

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1092 Session of
2019

INTRODUCED BY GILLESPIE, PICKETT, JAMES, RYAN, NEILSON, MILLARD,
HICKERNELL AND SCHLEGEL CULVER, APRIL 8, 2019

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, APRIL 8, 2019

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 (1952 P.L.2046,
11 No.577), entitled "An act authorizing the Department of Highways
12 to erect and maintain toll bridges over the Susquehanna River at
13 certain points, and to provide the necessary approaches and
14 connections with State highways; empowering counties to pay
15 certain damages; providing for the collection of tolls; and
16 making an appropriation," is repealed: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,
20 and to provide the necessary approaches and connections with

1 State highways; empowering counties to pay certain damages;
2 providing for the collection of tolls; and making an
3 appropriation.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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