

**The Connecticut Citizens Transportation Lobby  
132 Sturges Road  
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**Raised Bill H.B. 6818**

**An Act Concerning the Establishment of Electronic Tolls At the State's Borders**

The Ct. Citizens Transportation Lobby is an organization of concerned citizens from around the state who came together in 2003 to advocate for safer highways and increased mass transit in Connecticut.

The CT-CTL has always strongly supported congestion mitigation on our Connecticut Interstates, the Merritt Parkway and Wilber Cross Highway. While we are pleased that the Transportation Committee is introducing legislation that would bring electronic tolling to Connecticut, we do not support H.B. 6818 as written - a proposal that would limit installation of tolls to state borders.

Such a restriction would not only be inadequate to help finance our highway system, but would be unfair to residents living near the borders or commuting to work across state lines.

We recommend that Connecticut install gantries on all Interstates, the Merritt Parkway and Wilber Cross to help mitigate congestion on our roads.

Further, factor for time-of-day pricing should be included, with travel at peak times more expensive than during off peak hours. This will allow revenues to be used for general congestion-mitigation purposes such as mass transit alternatives,

We urge you to vote for a user fee that will be fair to all Connecticut drivers and vote against a border toll.

Thank you,

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