

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

Comm: WD 04/14/2011

The Committee on Budget Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development Appropriations (Bogdanoff) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 889 and 890 insert:

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Section 15. Subsection (1) of section 338.155, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

338.155 Payment of toll on toll facilities required; exemptions.-

(1) No persons are permitted to use any toll facility without payment of tolls, except employees of the agency operating the toll project when using the toll facility on



official state business, state military personnel while on official military business, handicapped persons as provided in this section, persons exempt from toll payment by the authorizing resolution for bonds issued to finance the facility, and persons exempt on a temporary basis where use of such toll facility is required as a detour route, and persons operating public transit vehicles owned or operated by a county, municipality, political subdivision, or other public district or authority. Any law enforcement officer operating a marked official vehicle is exempt from toll payment when on official law enforcement business. Any person operating a fire vehicle when on official business or a rescue vehicle when on official business is exempt from toll payment. Any person participating in the funeral procession of a law enforcement officer or firefighter killed in the line of duty is exempt from toll payment. The secretary, or the secretary's designee, may suspend the payment of tolls on a toll facility when necessary to assist in emergency evacuation. The failure to pay a prescribed toll constitutes a noncriminal traffic infraction, punishable as a moving violation pursuant to s. 318.18. The department is authorized to adopt rules relating to the payment, collection, and enforcement of tolls, as authorized in chapters 316, 318, 320, 322, and 338, including, but not limited to, rules for the implementation of video or other image billing and variable pricing.

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41	Delete line 46
42	and insert:
43	access facilities; amending s. 338.155, F.S.;
44	providing that persons operating public transit
45	vehicles owned or operated by a county, municipality,
46	political subdivision, or other public district or
47	authority are exempt from the payment of tolls;
48	amending s. 338.227, F.S.;