

SENATE BILL NO. 407

BY SENATORS DONAHUE AND SCALISE AND REPRESENTATIVES SCHRODER
AND PEARSON

1 AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 48:942 and to repeal R.S. 48:492 as enacted by Act No. 313 which originated
3 as House Bill No. 1081 of the 2008 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to
4 public bridges; to prohibit certain contracts with regard to certain bridges without
5 legislative approval; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. R.S. 48:942 is hereby enacted to read as follows:

8 **§942. Contracts relating to bridges**

9 **A. Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, no state agency,**
10 **political subdivision of the state nor any board or commission created pursuant**
11 **to a local services agreement, without prior approval by the legislature, shall**
12 **enter into any contract which would have the effect of any of the following with**
13 **respect to any bridge in the state which is greater than five miles in length:**

14 **(1) Providing for the sale, lease as lessor, transfer, or conveyance of title**
15 **or any interest in such a bridge.**

16 **(2) Providing for the transfer of any responsibility for the management,**
17 **control, or operation of the bridge to any other entity, public or private.**

18 **B. The provisions of this Section shall not prohibit a public works**
19 **contract for repair, expansion, maintenance, cleaning, or any other work**
20 **relating to the physical structure of the bridge and appurtenances nor any**
21 **contracts for the collection of public tolls for a state agency or political**
22 **subdivision or services related to such toll collection.**

1 Section 2. R.S. 48:492 as enacted by Act No. 313 which originated as House Bill
2 No. 1081 of the 2008 Regular Session of the Legislature is hereby repealed in its entirety.

PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

APPROVED: _____