

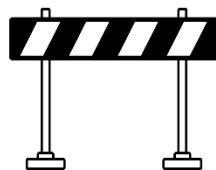
States across the nation push new laws related to protests

While proponents say the laws intend to protect the police and roadways, critics argue they are an attempt to intimidate protesters



Limits to motorists' liability

- Tennessee and Florida have introduced legislation removing civil liability for motorists who unintentionally hit protesters



Increased fines for roadblocks

- Iowa and Mississippi have bills that make blocking highways a felony punishable by prison and high fines
- Multiple states have introduced legislation raising fines for blocking public roads



Charging protesters for costs

- Minnesota bill would allow cities to sue law-violating protesters for cost of policing
- A Washington bill would charge protesters for triple the amount of economic activity disrupted