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AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 1964 on page 16, immediately below line 5, by inserting the following:

"(605 ILCS 10/17) (from Ch. 121, par. 100-17)

Sec. 17. (a) The Authority may from time to time issue

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bonds for any lawful purpose including, without limitation, the costs of issuance thereof and all such bonds or other obligations of the Authority issued pursuant to this Act shall be and are hereby declared to be negotiable for all purposes notwithstanding their payment from a limited source and without regard to any other law or laws.

- (b) The bonds of every issue shall be payable solely out of revenues of the Authority, accumulated reserves or sinking funds, bond proceeds, proceeds of refunding bonds, or investment earnings as the Authority shall specify in a bond resolution.
- 17 (c) The bonds may be issued as serial bonds or as term bonds, or the Authority, in its discretion, may issue bonds of 18 19 both types. The bonds shall be authorized by a bond resolution 20 of the Authority, may be issued in one or more series and shall bear such date or dates, mature at such time or times not 21 22 exceeding 25 years from their respective date or dates of issue, bear interest at such rate or rates, fixed or variable, 23 without regard to any limit contained in any other statute or 24 law of the State of Illinois, be payable as to principal and 25

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interest at such time or times, be in such denominations, be in such form, either coupon or fully registered, carry such registration and conversion privileges, be payable in lawful money of the United States of America at such places, be subject to such terms of redemption and may contain such other terms and provisions, as such bond resolution or resolutions may provide. The bonds shall be executed by the manual or facsimile signatures of the Chairman and the Secretary. In case any of the officers whose signature appears on the bonds or coupons, if any, shall cease to be an officer before the delivery of such bonds, such signature shall nevertheless be valid and sufficient for all purposes, as if he had remained in office until such delivery. The bonds shall be sold pursuant to notice of sale and public bid. The Authority shall advertise the sale of the bonds in at least 2 daily newspapers, one of which is published in the City of Springfield and one in the City of Chicago. The sale of the bonds shall also be advertised in the volume of the Illinois Procurement Bulletin that is published by the Department of Central Management Services. Each of the advertisements shall be published once at least 10 days prior to the date fixed for the opening of bids. The Authority may reschedule the date of sale upon the giving of such additional notice as the Authority deems adequate to inform prospective bidders of the change; provided, however, that all conditions of the sale shall continue as originally advertised. The bonds shall be sold in such manner as the Authority shall determine. The proceeds from the sale of such bonds shall be paid to the Treasurer of the State of Illinois as ex officio custodian. Pending preparation of the definitive bonds, the Authority may issue interim receipts or certificates which shall be exchanged for such definitive bonds.

(d) Any bond resolution, or trust indenture entered into pursuant to a bond resolution, may contain provisions, which shall be a part of the contract with the holders of the bonds

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to be authorized, as to: (i) pledging or creating a lien upon all or part of the revenues of the Authority or any reserves, sinking funds, bond proceeds or investment earnings; (ii) the setting aside of reserves or sinking funds, and the regulation, investment and disposition thereof; (iii) the use and maintenance requirements for the toll highways; (iv) the purposes to which or the investments in which the proceeds of sale of any series or issue of bonds then or thereafter to be issued may be applied; (v) the issuance of additional bonds, the terms upon which additional bonds may be issued and secured, the purposes for such additional bonds, and the terms upon which additional bonds may rank on a parity with, or be subordinate or superior to other bonds; (vi) the refunding of outstanding bonds; (vii) the procedure, if any, by which the terms of any contract with bondholders may be amended or abrogated, the amount of bonds the holders of which must consent thereto, and the manner in which such consent may be given; (viii) defining the acts or omissions to act which shall constitute a default in the duties of the Authority to holders of its obligations and providing the rights and remedies of such holders in the event of a default; (ix) any other matters relating to the bonds which the Authority deems desirable.

- (e) Neither the directors of the Authority nor any person executing the bonds shall be liable personally on the bonds or be subject to any personal liability or accountability by reason of the issuance thereof.
- (f) The Authority shall have power out of any funds available therefor to purchase its bonds. The Authority may hold, pledge, cancel or resell such bonds subject to and in accordance with agreements with bondholders.
- (g) In the discretion of the Authority any bonds issued under the provisions of this Act may be secured by a trust indenture by and between the Authority and a trustee or trustees, which may be any trust company or bank in the State

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of Illinois having the powers of a trust company and possessing capital and surplus of not less than \$50,000,000. The bond resolution or trust indenture providing for the issuance of bonds so secured shall pledge such revenues of the Authority, sinking funds, bond proceeds, or investment earnings as may be specified therein, may contain such provisions for protecting and enforcing the rights and remedies of the bondholders as may be reasonable and proper and not in violation of law, including particularly such provisions have hereinabove as specifically authorized to be included in any bond resolution or trust indenture of the Authority, and may restrict the individual right of action by bondholders. In addition to the foregoing, any bond resolution or trust indenture may contain such other provisions as the Authority may deem reasonable and proper for the security of the bondholders, including, but not limited to, the purchase of bond insurance and the arrangement of letters of credit, lines of credit or other credit or liquidity enhancement facilities; provided there shall be no pledge of the toll highway or any part thereof. All expenses incurred in carrying out the provisions of any bond resolution or trust indenture may be treated as a part of the cost of the operation of the toll highways.

(h) Bonds issued under the authority of this Act do not, and shall state upon the face of each bond that they do not, represent or constitute a debt of the Authority or of the State of Illinois within the meaning of any constitutional or statutory limitation or a pledge of the faith and credit of the Authority or the State of Illinois, or grant to the owners or holders thereof any right to have the Authority or the General Assembly levy any taxes or appropriate any funds for the payment of the principal thereof or interest thereon. Such bonds shall be payable and shall state that they are payable solely from the revenues and the sources authorized under this Act and pledged for their payment in accordance with the bond

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1 resolution or trust indenture.

> Nothing in this Act shall be construed to authorize the Authority or any department, board, commission or other agency to create an obligation of the State of Illinois within the meaning of the Constitution or Statutes of Illinois.

> (i) Any resolution or trust indenture authorizing the issuance of the bonds may include provision for the issuance of additional bonds. All resolutions of the Authority to carry such adopted bond resolutions into effect, to provide for the sale and delivery of the bonds, for letting of contracts for the construction of toll highways and the acquisition of real and personal property deemed by the Authority necessary or convenient for the construction thereof, shall not require the approval of the Governor or of any other department, division, commission, bureau, board or other agency of the State.

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