

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 493

Introduced by Assembly Member Daly

February 20, 2013

An act to amend Section 27565 of the Streets and Highways Code, relating to transportation.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 493, as introduced, Daly. Toll facilities.

Existing law requires the Department of Transportation, in cooperation with the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District and all known entities planning to implement a toll facility, to develop and adopt functional specifications and standards for an automatic vehicle identification system, as specified, and generally requires any automatic vehicle identification system purchased or installed after January 1, 1991, to comply with those specifications and standards. Existing federal law, pursuant to the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21), requires all toll facilities on federal-aid highways to implement technologies or business practices that provide for the interoperability of electronic toll collection programs no later than July 6, 2016.

This bill would authorize operators of toll facilities on federal-aid highways to fully implement technologies or business practices that provide for the interoperability of electronic toll collection programs on and after July 6, 2016.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares both of the
2 following:

3 (a) Subsection (b) of Section 1512 of the federal Moving Ahead
4 for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21; Public Law
5 112-141) requires all toll facilities on federal-aid highways to
6 implement technologies or business practices that provide for the
7 interoperability of electronic toll collection programs no later than
8 July 6, 2016.

9 (b) It is the intent of the Legislature to fully comply with federal
10 law with respect to electronic toll collection interoperability
11 requirements on federal-aid highways.

12 SEC. 2. Section 27565 of the Streets and Highways Code is
13 amended to read:

14 27565. (a) The department, in cooperation with the district
15 and all known entities planning to implement a toll facility in this
16 state, shall develop and adopt functional specifications and
17 standards for an automatic vehicle identification system, in
18 compliance with all of the following objectives:

19 (1) In order to be detected, the driver shall not be required to
20 reduce speed below the applicable speed for the type of facility
21 being used.

22 (2) The vehicle owner shall not be required to purchase or install
23 more than one device to use on all toll facilities, but may be
24 required to have a separate account or financial arrangement for
25 the use of these facilities.

26 (3) The facility operators shall have the ability to select from
27 different manufacturers and vendors. The specifications and
28 standards shall encourage multiple bidders, and shall not have the
29 effect of limiting the facility operators to choosing a system that
30 is able to be supplied by only one manufacturer or vendor.

31 (b) Except as provided in subdivision (c), any automatic vehicle
32 identification system purchased or installed after January 1, 1991,
33 shall comply with the specifications and standards adopted pursuant
34 to subdivision (a).

35 (c) Subdivision (b) does not apply to an interim automatic
36 vehicle identification system for which a contract is entered into
37 between an entity planning to implement a toll facility and the

1 supplier of the interim system prior to January 1, 1994, if both of
2 the following requirements are met:

3 (1) The department has made a written determination that the
4 installation and operation of the interim system will expedite the
5 completion of the toll facility and its opening to public use.

6 (2) The entity planning to implement the toll facility has entered
7 into an agreement with the department to install, within five years
8 after any portion of the toll facility is opened for public use, an
9 automatic vehicle identification system meeting the specifications
10 and standards adopted pursuant to subdivision (a).

11 (d) The automated vehicle identification system developed by
12 the department pursuant to subdivision (a) shall be capable of
13 identifying various types of vehicles, including, but not limited to,
14 commercial vehicles.

15 (e) *Notwithstanding anything in this section, or any other law*
16 *to the contrary, on and after July 6, 2016, operators of toll facilities*
17 *on federal-aid highways may fully implement technologies or*
18 *business practices that provide for the interoperability of electronic*
19 *toll collection programs consistent with federal law.*