

Dear Chairmen Sen. Leone and Rep. Lemar, Vice-Chairs Sen. Bergstein and Rep. Simms, Ranking Members Sen. Martin and Rep. Devlin, and Distinguished Members of the Transportation Committee,

Attached is my testimony in support of Tolls on Trucks - Bill LCO #373: "An Act Concerning the Sustainability of Connecticut's Transportation Infrastructure".

As a resident of Connecticut for over 40 years, I am in favor of tolls for trucks on Connecticut's highways.

Connecticut taxpayers are currently paying 100% of our transportation infrastructure costs. If tolls on trucks are instituted, Connecticut will receive \$180 million annually from tolls on trucks only-most of which will come from out of state trucks. All along the East coast, trucks pay tolls. Tolls will help repair the damage to our roads that trucks create. The revenue from tolls will go only to transportation infrastructure, as required by Federal law.

Cars will NOT be paying tolls- there is a bond covenant in the bill to assure this and the bill states expressly-NO tolls on cars! So I sincerely hope that you will consider tolls on trucks to help pay for our transportation infrastructure costs!

Sincerely,

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