

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate Comm: WD 03/19/2015 House

The Committee on Transportation (Evers) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 1446 and 1447

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Section 29. Subsection (1) of section 338.155, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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

(1) A person may not use any toll facility without paymentof tolls, except employees of the agency operating the toll

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11 project when using the toll facility on official state business, 12 state military personnel while on official military business, 13 handicapped persons as provided in this section, persons exempt 14 from toll payment by the authorizing resolution for bonds issued to finance the facility, and persons exempt on a temporary basis 15 16 where use of such toll facility is required as a detour route. 17 Any law enforcement officer operating an a marked official 18 vehicle is exempt from toll payment when on official law 19 enforcement business. Any person operating a fire vehicle when 20 on official business or a rescue vehicle when on official 21 business is exempt from toll payment. Any person participating 22 in the funeral procession of a law enforcement officer or 23 firefighter killed in the line of duty is exempt from toll 24 payment. The secretary or the secretary's designee may suspend 25 the payment of tolls on a toll facility when necessary to assist 26 in emergency evacuation. The failure to pay a prescribed toll 27 constitutes a noncriminal traffic infraction, punishable as a 28 moving violation as provided in s. 318.18. The department may 29 adopt rules relating to the payment, collection, and enforcement 30 of tolls, as authorized in this chapter and chapters 316, 318, 31 320, and 322, including, but not limited to, rules for the 32 implementation of video or other image billing and variable 33 pricing. With respect to toll facilities managed by the 34 department, the revenues of which are not pledged to repayment 35 of bonds, the department may by rule allow the use of such 36 facilities by public transit vehicles or by vehicles 37 participating in a funeral procession for an active-duty 38 military service member without the payment of tolls. 39

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41	And the title is amended as follows:
42	Between lines 159 and 160
43	insert:
44	amending s. 338.155, F.S.; extending a current
45	exemption from payment of toll to law enforcement
46	officers operating unmarked official vehicles while on
47	official law enforcement business;