GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1993 SESSION

CHAPTER 765 SENATE BILL 917

AN ACT TO ALLOW THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO CHARGE A TOLL ON CERTAIN BRIDGES IN THE INTRASTATE SYSTEM.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Article 6 of Chapter 136 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"<u>§ 136-82.2. State toll bridges.</u>

(a) Toll. – The Department of Transportation may charge a toll for the use of a bridge that is included in the Highway Trust Fund Intrastate System Projects, which are listed in G.S. 136-179, and is at least three and one-half miles in length. The toll may not exceed ten dollars (\$10.00) for a round trip or five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for an annual pass for a vehicle. The Department may set different rates of fees for passenger motor vehicles and for property-carrying vehicles. The Department may employ personnel to collect the toll and may construct and operate a toll plaza for collection of the toll. Toll revenue that exceeds the cost of collecting the toll shall be credited to the Highway Trust Fund.

(b) Report. – The Department of Transportation shall report annually to the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee on a toll imposed under this section. The report shall state the amount of toll revenue collected, the number of users paying the toll, the cost of collecting the toll, and any other information requested by the Committee."

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 16th day of July, 1994.

Dennis A. Wicker President of the Senate

Daniel Blue, Jr. Speaker of the House of Representatives