

AN ACT

relating to the ability of a local authority to designate school crossing zones and school crosswalks at high school campuses located in certain municipalities.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 542.203, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Subsections (d) and (e) to read as follows:

(d) A local authority's standards, policies, orders, ordinances, regulations, or other measures that designate a school crossing zone or school crosswalk must include a high school campus that is located in a municipality with a population of two million or more.

(e) On request of an administrator of a high school campus described by Subsection (d), a local authority shall determine the components, including any engineering report, necessary to designate a school crossing zone or school crosswalk at the campus and shall make the designation. This subsection does not apply to a high school campus undergoing major expansion or new construction that requires the preparation of a traffic impact analysis as part of the permitting process.

SECTION 2. Not later than September 1, 2023, a local authority described by Section 542.203(d), Transportation Code, as added by this Act, shall:

(1) update all applicable school zone standards,

1 policies, orders, ordinances, and regulations to comply with that  
2 section; and

3           (2) post the updates described by Subdivision (1) of  
4 this section on a publicly accessible Internet website with clear  
5 instructions describing the process by which a designation request  
6 may be made under Section [542.203\(e\)](#), Transportation Code, as added  
7 by this Act.

8           SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1263 was passed by the House on April 13, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 141, Nays 7, 2 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1263 on May 19, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 138, Nays 4, 2 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1263 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 16, 2023, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor