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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Appropriations (Hooper) recommended the following:

1           **Senate Substitute for Amendment (647196) (with title**  
2 **amendment)**

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4           Between lines 651 and 652  
5 insert:

6           Section 8. Paragraph (a) of subsection (3) of section  
7 338.26, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

8           338.26 Alligator Alley toll road.—

9           (3) (a) Fees generated from tolls shall be deposited in the  
10 State Transportation Trust Fund and shall be used:



- 11           1. To reimburse outstanding contractual obligations;
- 12           2. To operate and maintain the highway and toll facilities,  
13 including reconstruction and restoration;
- 14           3. To pay for those projects that are funded with Alligator  
15 Alley toll revenues and that are contained in the 1993-1994  
16 adopted work program or the 1994-1995 tentative work program  
17 submitted to the Legislature on February 22, 1994; and
- 18           4. By interlocal agreement ~~effective July 1, 2019, through~~  
19 ~~no later than June 30, 2027,~~ to reimburse a local governmental  
20 entity for the direct actual costs of operating the fire station  
21 at mile marker 63 on Alligator Alley, which shall be used by the  
22 local governmental entity to provide fire, rescue, and emergency  
23 management services exclusively to the public on Alligator  
24 Alley. The local governmental entity must contribute 10 percent  
25 of the direct actual operating costs.
- 26           a. The interlocal agreement effective July 1, 2019, through  
27 June 30, 2027, shall control until such time that the local  
28 governmental entity and the department enter into a new  
29 agreement or agree to extend the existing agreement. For the  
30 2024-2025 fiscal year, the amount of reimbursement shall be \$2  
31 million.
- 32           b. Beginning no later than April 30, 2025, and every 5  
33 years thereafter, the local governmental entity must provide a  
34 maintenance and operations comprehensive plan to the department.  
35 The comprehensive plan must include a current inventory of  
36 assets, including their projected service life, and area service  
37 needs; the call and response history for emergency services  
38 provided in the preceding 5 years on Alligator Alley, including  
39 costs; and future projections for assets and equipment,



40 including replacement or purchase needs, and operating costs.

41 c. The local government entity and the department shall  
42 review and adopt the comprehensive plan as part of the  
43 interlocal agreement.

44 d. In concurrence with projected incoming toll revenues for  
45 Alligator Alley, the department shall include the corresponding  
46 funding needs of the comprehensive plan into the department's  
47 work program ~~The amount of reimbursement to the local~~  
48 ~~governmental entity may not exceed \$1.4 million in any state~~  
49 ~~fiscal year.~~

50 e. At the end of the term of the interlocal agreement, the  
51 ownership and title of all fire, rescue, and emergency equipment  
52 purchased with state funds and used at the fire station during  
53 the term of the interlocal agreement transfers to the state.

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55 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

56 And the title is amended as follows:

57 Delete line 63

58 and insert:

59 and entities; amending s. 338.26, F.S.; revising the  
60 date by which fees generated from tolls deposited into  
61 the State Transportation Trust Fund must be used to  
62 reimburse a local government entity for certain costs  
63 of operating a specified fire station; requiring that  
64 the interlocal agreement which authorizes such  
65 reimbursement to control for a specified time until  
66 the local governmental entity and the department enter  
67 into a new agreement or agree to extend the agreement;  
68 specifying the amount of reimbursement for the 2024-



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69 2025 fiscal year; requiring the local governmental  
70 entity, by a specified date and at specified intervals  
71 thereafter, to provide a maintenance and operations  
72 comprehensive plan to the department, which includes a  
73 current inventory of assets; requiring the local  
74 government entity and the department to review and  
75 adopt the comprehensive plan as part of the interlocal  
76 agreement; requiring the department to program  
77 corresponding funding needs into the department's work  
78 program; requiring that ownership and title of certain  
79 equipment purchased with state funds and used at the  
80 fire station during the term of the interlocal  
81 agreement transfer to the state at the end of the term  
82 of the agreement; creating s. 339.2820, F.S.; creating