

**SUBSTITUTE FOR  
SENATE BILL NO. 517**

A bill to amend 1951 PA 51, entitled

"An act to provide for the classification of all public roads, streets, and highways in this state, and for the revision of that classification and for additions to and deletions from each classification; to set up and establish the Michigan transportation fund; to provide for the deposits in the Michigan transportation fund of specific taxes on motor vehicles and motor vehicle fuels; to provide for the allocation of funds from the Michigan transportation fund and the use and administration of the fund for transportation purposes; to promote safe and efficient travel for motor vehicle drivers, bicyclists, pedestrians, and other legal users of roads, streets, and highways; to set up and establish the truck safety fund; to provide for the allocation of funds from the truck safety fund and administration of the fund for truck safety purposes; to set up and establish the Michigan truck safety commission; to establish certain standards for road contracts for certain businesses; to provide for the continuing review of transportation needs within the state; to authorize the state



transportation commission, counties, cities, and villages to borrow money, issue bonds, and make pledges of funds for transportation purposes; to authorize counties to advance funds for the payment of deficiencies necessary for the payment of bonds issued under this act; to provide for the limitations, payment, retirement, and security of the bonds and pledges; to provide for appropriations and tax levies by counties and townships for county roads; to authorize contributions by townships for county roads; to provide for the establishment and administration of the state trunk line fund, local bridge fund, comprehensive transportation fund, and certain other funds; to provide for the deposits in the state trunk line fund, critical bridge fund, comprehensive transportation fund, and certain other funds of money raised by specific taxes and fees; to provide for definitions of public transportation functions and criteria; to define the purposes for which Michigan transportation funds may be allocated; to provide for Michigan transportation fund grants; to provide for review and approval of transportation programs; to provide for submission of annual legislative requests and reports; to provide for the establishment and functions of certain advisory entities; to provide for conditions for grants; to provide for the issuance of bonds and notes for transportation purposes; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state and local agencies and officials; to provide for the making of loans for transportation purposes by the state transportation department and for the receipt and repayment by local units and agencies of those loans from certain specified sources; and to repeal acts and parts of acts,"

(MCL 247.651 to 247.675) by amending the title, as amended by 2010 PA 135, and by adding section 10r.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:**

**1 TITLE**

**2** An act to provide for the classification of all public roads,  
**3** streets, and highways in this state, and for the revision of that  
**4** classification and for additions to and deletions from each  
**5** classification; to set up and establish the Michigan transportation  
**6** fund; to provide for the deposits in the Michigan transportation  
**7** fund of specific taxes on motor vehicles and motor vehicle fuels;  
**8** to provide for the allocation of funds from the Michigan



1 transportation fund and the use and administration of the fund for  
2 transportation purposes; to promote safe and efficient travel for  
3 motor vehicle drivers, bicyclists, pedestrians, and other legal  
4 users of roads, streets, and highways; to set up and establish the  
5 truck safety fund; to provide for the allocation of funds from the  
6 truck safety fund and administration of the fund for truck safety  
7 purposes; to set up and establish the Michigan truck safety  
8 commission; to establish certain standards for road contracts for  
9 certain businesses; to provide for the continuing review of  
10 transportation needs within the state; to authorize the state  
11 transportation commission, counties, cities, and villages to borrow  
12 money, issue bonds, and make pledges of funds for transportation  
13 purposes; to authorize counties to advance funds for the payment of  
14 deficiencies necessary for the payment of bonds issued under this  
15 act; to provide for the limitations, payment, retirement, and  
16 security of the bonds and pledges; to provide for appropriations  
17 and tax levies by counties and townships for county roads; to  
18 authorize contributions by townships for county roads; to provide  
19 for the establishment and administration of the state trunk line  
20 fund, local bridge fund, comprehensive transportation fund, and  
21 certain other funds; to provide for the deposits in the state trunk  
22 line fund, critical bridge fund, comprehensive transportation fund,  
23 and certain other funds of money raised by specific taxes and fees;  
24 to provide for definitions of public transportation functions and  
25 criteria; to define the purposes for which Michigan transportation  
26 funds may be allocated; to provide for Michigan transportation fund  
27 grants; to provide for review and approval of transportation  
28 programs; to provide for submission of annual legislative requests  
29 and reports; to provide for the establishment and functions of



1 certain advisory entities; to provide for conditions for grants; to  
 2 provide for the issuance of bonds and notes for transportation  
 3 purposes; to provide for the powers and duties of certain state and  
 4 local agencies and officials; to provide for the making of loans  
 5 for transportation purposes by the state transportation department  
 6 and for the receipt and repayment by local units and agencies of  
 7 those loans from certain specified sources; **to investigate and**  
 8 **study the tolling of roads, streets, highways, or bridges;** and to  
 9 repeal acts and parts of acts.

10 **Sec. 10r. (1) The department shall engage an outside**  
 11 **consulting firm to conduct a feasibility study and strategic**  
 12 **implementation plan on tolling highways of this state, including**  
 13 **revenue projections based on an analysis of optimal tolling rates,**  
 14 **vehicle counts and types by state of registration, and traffic**  
 15 **diversion.**

16 (2) The feasibility study described in subsection (1) must  
 17 consider all of the following:

18 (a) The economic impact and feasibility of tolling particular  
 19 highways of this state.

20 (b) The ability to provide discounts or credits or otherwise  
 21 lessen the impact of tolling on local, commuter, and in-state  
 22 operators.

23 (c) Information related to the number and impact of out-of-  
 24 state operators expected to use highways of this state.

25 (d) The rationale for the federal authorization of any tolling  
 26 plan that may be submitted by this state to the United States  
 27 Department of Transportation.

28 (e) The optimal levels at which tolls may reasonably be  
 29 expected to be set for passenger vehicles and other vehicles.



1 (f) Appropriate tolling rules regarding population center  
2 local traffic.

3 (g) This state's ability to enter into monetization agreements  
4 or long-term contracts for initial construction, long-term  
5 maintenance, installation, and operation of tolling facilities.

6 (h) Any estimates of which highway facilities would be  
7 conducive to tolling operations.

8 (i) Ways to maximize the use of Michigan workers and products  
9 made in this state.

10 (3) A written report on the feasibility study and strategic  
11 implementation plan shall be delivered not later than 18 months  
12 after the effective date of the amendatory act that added this  
13 section to the governor, the senate majority leader, the senate  
14 minority leader, the speaker of the house of representatives, the  
15 minority leader of the house of representatives, the chairpersons  
16 of the senate and house of representatives standing committees on  
17 transportation, and the senate and house of representatives  
18 appropriations subcommittees on transportation.

19 (4) It is the intent of the legislature that this state become  
20 qualified to apply to the United States Federal Highway  
21 Administration under the Interstate System Rehabilitation and  
22 Reconstruction Pilot Program, 23 USC 101 to 170, or any successor  
23 program that may be authorized in federal law.

