

**Written Comments Received for Toll Proposal Tallies
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Name	Location	Supports Toll Increase	Opposes Toll Increase	General Comments
Ken Rhodes	Auburn	x		Attended Manchester GACIT public hearings and submitted letter.
Ted Ristaino of Yankee Laundry Equipment Sales and Service	Barrington NH	x		To maintain infrastructure. Make sense as more than 50% out of state users. Been years since last toll increase. Gladly pay higher tolls for an improved travel experience.
Chris Richards	Bedford NH		x	This is NOT what New Hampshire needs right now.
Kenneth Peterson	Bedford NH	x		Only if 100% of funds are used for road and bridge improvements
Ryan Apac	Bedford NH		x	Impact on family. State should be able to maintain highways with the existing toll money. Wages have not increased. Question the necessary of the new projects being cited as justification for the hike.
Sam Phillips	Bedford NH	x		Our roads and bridges are in need of constant repair and maintenance. A raise in the gas tax is not the answer. Trucking industry will get tax back so raise in tolls won't hurt them.
Ryan Bedford	Bedford NH		x	No comment.
Gary Abbott- Associated General Contractors	Bow	x		Support, letter submitted and attended meetings and hearings.
Byron Stenbridge	Bristol NH		x	Paying enough for all the tollage in NH.
Concord City Manager Tom Aspell	Concord NH	x		Letter submitted.
Christopher Bean	Concord NH	x		Letter submitted and attended hearings in support.
Jeremy Littlefield	Concord NH		x	Impact on family. Pays \$2,300 in taxes just to drive to work. Because the State of NH diverts tax money that is intended for roads into other non-highway projects.
Nils Gonzalez	Concord NH	x		Uses roads all over the state. It will advance the 10-Year Plan, repair and maintain our infrastructure.
Pam Ean	Concord NH		x	Unnecessary. Enough to fund the system now. We are not in keeping with fiscal conservatism. Watching vote closely.
Japhet Stevens	Concord NH		x	Nobody supports it. Highways have enough funding already.
William G. Collis	Derry NH		x	Don't think roads and bridges need attention. Money will be spend on General Sullivan Bridge pedestrian and bicycle issues. Unnecessary. Expensive projects. Let the Legislature help NHDOT.
John Potucek	Derry NH		x	Highway programs already funded.
Christopher Parker	Dover NH	x		City of Dover- letter submitted. Attended Public Hearing in Portsmouth.
Chris Webb	Dover NH			Does not support funding for General Sullivan Bridge
Bruce Steinberg	Dover NH	x		Maintain infrastructure. People willing to pay if traffic issues eliminated. Eliminate toll booths they are traffic choke points. Save time for people.
Ronan O'Doherty	Dover NH			Newington Bridge toll booth location would collect more revenue than Dover toll booth. Need for EZ pass lanes or high speed tolling. Traffic diversion to secondary roads.
Nancy J. Lambert	Durham NH	x		Will improve infrastructure. Also support increase in gas tax.
Central NH RPC Technical Advisory Committee	Greater Concord Region	x		Unanimously approved a motion to support the Toll Increase proposal
Chamber Collaborative of Greater Portsmouth	Greater Portsmouth			No Position due to lack of consensus among 800 members. Also states that one member business supports the bill because the funds are specifically targeted to improve the highways that their fleet of vehicles travel almost 24 hours every day. They calculate that the estimated tens of thousands of dollars that the toll increase will cost the business annually will still be less than the maintenance and tire-rebalancing costs that they now pay due to poor road maintenance and repair.
Rob Smith	Hampton NH		x	Tolls unnecessary and won't likely go towards highways. Governor doesn't support it. Burden on families. The money is not needed.
Brian K. Mazerski	Henniker NH		x	Unfair to EZ Pass holders. Support a gas tax instead.
Donald Armstrong	Henniker NH			Suggest including other roads in the Turnpike system (other areas of I-93), make tolls more fair.
Al Legere	Hooksett NH			Concerns over inequity for users of turnpike on free sections. Why people traveling on I-93 don't pay tolls.
Denis Goddard	Hopkinton NH		x	Regressive tax. Affect low income people. Bad for business.

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Richard Waldron	Kensington NH
Philip Grow	Laconia NH
Chris Lopez	Manchester NH
Emmett Harris	Manchester NH
Brittany Ping	Manchester NH
Peter Towers	Manchester NH
Thomas Motyka	Manchester NH
Curt Howland	Manchester NH
Sean Brennan	Manchester NH
William C. Siroty	Manchester NH
Ryan Gaba	Manchester NH
Kara Garavito	Manchester NH
Shari Lucey	Merrimack NH
Tammy Simmons	Merrimack NH
Town of Merrimack, Eileen Cabanel	Merrimack NH
Roger Paxton	Milton NH
James Fuller	Mirror Lake NH
Peter Nelson	Newmarket NH
Elliott Axelman	NH Resident
Jennifer DeSanctis-Narby	NH Resident
Sarah Zuech	NH Resident
Patrick Binder	NH Resident
Paula Marzloff	NH Resident
Stembridge Family	NH Resident
Catrina Kurtz	NH Resident
Anna Nash	NH Resident
Haines Vebber	Not specified
Brendon Hoch	Plymouth NH
Kelly Harper	Portsmouth NH
Joan Walker	Portsmouth NH
Jeff Loring	Rochester NH
Cristy Cardoso	Seacoast NH
Cynthia Copeland	Strafford Regional Planning Commission

