

**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**REQUEST FOR INTERIM STUDY PROPOSAL**

DATE: May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2007

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S): Mark E. McCullough

TOPIC OF THE PROPOSAL:

Turnpikes

EXPLANATORY COMMENTS ON THE SCOPE OF THE STUDY PROPOSAL:

This would commission a study examining the feasibility of removing the tolls completely from I-44. It must include basic data like cars and trucks per day/year and an economic impact study that may demonstrate projections for increased revenues from projected increased use, for example increased sales taxes- not just a drop in toll revenue. The study should also include all available information from the turnpike authority about everything they have including how much cash reserves that they have, and the bidding process for who the contract are awarded. Most importantly, the study must also compare the toll revenue from all the individual turnpikes. This is crucial due to the cross-pledge situation. It needs to be determined to what extent the others could counter-balance the drop in tolls from I-44.

IF PRIVATE CITIZENS OR ORGANIZATIONS ARE TO BE NOTIFIED OF MEETING, LIST NAMES AND ADDRESSES:

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