Senate Bill 603

By: Senators Cagle of the 49th, Thompson of the 33rd and Bowen of the 13th

**AS PASSED**

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

To amend Article 2 of Chapter 10 of Title 32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the State Road and Tollway Authority, so as to prohibit technology used by the State Road and Tollway Authority from producing a recorded image of a person in a motor vehicle; to provide for exceptions; to amend Code Section 40-14-21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to use of traffic-control signal monitoring devices, so as to prohibit a traffic-control device from producing a recorded image of a person in a motor vehicle; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

**SECTION 1.**

Article 2 of Chapter 10 of Title 32 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to the State Road and Tollway Authority, is amended in Code Section 32-10-64, relating to general toll powers, police powers, and rules and regulations, by striking subsection (h) of said Code section and inserting in its place the following:

"(h) The authority may in its discretion use such technology, including but not limited to automatic vehicle license tag identification photography and video surveillance, either by electronic imaging or photographic copy, that it deems necessary to aid in the collection of tolls and enforcement of toll violations. Such technology shall not be used to produce any photograph, microphotograph, electronic image, or videotape showing the identity of any person in a motor vehicle except that such technology may be utilized for general surveillance of a toll collection facility for the security of toll collection facility employees."

**SECTION 2.**

Code Section 40-14-21 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to use of traffic-control signal monitoring devices, is amended by adding a new subsection (e) to read as follows:

″(e) A traffic-control signal monitoring device shall not be used to produce any photograph, microphotograph, electronic image, or videotape showing the identity of any person in a motor vehicle.″

**SECTION 3.**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.