x	As a Libertarian, I oppose almost all government intervention in the daily lives of citizens. When traveling in NH, I take roads that avoid tolls. That means that when I travel to Maine, I take Routes 108 and 33 to get to Portsmouth. When I travel to I89 I go up Rt. 3A to Bow before continuing up I89. I take Rt 111 to go to Nashua. That being said, I strongly object to the use of road funds and gas taxes being used for ancillary spending such as the State Police.
x	Will be watching vote closely.
x	Tolls should be strictly used to support the turnpike infrastructure and, given that there seems to be adequate funding for that purpose, I see no reason for an increase. As a New Hampshire resident, voter, taxpayer, and EZ Pass user
x	Already funded 10-year highway plan and Turnpike System
x	Impact to family, cost. Unnecessary. Question if this ia an attempt to fund other unnamed pet projects. The highway plan was already funded in 2013.
x	Watch vote very closely
x	If the tolls and gas tax were used only for roads, as they are justified, there would be more than enough money to maintain them.
x	Business owner
x	Congestion on FEE Nashua-Manchester and Amoskeag Circle
x	Unnecessary. Impact working families. Ten year plan is sufficiently funded. Simply an attempt to increase revenues fo the Turnpike System and spend that money on other projects. Watchin this vote closely.
x	Cost to her family. Executive Councilors get free tolls. Wants roads safe and less congested. Don't want money spent on southwall or improvements on GSB for pedestrians and bicyclist. If you could guarantee that my commute would be easier and safer due to roadwork that would be completed with this toll money, I might be on board with the increase.
x	Find alternate ways to fund projects. Don't want to be like Illinois.
x	Letter of support submitted.
x	Will affect his business cost which will be passed on to his customers.
x	Also states there should be a toll booth on Route 3A. Handwritten letter.
x	Toll proposal does not fully address overall budget issues. Fairness issues. Need to look at funding alternatives. Doubt on what the turnpike funds can be used for.
x	Roads could all be repaired to perfection with the current toll revenue. The answer more than likely is to be more cost-efficient. I will be watching this vote closely.
x	Watching vote closely.
x	Ten Year Plan already funded. NH drivers paying more than enough to fund the Turnpike System.
x	He will be watching the vote closely.
.	Questions about the General Sullivan Bride relative to pedestrian and bridge.
x	Unnecessary and unfounded.
x	No reason for it. Have enough funding already.
x	Will watch vote closely.
x	No need to save General Sullivan Bridge, low quality experience and near an overwhelming thunderous overpass.
x	Issues about transponders and jurisdiction, lived in NH but has New Jersey transponder.
x	Requests discount for City of Portsmouth and Portsmouth School District employees
x	To improve infrastructure including bridges. For sound walls in Portsmouth. Attract businesses and tourist.
x	Inequity in toll rates around the State, for example one exit in Bedford only has one tolls.
x	Supports if targeted to sound walls in the Portsmouth Pannaway neighborhood.
x	Letter submitted. Also suggest discussion on "other" tolls and fair share.

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Minette McQueeney	Sunapee NH		x	Used to live in Merrimack and didn't get reduced tolls. The state does not exist to cater to bicyclists and out-of-staters. Other parts of state are forgotten. Lacks confidence in NHDOT.
Sandra Pierre	Weare NH		x	Ten Year Plan already funded. When tolls proposed years ago, once construction was done they were supposed to be eliminated. This is simply an attempt to increase revenues from the Turnpike System, and spend that money on other projects.
Martha Kaloogian	Weare NH			Suggest raising toll in gradual steps, and having a flexible toll system which captures the traffic more out-of-state travelers not commuters, for example have a higher toll rate northbound on Friday evening.
Maggie Andrews			x	Unnecessary and Governor doesn't support it
Ann Guinard			x	Fix highways (we raised money for the opioid crisis). Get Governor Sununu to pay attention to the needs of NH instead of Washington roundtables. People will use secondary roads. Highway barriers and rails ugly, used to have scenic highways. Other dangerous intersections to consider (Route 28, behind Liquor Store).
Arthur Lessard		x		Does not support funding for General Sullivan Bridge
Jalbert C&J Bus Lines				Support - letter submitted.
	Totals:	18	38	11
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Public Hearings

Portsmouth	17	14	2
Concord	8	8	1
Manchester	16	11	2
Totals:	41	33	5

Public & Written Testimony	59	71	16
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