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3 By Representative Gipson
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8 SYNOPSIS: Under existing law, the amount of the toll
9 for a private toll road or toll bridge is not
10 subject to regulation.

11 This bill would provide that the amount of
12 the toll charged by a private entity operating a
13 private toll road or toll bridge would be set by
14 the Department of Transportation.

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16 A BILL
17 TO BE ENTITLED
18 AN ACT

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20 Relating to toll rates charged by a private entity
21 licensed to operate a private toll road or toll bridge; to
22 provide that the amount of the toll charged by a private
23 entity operating a private toll road or toll bridge would be
24 set by the Department of Transportation.

25 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

26 Section 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law, the
27 amount of the toll charged by a private entity operating a

1 private toll road or toll bridge shall be subject to approval
2 by the State Department of Transportation. In determining the
3 amount of the toll, the department shall utilize the
4 methodologies of the Public Service Commission in regulating
5 utilities. In any determination by the department as to what
6 constitutes a fair rate of return, the department may give
7 consideration to the average rates of return allowed by the
8 Public Service Commission for utilities.

9 Section 2. This act shall become effective on the
10 first day of the third month following its passage and
11 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.