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A Bill

SENATE BILL 207

5 By: Senator J. Hutchinson
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For An Act To Be Entitled

8 AN ACT TO AMEND THE REGIONAL AIRPORT ACT; AND FOR
9 OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

10 TO AMEND THE REGIONAL AIRPORT ACT.
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13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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16 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 14-362-109(19), concerning the powers of a
17 regional airport authority, is amended to read as follows:

18 (19)(A)(i) To fix, revise, charge, and collect tolls, access
19 fees, ground transportation fees, or other fees for vehicular use of any
20 roads or other facilities owned by or providing service to the airport and to
21 contract with any person, partnership, association, corporation, or
22 organization desiring the use of any part of those roads, including the
23 right-of-way adjoining the paved portion for placing their own telephone,
24 telegraph, electric, light, or power lines, motor fuel service stations,
25 garages, restaurants, and other facilities or for any other purpose, and to
26 fix the terms, conditions, rents, and rates of charges for that use.
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28 (ii) However, public utilities, rural cooperatives,
29 political subdivisions, and pipeline companies may construct and maintain
30 crossings of roads with their facilities, without charge, if the facilities
31 are constructed and maintained in compliance with reasonable requirements of
32 public safety and all costs of restoring the project to as good a condition
33 as it was before being disturbed are paid by the owners of the facilities.
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35 (B)(i) The tolls and fees may be charged and collected
36 from vehicles accessing or departing from the airport, and the authority is



1 empowered to make reasonable tolls and fees in accordance with industry
2 standards and to make reasonable classifications of vehicles for this
3 purpose.

4 (ii)(a) The tolls or fees levied for use of airport
5 roads by private off-facility parking services at an airport located in a
6 county with a population of at least three hundred sixty thousand (360,000)
7 and in a city with a population of at least one hundred seventy-five thousand
8 (175,000) according to the most recent federal decennial census and located
9 adjacent to a navigable river shall not exceed the local sales tax rate of
10 the municipality in which the airport is located.

11 (b) Private off-facility parking services
12 shall have full access to drop off and pick up airport passengers and the
13 same queing access as all commercial shuttles, limos, taxi cabs, and airport-
14 owned vans or buses.

15 (C) The For an airport located in a county with a
16 population of at least three hundred sixty thousand (360,000) and in a city
17 with a population of at least one hundred seventy-five thousand (175,000)
18 according to the most recent federal decennial census and located adjacent to
19 a navigable river, tolls and fees fixed by the authority shall not be subject
20 to supervision or regulation by any other commission, board, bureau, or
21 agency of the State of Arkansas;

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