

1 AN ACT concerning government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Toll Bridge Act is amended by changing  
5 Section 7 as follows:

6 (605 ILCS 115/7) (from Ch. 137, par. 7)

7 Sec. 7. Toll rates; electronic toll collection.

8 (a) The county board shall fix the rates of toll, and may  
9 from time to time, alter and change the same, including by  
10 establishing a toll rate schedule, setting a maximum toll rate  
11 that may be adjusted from time to time, or by establishing  
12 another toll rate structure, and in case of the neglect of the  
13 owner of the bridge to keep the same in proper repair and safe  
14 for the crossing of persons and property, may prohibit the  
15 taking of toll.

16 (b) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the county  
17 board may enter into an agreement establishing a toll rate  
18 schedule for a period not to exceed 99 years. This amendatory  
19 Act of the 101st General Assembly is declarative of existing  
20 law and shall be given retroactive effect.

21 (c) Except as regarding toll bridges or as otherwise  
22 provided by law, nothing in Public Act 101-398 ~~this amendatory~~  
23 ~~Act of the 101st General Assembly~~ shall be construed to

1 authorize a county, municipality, local government, or private  
2 operator to impose a toll upon any public road, street, or  
3 highway; nor shall any provision of Public Act 101-398 ~~this~~  
4 ~~amendatory Act of the 101st General Assembly~~ be construed to  
5 authorize, pursuant to an intergovernmental agreement or  
6 otherwise, the imposition of any toll upon any public road,  
7 street, or highway.

8 (d) The General Assembly finds that electronic toll  
9 collection systems in Illinois should be standardized to  
10 promote safety, efficiency, and traveler convenience. If  
11 electronic toll collection is used on such bridge, the county  
12 shall cause the configuration of the electronic toll collection  
13 system to be compatible with the electronic toll collection  
14 system used by the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority. The  
15 municipality or private operator may enter into an agreement  
16 with the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority to provide for  
17 such compatibility or to have the Authority provide electronic  
18 toll collection or toll violation enforcement services. Any  
19 toll bridges in Winnebago County that are in operation and  
20 collecting tolls on the effective date of this amendatory Act  
21 of the 97th General Assembly are exempt from the provisions of  
22 the Act.

23 (Source: P.A. 101-398, eff. 8-16-19.)

24 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
25 becoming law.