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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HOUSE BILL

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, APRIL 27, 2015

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AN ACT

1 Repealing the act of January 14, 1951 (1952 P.L.2046, No.577),  
2 entitled "An act authorizing the Department of Highways to  
3 erect and maintain toll bridges over the Susquehanna River at  
4 certain points, and to provide the necessary approaches and  
5 connections with State highways; empowering counties to pay  
6 certain damages; providing for the collection of tolls; and  
7 making an appropriation."

8 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
9 hereby enacts as follows:

10 Section 1. The act of January 14, 1951 (P.L.2046, No.577),  
11 entitled "An act authorizing the Department of Highways to erect  
12 and maintain toll bridges over the Susquehanna River at certain  
13 points, and to provide the necessary approaches and connections  
14 with State highways; empowering counties to pay certain damages;  
15 providing for the collection of tolls; and making an  
16 appropriation," is repealed:

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18 Authorizing the Department of Highways to erect and maintain  
19 toll bridges over the Susquehanna River at certain points,

1 and to provide the necessary approaches and connections with  
2 State highways; empowering counties to pay certain damages;  
3 providing for the collection of tolls; and making an  
4 appropriation.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. The Department of Highways, with the approval of  
8 the Governor, is hereby authorized to erect and construct  
9 bridges over the Susquehanna River, at the hereafter described  
10 locations, to connect the State highways on both sides of said  
11 river, and to acquire the necessary land for approaches thereto.

12 (a) From a point in or near the borough of Millersburg, in  
13 Dauphin County, to a point on the opposite side of said river,  
14 in Perry County.

15 (b) From a point between Safe Harbor and Holtwood, in  
16 Lancaster County, to a point on the opposite side of said river,  
17 in York County.

18 Section 2. In the construction of said bridges and the  
19 approaches thereto and connections with existing State highways,  
20 the Department of Highways shall have all of the powers and  
21 authority conferred with respect to the relocation, widening or  
22 construction of State highways, including the exercise of the  
23 power of eminent domain. Any damages sustained by reason of  
24 taking property in the relocation, widening or construction of  
25 any such bridge, the approaches thereto and connections with  
26 State highways, shall be ascertained in accordance with laws  
27 applicable to the ascertainment of damages in relocating,  
28 widening or constructing State highways; and such damages, when  
29 ascertained, shall be paid by the Commonwealth or county or  
30 counties, as may be agreed upon, in accordance with the laws

1 relating to State highways.

2 The Department of Highways shall have authority to make and  
3 carry out and to do every other act necessary to carry out the  
4 projects herein authorized.

5 Section 3. After the completion of any such bridge and the  
6 approaches thereto, the Department of Highways shall provide for  
7 the collection of tolls until such tolls have been sufficient to  
8 reimburse the Motor License Fund for all costs, including the  
9 salaries of toll takers and maintenance and repair of such  
10 bridge during the period tolls are collected. As soon as the  
11 Motor License Fund has been reimbursed for all costs, any such  
12 bridge shall be freed from toll and shall become a part of the  
13 system of State highways, to be administered by the Department  
14 of Highways under the provisions of present or future laws  
15 governing State highways.

16 Section 4. So much of the money in the Motor License Fund,  
17 from time to time, as may be needed to carry out the provisions  
18 of this act, is hereby specifically appropriated to the  
19 Department of Highways for such purposes.

20 Section 5. The provisions of this act shall become effective  
21 immediately upon final enactment.]

22 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.