

HB 1202 – AS INTRODUCED

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HOUSE BILL            **1202**

AN ACT                establishing a commission to study revenue alternatives to the road toll for the funding of the state’s highways and bridges.

SPONSORS:            Rep. Young, Ches 14; Rep. Ley, Ches 9; Rep. Almy, Graf 13; Rep. Davis, Merr 20; Rep. Spratt, Hills 4; Rep. Schamberg, Merr 4; Rep. Cloutier, Sull 10; Rep. F. Tilton, Belk 3; Rep. Hess, Merr 24; Rep. Major, Rock 14

COMMITTEE:          Public Works and Highways

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ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a commission to study revenue alternatives to the road toll for the funding of the state’s highways and bridges.

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Explanation:          Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.  
Matter removed from current law appears [~~in brackets and struck through~~]  
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

*In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Fourteen*

AN ACT                    establishing a commission to study revenue alternatives to the road toll for the funding of the state's highways and bridges.

*Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:*

1            1 New Subdivision; Commission to Study Revenue Alternatives to the Road Toll. Amend  
2 RSA 21-J by inserting after section 47 the following new subdivision:

3                                    Commission to Study Revenue Alternatives to the Road Toll

4            21-J:48 Commission to Study Revenue Alternatives to the Road Toll.

5            I. There is established a commission to study revenue alternatives to the road toll for the  
6 funding of the state's highways and bridges.

7            II.(a) The members of the commission shall be as follows:

8                                    (1) Three members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the  
9 house of representatives.

10                                    (2) Two members of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate.

11                                    (3) The commissioner of the department of revenue administration, or designee.

12                                    (4) The commissioner of the department of safety, or designee.

13                                    (5) The commissioner of the department of environmental services, or designee.

14                                    (6) The commissioner of the department of transportation, or designee.

15            (b) Legislative members of the commission shall receive mileage at the legislative rate  
16 when attending to the duties of the commission.

17            III. The commission shall study alternatives to the gas tax, through user taxes or fees, for  
18 funding improvements to the state's highways and bridges, ensuring that all motor vehicles  
19 contribute their fair share. The commission shall consider the interim report of the commission on  
20 the taxation of alternative fuel and electric-powered motor vehicles of November 1, 2012, track the  
21 programs developed in other states, and recommend legislation when an appropriate alternative is  
22 defined.

23            IV. The members of the commission shall elect a chairperson from among the members. The  
24 first meeting of the commission shall be called by the first-named house member. The first meeting  
25 of the commission shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this section. Three members of  
26 the commission shall constitute a quorum.

27            V. The commission shall submit annual reports of its findings and any proposed legislation  
28 to the speaker of the house of representatives, the president of the senate, the house clerk, the  
29 senate clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1 of each year.

30            2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.