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LEGISLATIVE ACTION ALERT

PA SENATOR SABATINA INTRODUCES SB 1220



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MEMORANDUM

Posted: June 17, 2020 10:21 AM
From: [Senator John P. Sabatina, Jr.](#)
To: All Senate members
Subject: Reinstate Toll Collectors to the Pennsylvania Turnpike

In the near future, I will introduce legislation that would mandate the Pennsylvania Turnpike to keep their compliment of Toll Collectors through the remainder of the collective bargaining agreement date of October 2021.

This legislation would amend section 8107 of Title 74 Pa Consolidated Statutes by stating that the Turnpike must employ the same number or toll collectors with the same level of pay and benefits throughout the remainder of the bargaining agreement that was in place on June 1, 2020.

This legislation protects the 500 men and women who were dismissed under the pretense of protecting worker's health during the COVID-19 pandemic. A recent joint hearing between the Senate Transportation Committee and Labor & Industry Committee showed a systematic failure of the Commission to honor the current CBA. The Commission held a hastily cobbled vote to eliminate these positions without any transparency or valid justification.

Neighboring states of Ohio, New Jersey and New York have all brought back their toll collectors in recent weeks. PA is the only state saying it is 'unsafe to bring back human toll collectors.'

I would ask that at a time where our unemployment rolls are already at record numbers, and the Commonwealth is spending billions in UC claims, we reinstate these men and women who were promised employment even once the pandemic was underway.

Thank you for your consideration.

Introduced as [SB1220](#)

