

By: Lopez of Cameron

H.B. No. 5218

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the route designation for the issuance of a permit for the movement of oversize and overweight vehicles that serve a deepwater seaport on the U.S.-Mexico Border.

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

SECTION 1. Section 623.219(a), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) For a permit issued by a port authority located in a county that borders the United Mexican States, the commission shall, with the consent of the port authority, designate the most direct route ~~[from]~~:

(1) between the Gateway International Bridge or the Veterans International Bridge at Los Tomates to the entrance of the Port of Brownsville using State Highways 48 and 4 or United States Highways 77 and 83 or using United States Highway 77 and United States Highway 83, East Loop Corridor, and State Highway 4; and

(2) between the Free Trade International Bridge and ~~[to]~~:

(A) the entrance of the Port of Brownsville using Farm-to-Market Road 509, United States Highways 77 and 83, Farm-to-Market Road 511, State Highway 550, and East Loop (State Highway 32)

SECTION 2. This bill is applicable only to the designated routes for the Port of Brownsville.

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