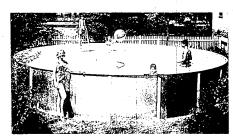
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ANOTHER FIRST -- Being presented a dozen red roses is Mrs. Vivian M. Cohen, wife of Dr. Philip-W. Cohen. The accasion was in honor of the Cohen family being the first to move into Wedgwood Commons, a Thompson Brown development in Fbrmington. Presenting the roses is Bob Bruce (right) subd vision manager for the Commons. With Dr. Cohen and his wife are their children, Kristin, and Gregory. The Cohens recently moved into their four-beform colonial home, one of eight models offered by Thompson-Brown Co., who has pioneered in "apen space" developments

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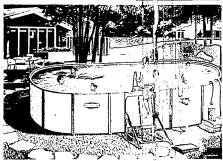


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