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Raised Bill No. 1353

LCO No. 4463

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Referred to Committee on Transportation

Introduced by:
(TRA)

**AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON
IMPLEMENTING CONGESTION PRICING.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) (a) The Department of
2 Transportation shall conduct a study on the feasibility of
3 implementing a congestion pricing system along selected state and
4 federally-funded highways. Such study shall include, but not be
5 limited to, (1) an analysis of existing and future no-build conditions,
6 roadway operations and geometry, transit services and operations, and
7 planned and programmed transportation modifications; (2) an analysis
8 of various types of pricing strategies and identification of potential
9 system collection locations, including, but not limited to, borders,
10 urban centers, bridges, tunnels, high occupancy vehicle facilities, and
11 transit pricing for rail and bus; (3) identification of the costs of
12 operational components; (4) required system hardware; (5) parameters
13 of operation; (6) enforcement; (7) vehicle identification; (8)
14 administrative requirements, including, but not limited to, monitoring,
15 revenue collection, and billing systems; (9) economic effectiveness and
16 revenue estimates; (10) roadway and transit operational impacts; (11)

17 selection of a preferred pricing program; (12) environmental and social
18 impacts or benefits; (13) capital construction costs; (14) operating costs;
19 (15) governance; and (16) recommendations or final report.

20 (b) The Department of Transportation shall establish an advisory
21 committee and develop a public outreach plan as part of such study.

22 (c) Not later than December 31, 2009, the Department of
23 Transportation shall submit a report on its findings and
24 recommendations to the Governor and the joint standing committee of
25 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
26 transportation, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of
27 the general statutes.

28 Sec. 2. (*Effective July 1, 2007*) The sum of four million five hundred
29 thousand dollars is appropriated to the Department of Transportation,
30 from the Special Transportation Fund, for the fiscal year ending June
31 30, 2008, to carry out the purposes of section 1 of this act.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To study the feasibility of implementing a congestion pricing strategy that will preserve or enhance travel along state highways, improve air quality and generate revenue.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]