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Short Title: Freedom of Movement/Southwestern NC. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Bumgardner.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FREEDOM FROM TOLLS AND LIBERTY OF MOVEMENT FOR  
3 THE CITIZENS OF SOUTHWESTERN NORTH CAROLINA BY REMOVING THE  
4 AUTHORITY OF THE NORTH CAROLINA TURNPIKE AUTHORITY TO  
5 CONSTRUCT TOLL-SUPPORTED HIGHWAYS IN CERTAIN AREAS.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 136-89.183(a) reads as rewritten:

8 "(a) The Authority shall have all of the powers necessary to execute the provisions of  
9 this Article, including the following:

- 10 (1) The powers of a corporate body, including the power to sue and be sued, to  
11 make contracts, to adopt and use a common seal, and to alter the adopted  
12 seal as needed.
- 13 (2) To study, plan, develop, and undertake preliminary design work on up to  
14 eight Turnpike Projects. At the conclusion of these activities, the Turnpike  
15 Authority is authorized to design, establish, purchase, construct, operate, and  
16 maintain the following projects:
- 17 a. Triangle Expressway, including segments also known as N.C. 540,  
18 Triangle Parkway, Western Wake Freeway in Wake and Durham  
19 Counties, and Southeast Extension in Wake and Johnston Counties,  
20 except that no portion of the Southeast Extension shall be located  
21 north of an existing protected corridor established by the Department  
22 of Transportation circa 1995, except in the area of Interstate 40 East.
- 23 b. Gaston East-West Connector, also known as the Garden  
24 Parkway-Parkway, provided that the Authority shall not construct  
25 any project that would be located entirely or partially west of the  
26 Catawba River and south of the current route of the U.S. 74 highway.
- 27 c. Monroe Connector/Bypass.
- 28 d. Cape Fear Skyway.
- 29 e. A bridge of more than two miles in length going from the mainland  
30 to a peninsula bordering the State of Virginia, pursuant to  
31 G.S. 136-89.183A.

32 Any other project proposed by the Authority in addition to the projects listed  
33 in this subdivision must be approved by the General Assembly prior to  
34 construction.

35 A Turnpike Project selected for construction by the Turnpike Authority shall  
36 be included in any applicable locally adopted comprehensive transportation



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1 plans and shall be shown in the current State Transportation Improvement  
2 Plan prior to the letting of a contract for the Turnpike Project.

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4 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.