

July 2, 2025

Senator Tom Umberg
California State Senate
Chair, Senate Judiciary Committee
State Capitol, Office #3240
Sacramento, CA 95814

SUBJECT: Assembly Bill 334 (Petrie-Norris) – Support as amended on June 30

Dear Chair Umberg,

On behalf of the South Orange County Economic Coalition, I write to express support for Assembly Bill (AB) 334 as amended on June 30. The bill would allow California toll operators to be nationally interoperable and allow drivers of toll facilities to use their home toll account when driving on out-of-state toll facilities.

On July 6, 2012, the federal Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21) was signed into law. MAP-21 included a provision that requires all tolling agencies throughout the U.S. to be nationally interoperable, which is the process of exchanging information across state lines to allow customers to utilize their home toll account when they drive on out-of-state toll facilities. However, due to current restrictions in state law (SHC § 27565), only certain tolling data can be shared with out-of-state toll operators, making full interoperability with other states not feasible.

AB 334 addresses this limitation by allowing toll facility operators to share only the data required for interstate interoperability without compromising the privacy and security of customers. Moreover, this bill reduces the transmission of drivers' personal identifiable information by utilizing existing electronic toll collection systems instead of mailed notices. This legislation would also enable a seamless, more efficient travel experience for drivers while improving operational efficiencies for toll operators. This bill will ensure that customers who use toll facilities across state lines can have their home toll account billed while reducing toll operators' time and effort spent on collecting toll violations.

We are proud to support AB 334, and we urge your support for this important legislation that will benefit toll customers, toll agencies, and California's transportation system.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Victoria Hernandez', with a stylized, cursive script.

Victoria Hernandez
South Orange County Economic Coalition