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MIAMI -- The state's much-maligned express lanes experiment on Interstate 95 in Miami-Dade County is set to begin.

The toll lanes replacing the existing car pool lanes on a seven-mile stretch of I-95 entering and leaving downtown Miami will begin charging drivers Friday at 6 a.m. The fee for using the lanes will fluctuate from 25 cents to \$6.20 based on traffic volume.

Already, the route has been criticized for causing a series of accidents as motorists unaware of the changes used the lanes before the state began charging vehicles. The move to toll lanes instead of car pool lanes also has been criticized as catering to wealthy drivers.

Registered hybrid vehicles, three-plus car pools and all buses and motorcycles can use the lanes for free.