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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 48

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HIGHWAYS/INTERSTATE: Urges and requests the Department of Transportation and Development to study I-12 express tolling operations compared to how other states implement express tolling

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2	To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to study I-12
3	express tolling operations compared to the tolling practices of other states.
4	WHEREAS, the purpose of tolled managed lanes in other states is to keep traffic
5	moving at a speed of at least 50 mph; and
6	WHEREAS, the traffic speeds are managed through dynamic pricing as it fluctuates
7	based on congestion in the lanes; and
8	WHEREAS, the price increase helps keep express lanes from becoming congested;
9	and
0	WHEREAS, the express lanes in some states are optional, price-managed lanes that
1	complement existing interstates in some of the most congested corridors; and
12	WHEREAS, the operation of pricing aspects of the lanes, including all customer
13	service functions in most states are managed by private-sectors in exchange for toll revenue
4	from express lanes; and
15	WHEREAS, express lanes use FasTrak for the electronic collection of tolls; and
16	WHEREAS, the overhead electronic pricing signs display the toll rate required to use
17	the express lanes for specific locations; and
18	WHEREAS, toll systems are fully electronic and roadside equipment recognizes the
9	FasTrak tag to automatically deduct the toll from the prepaid balance of the account holder;
20	and

1 WHEREAS, collecting tolls makes it possible to carry out large infrastructure 2 projects that are financed directly by users; and 3 WHEREAS, at minimum, the focus of the study shall be as follows: 4 (1) To develop a systematic, analytical framework and to evaluate the effect of the 5 toll system's benefits. 6 (2) To remedy problems before they occur; such as the effect tolling would have on 7 the travel time for the citizens of Louisiana. 8 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby 9 urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to study the I-12 10 express tolling compared to the toll practices of other states. 11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the department shall submit a written report to 12 the House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works detailing its findings 13 by January 1, 2025. 14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the

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secretary of the Department of Transportation and Development.

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Urges and requests the Dept. of Transportation and Development (DOTD) to study I-12 express tolling operations in comparison to the toll practices of other states to ensure long lasting reliable toll operations for the state of Louisiana. Requires the department to submit a written report to the House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works detailing its finding by Jan. 1, 2025.