

Regular Session, 2013

HOUSE BILL NO. 560

BY REPRESENTATIVE GIROD JACKSON AND SENATOR MORRELL

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

BRIDGES/FERRIES: Provides relative to uncollected tolls on the Crescent City Connection

1 AN ACT

2 To provide amnesty for persons alleged to have failed to pay tolls on the Crescent City  
3 Connection between January 1, 2013, to March 5, 2013.

4 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

5 Section 1. Legislative Findings. A. R.S. 47:7013(C), as enacted by Act No. 865 of  
6 the 2012 Regular Session of the Legislature, provides that "no motor vehicle shall be driven  
7 and no motor vehicle shall be towed through a toll collection facility on the Crescent City  
8 Connection without payment of the proper toll." R.S. 47:7013(C) further provides that "in  
9 the event of the nonpayment of the proper toll, as evidenced by video or electronic  
10 recording, the registered owner of such vehicle or trailer shall be liable to make prompt  
11 payment of the proper toll and, in certain circumstances, an administrative fee of twenty-five  
12 dollars to recover the cost of collecting the toll."

13 B. The Department of Transportation and Development ("department") mailed  
14 violation notices to registered motor vehicle owners alleged to be liable for nonpayment of  
15 tolls on the Crescent City Connection between January 1, 2013, and March 5, 2013.

16 Section 2. Any violation notice issued by the department for alleged nonpayment of  
17 tolls on the Crescent City Connection between January 1, 2013, and March 5, 2013, is  
18 hereby declared null and void. Amnesty is hereby granted to persons for failing to pay a toll  
19 on the Crescent City Connection between January 1, 2013, and March 5, 2013. Recipients  
20 shall disregard the notices and not send any funds to the department in response thereto.

1           Section 3. The department shall refund all tolls, charges, and fees paid by persons  
2 who received a notice of violation for the alleged nonpayment of tolls on the Crescent City  
3 Connection between January 1, 2013, and March 5, 2013.

4           Section 4. The department is hereby prohibited from mailing out further notices of  
5 violations to registered owners of motor vehicles for nonpayment of tolls on the Crescent  
6 City Connection between January 1, 2013, and March 5, 2013.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Provides for amnesty for persons alleged to have failed to pay the toll on the Crescent City Connection between January 1, 2013, and March 5, 2013.

Proposed law provides amnesty for persons alleged to have failed to pay the toll on the Crescent City Connection between January 1, 2013, and March 5, 2013.

Proposed law provides that any violation notice issued by the Department of Transportation and Development for alleged nonpayment of tolls on the Crescent City Connection between January 1, 2013, and March 5, 2013, is null and void.

Proposed law provides that the Department of Transportation and Development shall refund all tolls, charges, and fees paid by persons who received a notice of violation for the alleged nonpayment of tolls on the Crescent City Connection between January 1, 2013, and March 5, 2013.

Proposed law prohibits the Department of Transportation and Development from mailing out further notices of violations to registered owners of motor vehicles for nonpayment of tolls on the Crescent City Connection between January 1, 2013, and March 5, 2013.