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HOUSE BILL NO. 717

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A BILL to amend and reenact § 33.1-56.2 of the Code of Virginia, relating to designation of

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Referred to Committee on Transportation

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 33.1-56.2 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 33.1-56.2. Designation of HOT lanes.

high-occupancy toll lanes.

The Board may designate one or more lanes of any highway, including lanes that may previously have been designated HOV lanes under § 33.1-46.2, in the interstate system of highways, primary system of highways, or national highway system, or any portion thereof, as high-occupancy toll lanes, or HOT lanes. In making HOT lanes designations, the Board shall also specify the high-occupancy requirement and conditions for use of such HOT lanes, or may authorize the Commissioner to make such determination consistent with the terms of a comprehensive agreement executed pursuant to § 56-566. The high-occupancy requirement for a HOT lanes facility constructed or operated as a result of the Public-Private Transportation Act (§ 56-556 et seq.) shall not be less than three. No portion of any highway designated by the Board as HOV lanes prior to January 1, 2006, shall be designated as HOT lanes.