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AN ACT in relation to highways.

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

Section 5. The Toll Highway Act is amended by changing
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 for the purpose of making surveys, soundings, drillings 9 and examinations as may be necessary, expedient or convenient 10 for the purposes of this Act, and such entry shall not be 11 12 deemed to be a trespass, nor shall an entry for such purpose 13 be deemed an entry under any condemnation proceedings which may be then pending; provided, however, that the Authority 14 15 shall make reimbursement for any actual damage resulting to 16 such lands, waters and premises as the result of such activities. 17

18 (b) To construct, maintain and operate stations for the 19 collection of tolls or charges upon and along any toll 20 highways.

(c) To provide for the collection of tolls and charges 21 22 for the privilege of using the said toll highways. Before it adopts an increase in the rates for toll, the Authority shall 23 hold a public hearing at which any person may appear, express 24 opinions, suggestions, or objections, or direct inquiries 25 26 relating to the proposed increase. Any person may submit a 27 written statement to the Authority at the hearing, whether appearing in person or not. The hearing shall be held in the 28 29 county in which the proposed increase of the rates is to take place. The Authority shall give notice of the hearing by 30 advertisement on 3 successive days at least 15 days prior to 31

1 the date of the hearing in a daily newspaper of general 2 circulation within the county within which the hearing is held. The notice shall state the date, time, and place of 3 4 the hearing, shall contain a description of the proposed 5 increase, and shall specify how interested persons may obtain 6 copies of any reports, resolutions, or certificates 7 basis on which the proposed change, describing the 8 alteration, or modification was calculated. After 9 consideration of any statements filed or oral opinions, suggestions, objections, or inquiries made at the hearing, 10 11 the Authority may proceed to adopt the proposed increase of the rates for toll. No change or alteration 12 in or modification of the rates for toll shall be effective unless 13 at least 30 days prior to the effective date of such rates 14 notice thereof shall be given to the public by publication in 15 16 a newspaper of general circulation, and such notice, or notices, thereof shall be posted and publicly displayed at 17 18 each and every toll station upon or along said toll highways.

19 (d) To construct, at the Authority's discretion, grade separations at intersections with any railroads, waterways, 20 21 street railways, streets, thoroughfares, public roads or highways intersected by the said toll highways, and to change 22 23 and adjust the lines and grades thereof so as to accommodate the same to the design of such grade separation and to 24 25 construct interchange improvements. The Authority is 26 authorized to provide such grade separations or interchange improvements at its own cost or to enter into contracts 27 or agreements with reference to division of cost therefor with 28 29 any municipality or political subdivision of the State of 30 Illinois, or with the Federal Government, or any agency thereof, or with any corporation, individual, firm, person or 31 32 association. Where such structures have been built by the Authority and a local highway agency did not enter into an 33 agreement to the contrary, the Authority shall maintain the 34

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entire structure, including the road surface, at the
 Authority's expense.

(e) To contract with and grant concessions to or lease 3 4 license to any person, partnership, firm, association or or corporation so desiring the use of any part of any toll 5 6 highways, excluding the paved portion thereof, but including 7 the right of way adjoining, under, or over said paved portion 8 for the placing of telephone, telegraph, electric, power 9 lines and other utilities, and for the placing of pipe lines, and to enter into operating agreements with or to contract 10 11 with and grant concessions to or to lease to any person, 12 partnership, firm, association or corporation so desiring the use of any part of the toll highways, excluding the paved 13 portion thereof, but including the right of way adjoining, or 14 over said paved portion for motor fuel service stations and 15 16 facilities, garages, stores and restaurants, or for any other lawful purpose, and to fix the terms, conditions, rents, 17 rates and charges for such use. 18

19 The Authority shall also have power to establish reasonable regulations for the installation, construction, 20 21 maintenance, repair, renewal, relocation and removal of 22 pipes, mains, conduits, cables, wires, towers, poles and 23 equipment and appliances (herein called public other utilities) of any public utility as defined in the Public 24 25 Utilities Act along, over or under any toll road project. Whenever the Authority shall determine that it is necessary 26 that any such public utility facilities which now are located 27 in, on, along, over or under any project or projects be 28 relocated or removed entirely from any such project or 29 30 projects, the public utility owning or operating such facilities shall relocate or remove the same in accordance 31 32 with the order of the Authority. All costs and expenses of such relocation or removal, including the cost of installing 33 such facilities in a new location or locations, and the cost 34

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1 of any land or lands, or interest in land, or any other 2 rights required to accomplish such relocation or removal shall be ascertained and paid by the Authority as a part of 3 4 the cost of any such project or projects, and further, there 5 shall be no rent, fee or other charge of any kind imposed 6 upon the public utility owning or operating any facilities 7 ordered relocated on the properties of the said Authority and the said Authority shall grant to the said public utility 8 9 owning or operating said facilities and its successors and assigns the right to operate the same in the new location or 10 11 locations for as long a period and upon the same terms and conditions as it had the right to maintain and operate such 12 facilities in their former location or locations. 13

14 (f) To enter into a contract with a unit of local 15 government or other public or private entity under which the 16 Authority agrees to collect by electronic means tolls, fees, 17 or revenues on behalf of that entity.

18 (Source: P.A. 90-681, eff. 7-31-98.)

19 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect on 20 July 1, 2002.