EMERGENCY BILL

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By: Senator Pipkin

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Assigned to: Rules

A BILL ENTITLED

1	AN ACT concerning		
2 3	Maryland Transportation Authority – Intercounty Connector – Equitable Treatment of Toll Rates		
4 5 6 7 8	FOR the purpose of requiring equitable treatment of toll rates on the Intercounty Connector in connection with any action by the Maryland Transportation Authority involving toll revenue affecting other transportation facilities projects owned or operated by the Authority; making this Act an emergency measure and generally relating to toll rates on the Intercounty Connector.		
9 10 11 12 13	BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – Transportation Section 4–312(a) Annotated Code of Maryland (2008 Replacement Volume and 2011 Supplement)		
14 15	SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:		
16	Article - Transportation		
17	4–312.		
18 19 20 21 22	(a) (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of § 20 of Section 3 and § 16 of Section 4 of Chapter 608 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1976, tolls may continue to be charged on the John F. Kennedy Memorial Highway and any project constructed under the provisions of § 3 (bridge, tunnel, and motorway revenue bonds) of Chapter 608 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1976.		
23 24	(2) As to all or any part of any transportation facilities project, the Authority may:		



1	(i)	Fix, revise, charge, and collect rentals, rates, fees, tolls, and
2	other charges and revenu	les for its use or for its services; and

- (ii) Contract with any person who desires its use for any purpose and fix the terms, conditions, rentals, rates, fees, tolls, or other charges or revenues for this use.
- (3) ANY ACTIONS BY THE AUTHORITY INVOLVING TOLL REVENUE AFFECTING ANY TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES PROJECT OWNED OR OPERATED BY THE AUTHORITY SHALL INCLUDE EQUITABLE TREATMENT OF RATES CHARGED FOR TRAVEL ON THE INTERCOUNTY CONNECTOR.
- SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health or safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three–fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.