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### Missouri Governor Asks for Analysis of Tolls for I-70

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. (AP) - Missouri Gov. Jay Nixon is asking state highway officials to analyze the potential of turning Interstate 70 into a toll road.

Nixon sent a letter Tuesday to the transportation commission requesting a report by the end of December on options for using tolls to improve and expand I-70.

Highway officials have said the interstate between suburban St. Louis and suburban Kansas City is in need of a complete makeover and have talked for years about widening it to three lanes in each direction.

Voters in August defeated a proposed sales tax that would have funded the I-70 project and numerous others.

The transportation department suggested several years ago that I-70 could be rebuilt by a private company that could collect tolls. But that measure failed to pass the Legislature.

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