

To Whom it May Concern;

There are some questions that need to be answered before a decision is made regarding this issue. One of the concerns I have is what will the actual toll cost be and how is the rate determined? The other concern I have is a concern that many of us who have seen where a tax and or a charge is placed on the tax payer for a program funding only to find out it ends up financing something else. One that comes to mind is the "Gross Receipts Tax". Initially 1% of the tax collected was supposed to go to the "Under Storage Tank program which would allow service station owners the funds necessary to clean up a spill of some sort if it should occur. This tax has made the price per gallon in Connecticut one of the highest in the nation. Today less than 1% is contributed to the program where the rest ends up in funds that is used for the day to day operation, i.e. "Rainy Day Fund" for the State. What guaranties will we be given that the toll revenue will go to the Transportation Fund.

My last question is what will the monies collected be directly used for?

I hope the legislators take their time and ask the right questions so the tax payers of this State are not given an additional financial burden.

If the tolls will lower the price per gallon to us in Connecticut than it might be something to look at.

Thank you for the opportunity to express my concerns.

Regards,

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