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The Alliance for Toll-Free Interstates (ATFI) is a broad-based organization united by the belief that a viable, sustainable solution to America's transportation needs must not include putting new tolls on existing interstates. Of all the transportation funding options available, tolling existing interstates is the worst.

While federal law generally prohibits tolls on existing Interstate highway lanes, two pilot programs create exceptions. ATFI desires to maintain the longstanding policy of protecting existing interstates from new tolls by eliminating the failed pilot programs that allow states to impose tolls on existing lanes:

The Interstate System Reconstruction and Rehabilitation Pilot Program, created in 1998, would allow tolls on three Interstate facilities to fund reconstruction or rehabilitation of those facilities. Currently, Missouri, Virginia and North Carolina hold these slots, but none are actively pursuing tolling authority.

The Value Pricing Pilot Program, established in 1991, allows up to 15 state or local governments to toll existing Interstates to reduce congestion by incentivizing drivers to use alternative transportation modes or avoid rush hour travel.

Tolls on existing, general purpose lanes have not been approved under either pilot program due to recognition of their negative effects and significant public opposition. In fact, states and FHWA have wasted considerable time and money developing and reviewing proposals only to have none move forward. These pilot programs should be eliminated, and no proposals to expand tolling authorization should move forward.

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