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- 1 AN ACT in relation to toll highways.
- 2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
- 3 represented in the General Assembly:
- 4 Section 5. The Toll Highway Act is amended by changing
- 5 Section 11 as follows:
- 6 (605 ILCS 10/11) (from Ch. 121, par. 100-11)
- 7 Sec. 11. The Authority shall have power:
- 8 (a) To enter upon lands, waters and premises in the
- 9 State for the purpose of making surveys, soundings, drillings
- 10 and examinations as may be necessary, expedient or convenient
- 11 for the purposes of this Act, and such entry shall not be
- deemed to be a trespass, nor shall an entry for such purpose
- 13 be deemed an entry under any condemnation proceedings which
- 14 may be then pending; provided, however, that the Authority
- 15 shall make reimbursement for any actual damage resulting to
- 16 such lands, waters and premises as the result of such
- 17 activities.
- 18 (b) To construct, maintain and operate stations for the
- 19 collection of tolls or charges upon and along any toll
- 20 highways.
- 21 (c) To provide for the collection of tolls and charges
- for the privilege of using the said toll highways. All moneys
- 23 <u>collected at a toll highway station must be used for the</u>
- 24 upkeep and maintenance of that toll highway and may not be
- 25 <u>used for the expansion of any other toll highway.</u> Before it
- 26 adopts an increase in the rates for toll, the Authority shall
- 27 hold a public hearing at which any person may appear, express
- 28 opinions, suggestions, or objections, or direct inquiries
- 29 relating to the proposed increase. Any person may submit a
- 30 written statement to the Authority at the hearing, whether
- 31 appearing in person or not. The hearing shall be held in the

1 county in which the proposed increase of the rates is to take 2 place. The Authority shall give notice of the hearing by advertisement on 3 successive days at least 15 days prior to 3 4 the date of the hearing in a daily newspaper of general 5 circulation within the county within which the hearing is 6 held. The notice shall state the date, time, and place of the hearing, shall contain a description of the proposed 7 increase, and shall specify how interested persons may obtain 8 9 copies of any reports, resolutions, certificates or describing which the proposed change, 10 the basis on 11 alteration, or modification was calculated. After consideration of any statements filed or oral opinions, 12 suggestions, objections, or inquiries made at the 13 hearing, the Authority may proceed to adopt the proposed increase of 14 15 the rates for toll. No change or alteration 16 modification of the rates for toll shall be effective unless at least 30 days prior to the effective date of such rates 17 notice thereof shall be given to the public by publication in 18 19 a newspaper of general circulation, and such notice, or notices, thereof shall be posted and publicly displayed at 20 2.1 each and every toll station upon or along said toll highways. 22 The Authority may not increase the rates for toll without the approval of the General Assembly and the Governor. The 23 Governor's approval shall be in writing and the General 24 25 Assembly's approval shall be by joint resolution. 26

(d) To construct, at the Authority's discretion, grade separations at intersections with any railroads, waterways, street railways, streets, thoroughfares, public roads or highways intersected by the said toll highways, and to change and adjust the lines and grades thereof so as to accommodate the same to the design of such grade separation and to construct interchange improvements. The Authority is authorized to provide such grade separations or interchange improvements at its own cost or to enter into contracts or

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1 agreements with reference to division of cost therefor with

any municipality or political subdivision of the State of

3 Illinois, or with the Federal Government, or any agency

4 thereof, or with any corporation, individual, firm, person or

association. Where such structures have been built by the

Authority and a local highway agency did not enter into an

agreement to the contrary, the Authority shall maintain the

entire structure, including the road surface, at the

9 Authority's expense.

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(e) To contract with and grant concessions to or license to any person, partnership, firm, association or corporation so desiring the use of any part of any toll highways, excluding the paved portion thereof, but including the right of way adjoining, under, or over said paved portion for the placing of telephone, telegraph, electric, power lines and other utilities, and for the placing of pipe lines, and to enter into operating agreements with or to contract with and grant concessions to or to lease to any person, partnership, firm, association or corporation so desiring the use of any part of the toll highways, excluding the paved portion thereof, but including the right of way adjoining, or over said paved portion for motor fuel service stations and facilities, garages, stores and restaurants, or for any other lawful purpose, and to fix the terms, conditions, rents, rates and charges for such use.

The Authority shall also have power to 26 establish reasonable regulations for the installation, construction, 27 maintenance, repair, renewal, relocation and removal of 28 29 pipes, mains, conduits, cables, wires, towers, poles and 30 equipment and appliances (herein called public utilities) of any public utility as defined in the Public 31 32 Utilities Act along, over or under any toll road project. Whenever the Authority shall determine that it is necessary 33 that any such public utility facilities which now are located 34

in, on, along, over or under any project or projects be 1 2 relocated or removed entirely from any such project or projects, the public utility owning or operating such 3 4 facilities shall relocate or remove the same in accordance 5 with the order of the Authority. All costs and expenses of 6 such relocation or removal, including the cost of installing 7 such facilities in a new location or locations, and the cost of any land or lands, or interest 8 in land, or any other 9 rights required to accomplish such relocation or removal shall be ascertained and paid by the Authority as a part of 10 11 the cost of any such project or projects, and further, there shall be no rent, fee or other charge of any kind imposed 12 upon the public utility owning or operating any facilities 13 ordered relocated on the properties of the said Authority and 14 the said Authority shall grant to the said public utility 15 16 owning or operating said facilities and its successors and assigns the right to operate the same in the new location or 17 18 locations for as long a period and upon the same terms and 19 conditions as it had the right to maintain and operate such facilities in their former location or locations. 20

21 (Source: P.A. 90-681, eff. 7-31-98.)