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H.B. No. 1624

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the authority of a local authority to install a temporary traffic-control device on certain highways.

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

SECTION 1. Section 544.002, Transportation Code, is amended by amending Subsection (c) and adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

(c) A local authority may not place or maintain a traffic-control device on a highway under the jurisdiction of the Texas Department of Transportation without that department's permission, except as authorized under Subsection (d) and Section 545.3561.

(d) A local authority may place and maintain a temporary traffic-control device on a highway under the jurisdiction of the Texas Department of Transportation without the department's permission if:

(1) an existing traffic-control device on the highway becomes inoperable;

(2) the local authority notifies the department of the placement of the temporary traffic-control device; and

(3) the local authority removes the temporary traffic-control device as soon as practicable after the existing traffic-control device becomes operable again.

SECTION 2. Section 553.002(d), Transportation Code, is

1 amended to read as follows:

2 (d) This section does not apply to:

3 (1) an ordinance enacted or a temporary speed limit
4 sign erected or operated under Section 545.3561; or

5 (2) an ordinance enacted or a temporary
6 traffic-control device placed or maintained under Section
7 544.002(d).

8 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.