

Emergency.

SEC. 8. This act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, the support of the state government and its existing public institutions, and shall take effect immediately.

Passed the House March 9, 1961.

Passed the Senate March 8, 1961.

Approved by the Governor March 17, 1961.

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CHAPTER 258.

[ H. B. 395. ]

TOLL FACILITIES AND FERRIES—CREDIT  
PERMITS FOR PASSAGE.

AN ACT relating to the toll bridge authority and authorizing the issuance of permits for the passage of vehicles on toll facilities on a credit basis.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:*

Issuance of permits for toll facilities on credit basis authorized.

SECTION 1. The toll bridge authority may issue permits for the passage of vehicles on any or all of its toll bridges, toll tunnels, toll roads or for the Washington state ferry system on a credit basis upon such terms and conditions as the authority shall deem proper.

Financial security may be required.

SEC. 2. The authority may require the holder of such a permit to furnish to and maintain in force with the authority a cash deposit or a corporate surety bond: *Provided*, That the authority may require the holder of such permit to increase the amount of cash bond, or to furnish an additional surety bond, or may reduce the amount of the cash bond or surety bond required, as the amount of charges incurred and regularity of payment warrant, or may revoke any permit granted for failure of the holder to comply with any of its terms.

SEC. 3. If any provision of this act, or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act, or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

Severability.

Passed the House February 26, 1961.

Passed the Senate March 8, 1961.

Approved by the Governor March 17, 1961.

CHAPTER 259.

[ H. B. 396. ]

TOLL FACILITIES—PROHIBITED ACTS.

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles and the operation thereof upon toll facilities; providing penalties for evasion of tolls and improper operation of a vehicle within toll areas; and declaring an emergency.

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:*

SECTION 1. Any person who operates a motor vehicle over a toll bridge, toll tunnel, toll road, or toll ferry, and the approaches thereto, operated by the state of Washington, the Washington toll bridge authority or any political subdivision or municipal corporation empowered to operate toll facilities, at the entrance to which appropriate signs have been erected to notify traffic that it is entering a toll facility or its approaches and is subject to the payment of tolls at the designated station for collecting tolls, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor if:

Violations by users of toll facilities enumerated—Misdemeanors.

- (a) he refuses to pay, evades, or attempts to evade the payment of such tolls, or who shall use or attempt to use any spurious or counterfeit tickets, coupons or tokens for payment of any such tolls, or
- (b) he turns, or attempts to turn, the vehicle around in the bridge, tunnel, loading terminal, approach or toll plaza where signs have been erected forbidding such turns, or