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SENATE BILL 1381*
Transportation Committee Substitute Adopted 6/20/06

Short Title: Repeal Toll Bridge Authority.

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Sponsors:

Referred to:

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT TO REPEAL THE NORTH CAROLINA BRIDGE AUTHORITY AND THE
2 AUTHORIZATION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO
3 ISSUE A PRIVATE PILOT TOLL PROJECT LICENSE, AS RECOMMENDED
4 BY THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE TRANSPORTATION OVERSIGHT
5 COMMITTEE, TO AUTHORIZE THE NC TURNPIKE AUTHORITY TO
6 CONVERT CERTAIN FREE HIGHWAYS CONTIGUOUS TO EXISTING OR
7 PLANNED TOLL FACILITIES, AND TO GRANT THE TURNPIKE
8 AUTHORITY RIGHT OF ENTRY FOR SURVEYS.
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10 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

11 **SECTION 1.** Article 6F of Chapter 136 of the General Statutes is repealed.

12 **SECTION 2.** Article 6G of Chapter 136 of the General Statutes is repealed.

13 **SECTION 3.** G.S. 136-89.187 reads as rewritten:

14 **"§ 136-89.187. Conversion of free highways prohibited.**

15 The Authority Board is prohibited from converting any segment of the nontolled
16 State highway system to a toll ~~facility.~~ facility, unless the segment is contiguous to an
17 existing or planned toll facility and the Authority Board determines that converting the
18 segment to a toll facility is needed to help establish the financial viability of the existing
19 or planned toll facility. If the Authority Board determines that converting the segment to
20 a toll facility is needed to help establish the financial viability of the existing or planned
21 toll facility, the Department is authorized to dedicate or otherwise convey the segment
22 of the State highway system to the Authority for use as a toll facility."

23 **SECTION 4.** G.S. 136-89.194 is amended by adding a new subsection to
24 read:

25 "(d) Entry for Surveys. – The Turnpike Authority and its employees and
26 contractors shall have the same right of entry for surveys, borings, soundings or
27 examinations as granted the Department of Transportation in G.S. 136-120."

28 **SECTION 5.** This act is effective when it becomes law.