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Senator Gobi sponsors Transponder Sign Up

MONSON - Senator Anne Gobi (D-Spencer), in coordination with MassDOT and Monson Senior Center Director Lori Stacy, will bring the E-Z Pass Van to the Monson Senior Center, 106 Main Street, on Wednesday, September 28, 2016 from 10:00 am-2:00 pm. The free transponders will be distributed to drivers for use on the Massachusetts Turnpike.

MassDOT is currently in the process of transitioning to All Electronic Tolling (AET) for I-90 in both directions. A previously scheduled "go live" date in the month of October is set to occur.

AET gantries, placed over the road and equipped with sensors, will electronically register tolls from vehicles that pass under any gantry. Drivers will no longer have to stop at a toll plaza and will be able to maintain a safe highway speed.

If a vehicle has an E-Z Pass transponder, the toll is automatically charged to the E-Z Pass account that the customer's transponder is registered to.

If a vehicle does not have an E-Z Pass transponder, cameras mounted on the gantry will capture a photograph of the vehicle's license plate and the registered owner of the vehicle will be sent an invoice. Pay-by-Plate users will pay a surcharge. EZ-Pass users pay the normal toll.

Drivers who currently have no E-Z Pass transponder are encouraged to obtain one. Applicants must bring vehicle registration, \$20 credit card or check only (no cash please) to open an E-Z Pass account, and photo identification to obtain a transponder. The transponders are issued free and the \$20 account will be used to pay charges for Massachusetts Turnpike.

For further information, contact Senator Gobi's office at 617-722-1540.

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