

STATE OF ILLINOIS
NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY
SENATE

Senate Joint Resolution No. 72
Offered by Senator Kathleen K. Parker

WHEREAS, The mission of the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority is to provide and promote a safe and efficient system of toll highways; and

WHEREAS, The Tollway, comprised of the Northwest, the Tri-State, the East-West, and the North-South Tollways, consists of 274 miles (1,650 lane miles), 539 bridge structures, 20 mainline plazas, and 47 ramp plazas; and

WHEREAS, The Toll Highway Authority reported a \$374,100,000 budget for 2002, consisting of revenue of \$353,900,000 from tolls, \$15,200,000 from interest income, and \$5,000,000 from concessions and other sources, and expenditures of \$180,200,000 for maintenance and operations, \$105,500,000 for renewal and replacement, \$79,700,000 for debt service, and \$8,700,000 for improvements; and

WHEREAS, Thousands of Illinois citizens travel the Tollway system on a daily basis and pay the tolls used to finance Tollway operations; and

WHEREAS, Given the impact of the Tollway on its users, as well as on the transportation needs of the State, it is important that the management and operation of the Tollway be reviewed to ensure that it is making efficient and economical use of its resources; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING HEREIN, that we respectfully direct the Illinois Auditor General to undertake a management audit of the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority to

determine whether the Toll Highway Authority is managing or using its resources, including toll and investment-generated revenue, personnel, property, equipment, and space, in an economical and efficient manner; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the audit shall make recommendations to correct any inefficiencies or uneconomical practices; and be it further

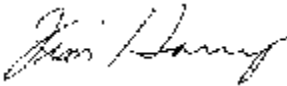
RESOLVED, That the audit shall, in addition, examine the process by which the Authority collects, transports, counts, and deposits toll collections; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Auditor General shall complete this audit within one year of the date of final passage of this resolution; and be it further

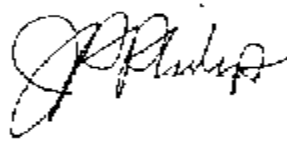
RESOLVED, That the Authority shall pay for the cost of this management audit; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be delivered to the Auditor General and the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority.

Adopted by the Senate, May 21, 2002.



Secretary of the Senate

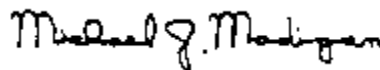


President of the Senate

Concurred in by the House of Representatives, June 2, 2002.



Clerk of House of Representatives



Speaker of House of Representatives