

1 AN ACT concerning transportation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Toll Highway Act is amended by changing
5 Section 11 as follows:

6 (605 ILCS 10/11) (from Ch. 121, par. 100-11)

7 Sec. 11. The Authority shall have power:

8 (a) To enter upon lands, waters and premises in the State
9 for the purpose of making surveys, soundings, drillings and
10 examinations as may be necessary, expedient or convenient for
11 the purposes of this Act, and such entry shall not be deemed to
12 be a trespass, nor shall an entry for such purpose be deemed an
13 entry under any condemnation proceedings which may be then
14 pending; provided, however, that the Authority shall make
15 reimbursement for any actual damage resulting to such lands,
16 waters and premises as the result of such activities.

17 (b) To construct, maintain and operate stations for the
18 collection of tolls or charges upon and along any toll
19 highways.

20 (c) To provide for the collection of tolls and charges for
21 the privilege of using the said toll highways. Before it adopts
22 an increase in the rates for toll, the Authority shall hold a
23 public hearing at which any person may appear, express

1 opinions, suggestions, or objections, or direct inquiries
2 relating to the proposed increase. Any person may submit a
3 written statement to the Authority at the hearing, whether
4 appearing in person or not. The hearing shall be held in the
5 county in which the proposed increase of the rates is to take
6 place. The Authority shall give notice of the hearing by
7 advertisement on 3 successive days at least 15 days prior to
8 the date of the hearing in a daily newspaper of general
9 circulation within the county within which the hearing is held.
10 The notice shall state the date, time, and place of the
11 hearing, shall contain a description of the proposed increase,
12 and shall specify how interested persons may obtain copies of
13 any reports, resolutions, or certificates describing the basis
14 on which the proposed change, alteration, or modification was
15 calculated. After consideration of any statements filed or oral
16 opinions, suggestions, objections, or inquiries made at the
17 hearing, the Authority may proceed to adopt the proposed
18 increase of the rates for toll if 8 of the directors of the
19 Authority vote in favor of adopting the proposed increase of
20 the rates for toll. No change or alteration in or modification
21 of the rates for toll shall be effective unless at least 90 ~~30~~
22 days prior to the effective date of such rates notice thereof
23 shall be given to the public by publication in a newspaper of
24 general circulation, and such notice, or notices, thereof shall
25 be posted and publicly displayed at each and every toll station
26 upon or along said toll highways.

1 (d) To construct, at the Authority's discretion, grade
2 separations at intersections with any railroads, waterways,
3 street railways, streets, thoroughfares, public roads or
4 highways intersected by the said toll highways, and to change
5 and adjust the lines and grades thereof so as to accommodate
6 the same to the design of such grade separation and to
7 construct interchange improvements. The Authority is
8 authorized to provide such grade separations or interchange
9 improvements at its own cost or to enter into contracts or
10 agreements with reference to division of cost therefor with any
11 municipality or political subdivision of the State of Illinois,
12 or with the Federal Government, or any agency thereof, or with
13 any corporation, individual, firm, person or association.
14 Where such structures have been built by the Authority and a
15 local highway agency did not enter into an agreement to the
16 contrary, the Authority shall maintain the entire structure,
17 including the road surface, at the Authority's expense.

18 (e) To contract with and grant concessions to or lease or
19 license to any person, partnership, firm, association or
20 corporation so desiring the use of any part of any toll
21 highways, excluding the paved portion thereof, but including
22 the right of way adjoining, under, or over said paved portion
23 for the placing of telephone, telegraph, electric, power lines
24 and other utilities, and for the placing of pipe lines, and to
25 enter into operating agreements with or to contract with and
26 grant concessions to or to lease to any person, partnership,

1 firm, association or corporation so desiring the use of any
2 part of the toll highways, excluding the paved portion thereof,
3 but including the right of way adjoining, or over said paved
4 portion for motor fuel service stations and facilities,
5 garages, stores and restaurants, or for any other lawful
6 purpose, and to fix the terms, conditions, rents, rates and
7 charges for such use.

8 The Authority shall also have power to establish reasonable
9 regulations for the installation, construction, maintenance,
10 repair, renewal, relocation and removal of pipes, mains,
11 conduits, cables, wires, towers, poles and other equipment and
12 appliances (herein called public utilities) of any public
13 utility as defined in the Public Utilities Act along, over or
14 under any toll road project. Whenever the Authority shall
15 determine that it is necessary that any such public utility
16 facilities which now are located in, on, along, over or under
17 any project or projects be relocated or removed entirely from
18 any such project or projects, the public utility owning or
19 operating such facilities shall relocate or remove the same in
20 accordance with the order of the Authority. All costs and
21 expenses of such relocation or removal, including the cost of
22 installing such facilities in a new location or locations, and
23 the cost of any land or lands, or interest in land, or any
24 other rights required to accomplish such relocation or removal
25 shall be ascertained and paid by the Authority as a part of the
26 cost of any such project or projects, and further, there shall

1 be no rent, fee or other charge of any kind imposed upon the
2 public utility owning or operating any facilities ordered
3 relocated on the properties of the said Authority and the said
4 Authority shall grant to the said public utility owning or
5 operating said facilities and its successors and assigns the
6 right to operate the same in the new location or locations for
7 as long a period and upon the same terms and conditions as it
8 had the right to maintain and operate such facilities in their
9 former location or locations.

10 (f) To enter into an intergovernmental agreement or
11 contract with a unit of local government or other public or
12 private entity for the collection, enforcement, and
13 administration of tolls, fees, revenue, and violations.

14 The General Assembly finds that electronic toll collection
15 systems in Illinois should be standardized to promote safety,
16 efficiency, and traveler convenience. The Authority shall
17 cooperate with other public and private entities to further the
18 goal of standardized toll collection in Illinois and is
19 authorized to provide toll collection and toll violation
20 enforcement services to such entities when doing so is in the
21 best interest of the Authority and consistent with its
22 obligations under Section 23 of this Act.

23 (Source: P.A. 97-252, eff. 8-4-11.)