



# SENATE BILL 188: Adjust Cap on Turnpike Projects

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**SUMMARY:** *Senate Bill 188 removes the cap on the number of turnpike projects the Turnpike Authority may study; increases to 11 the number of projects the Turnpike Authority may establish, construct or operate; and redefines the segments of the Triangle Expressway as one project.*

**CURRENT LAW:** Current law, G.S. 136-89.183, authorizes the Turnpike Authority to:

- Study, plan, develop, and do preliminary design work on up to nine projects.
- Design, establish, purchase, construct, operate and maintain up nine projects, including the Triangle Expressway segments (counted as three projects), and the Monroe Connector/Bypass.

**BILL ANALYSIS:** Senate Bill 188 amends the Turnpike Authority statute to authorize the Authority to:

- Study, plan, develop, and preliminarily design projects, with no cap.
- Design, establish, purchase, construct, operate and maintain up to eleven projects, including the Triangle Expressway segments (now counted as one project), and the Monroe Connector/Bypass.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This act is effective when it becomes law.

