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HOUSE BILL 1245 Committee Substitute Favorable 7/28/09

Short Title: DOT Study Tolling at State Lines/Other States. (Public) Sponsors: Referred to: April 9, 2009 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF TOLLING ALL INTERSTATE HIGHWAYS ENTERING INTO THIS STATE IN COOPERATION WITH EACH SURROUNDING STATE. The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts: **SECTION 1.** The North Carolina Department of Transportation shall study the feasibility of tolling all interstate highways entering into this State. In studying this issue, the Department shall: (1) Ascertain the process for getting permission from the United States Department of Transportation to toll all existing highways designated as interstate routes. Conduct a cost benefit analysis of engaging the surrounding states in a (2) compact that will allow for toll collections at state lines and a division, between the affected states, of tolls collected based on the percentage of total miles of an interstate highway that is in each state. Determine the cost benefit of tolling existing highways designated as (3) interstate routes. Determine the actual cost of construction of toll booths at or near a state line (4) factoring in inflation. Determine any revenue or fund losses based on tolling existing highways (5) designated as interstate routes. **SECTION 2.** The Department shall make a report to the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee and the Fiscal Research Division not later than March 1, 2010. The report shall include the required information, any previous legislation that was

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enacted or repealed that deals with this issue, and any recommended legislation.

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.