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**An Act To Repeal the Law Regulating Reflective and Tinted Glass
in Automobiles**

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R. B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative ESPLING of New Gloucester. (BY REQUEST)
Cosponsored by Senator BRAKEY of Androscoggin.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 23 MRSA §1973, sub-§3**, as amended by PL 1995, c. 65, Pt. A, §63 and
3 affected by §153 and Pt. C, §15, is further amended to read:

4 **3. Tolls.** Tolls, or the fixing of tolls, is not rulemaking and is not subject to
5 supervision or regulation by any state commission, board or agency. Subject to
6 subsection 4, the authority may fix and revise from time to time tolls for the use of the
7 turnpike and the different parts or sections of the turnpike, and charge and collect the
8 tolls, and contract with any person, partnership, association or corporation desiring the
9 use of any part of the turnpike, including the right-of-way adjoining the paved portion.
10 The tolls must be so fixed and adjusted as to provide a fund at least sufficient with other
11 revenues of the turnpike, if any, to pay for each fiscal year:

12 A. The cost of maintaining, repairing and operating the turnpike, and providing and
13 maintaining reasonable reserves for those costs;

14 B. The bonds and the interest on those bonds, and all sinking fund requirements,
15 and other requirements provided by the resolution authorizing issuance of the bonds
16 or by the trust indenture or loan or a security agreement as those bonds, interest,
17 sinking fund requirements and other requirements become due;

18 C. Those sums for the purpose of maintaining, constructing or reconstructing access
19 roads or portions of access roads that have been requested by the department and in
20 the sole discretion of the authority are from time to time determined to warrant the
21 expenditure of turnpike revenues; and

22 D. The cost of maintaining, constructing or reconstructing interchanges.

23 The authority may use any method for assessing and collecting tolls, including but not
24 limited to toll tickets, barrier toll facilities, billing accounts, commuter passes and
25 electronic recording or identification devices. The display of a recording or identification
26 device issued or authorized by the authority for these purposes on or near the windshield
27 of a motor vehicle is not a violation of a law or rule, including but not limited to Title
28 29-A, ~~sections 1916 and~~ section 2082, unless the device is attached in a way that
29 obstructs the driver's clear view of the highway or an intersecting highway.

30 **Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §1756, sub-§3**, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and
31 affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

32 **3. Windows.** In addition to the standards set forth in subsection 1, windows must
33 meet the standards of ~~sections~~ section 1915 ~~and 1916~~.

34 **Sec. 3. 29-A MRSA §1916**, as amended by PL 2009, c. 251, §§6 and 7, is
35 repealed.

36 **SUMMARY**

37 This bill repeals the law regulating the use of reflective and tinted glass windows in
38 automobiles.