

SUMMARY OF NO. 17-09

The proposed law would eliminate the state Department of Transportation's authority to charge and collect tolls on all Massachusetts roads, highways, tunnels, and bridges, which are used to pay costs related to maintaining, repairing, improving, policing, using and operating Massachusetts roads, and to repay bonds issued to fund road and highway transportation projects.

The proposed law would continue to require the department to maintain the confidentiality of all individual account holder information collected by its electronic toll collection system. Such information would not be a public record and could be used only in connection with toll enforcement. Upon written request, account holders would be able to request access to their account information and, upon settlement of an account, request destruction of all individual account information.

The proposed law would take effect January 1, 2019.