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VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY - CHAPTER

2 An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 33.1-23.03:10, relating to imposition and collection of tolls for use of Interstate Highway System components.

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Approved

6 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

7 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 33.1-23.03:10 as follows:
 § 33.1-23.03:10. Tolls for use of Interstate Highway System components.

9 A. Notwithstanding any contrary provision of this title and in accordance with all applicable federal 10 and state statutes and requirements, the Commonwealth Transportation Board may impose and collect 11 tolls from all classes of vehicles in amounts established by the Board for the use of any component of 12 the Interstate Highway System within the Commonwealth. Such funds so collected shall be deposited into 13 the Transportation Trust Fund established pursuant to § 33.1-23.03:1, subject to allocation by the Board 14 as provided in this section.

B. The toll facilities authorized by this section shall be subject to the provisions of federal law for
the purpose of tolling motor vehicles to finance interstate construction and reconstruction, promote
efficiency in the use of highways, reduce traffic congestion, improve air quality and for such other
purposes as may be permitted by federal law.

C. In order to mitigate traffic congestion in the vicinity of the toll facilities, no toll facility shall be
operated without high-speed automated toll collection technology designed to allow motorists to travel
through the toll facilities without stopping to make payments. Nothing in this subsection shall be
construed to prohibit a toll facility from retaining means of non-automated toll collection in some lanes
of the facility. The Board shall also consider traffic congestion and mitigation thereof and the impact on
local traffic movement as factors in determining the location of the toll facilities authorized pursuant to
this section.

D. The revenues collected from each toll facility established pursuant to this section shall be
 deposited into segregated subaccounts in the Transportation Trust Fund and may be allocated by the
 Commonwealth Transportation Board as the Board deems appropriate to:

1. Pay or finance all or part of the costs of programs or projects, including without limitation the costs of planning, operation, maintenance and improvements incurred in connection with the toll facility provided that such allocations shall be limited to programs and projects that are reasonably related to or benefit the users of the toll facility. The priorities of metropolitan planning organizations, planning district commissions, local governments, and transportation corridors shall be considered by the Board in making project allocations from such revenues deposited into the Transportation Trust Fund.

35 2. Repay funds from the Toll Facilities Revolving Account or the Transportation Partnership 36 Opportunity Fund.

37 3. Pay the Board's reasonable costs and expenses incurred in the administration and management of
 38 the Toll Facility.

2. That the provision of this act shall not apply to Chapter 22 of Title 56 or any payment received by the Commonwealth Transportation Board pursuant to § 33.1-23.03:9 of the Code of Virginia. HB2314ER