

New Procedures for Motorcycles and Carpoolers

The House Transportation and Energy Committee voted no on Senate Bill 16-123 (SB 123) on April 21. The discussion, however, prompted new changes in the pass procedures for HOV Express Lanes, which include the following:

- Motorcycles will no longer be required to have a pass to use CDOT's High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Express Lanes for free.*
- The High Performance Transportation Enterprise (HPTE) and CDOT will offer the Switchable HOV Transponder pass for free to drivers who are planning to carpool only in CDOT's HOV Express Lanes.**
- Drivers who have already purchased a Switchable HOV Transponder and have only used it in carpool mode will be given a refund.**

CDOT and HPTE are working on a timeline for the implementation of these changes. More information coming soon!

**Express or Toll lanes that do not allow HOV vehicles for free (E-470, Northwest Parkway, I-70 Mountain Express Lane) will still require a payment and/or a pass in order to avoid higher license plate charges.*

***If drivers choose this option and use the transponder in "toll" mode on HOV Express Lanes or on E-470, Northwest Parkway or the I-70 Mountain Express Lane, a credit card on file will be charged for the cost of the transponder and to open an account.*