

1-1 By: Ogden S.B. No. 53  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed July 14, 2003; July 14, 2003, read  
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Infrastructure Development  
1-4 and Security; July 16, 2003, reported favorably by the following  
1-5 vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; July 16, 2003, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the financing and development of the Trans-Texas  
1-9 Corridor.

1-10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-11 SECTION 1. Subsection (a), Section 227.014, Transportation  
1-12 Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-13 (a) If the commission determines that the mobility needs of  
1-14 this state would be most efficiently and economically met by  
1-15 jointly operating two or more facilities as one operational and  
1-16 financial enterprise, it may create a system composed of those  
1-17 facilities. The commission may create more than one system and may  
1-18 combine two or more systems into one system. The commission may  
1-19 finance, construct, and operate ~~[an]~~ additional facilities  
1-20 ~~[facility]~~ as an expansion of a system if the commission determines  
1-21 that the facilities ~~[facility]~~ would most efficiently and  
1-22 economically be constructed and operated if ~~[it were a]~~ part of the  
1-23 system and that the addition will benefit the system. A system may  
1-24 only include facilities included in a comprehensive transportation  
1-25 corridor developed under a comprehensive development agreement, or  
1-26 facilities located wholly or partly within the territory of ~~[a]~~

1-27 ~~[(1)]~~ a metropolitan planning organization ~~[a]~~ or  
1-28 ~~[(2)]~~ two adjacent department districts. This section  
1-29 does not prohibit the department from creating a system that  
1-30 includes a facility that will extend continuously through the  
1-31 territory of two or more metropolitan planning organizations or  
1-32 more than two adjacent department districts.

1-33 SECTION 2. Subsection (c), Section 227.023, Transportation  
1-34 Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-35 (c) To the extent and in the manner that the department may  
1-36 enter into comprehensive development agreements under Chapter 361  
1-37 with regard to turnpikes, the department may enter into a  
1-38 comprehensive development agreement ~~[agreements]~~ under this  
1-39 chapter that provides for the financing, development, design,  
1-40 construction, or operation of a facility or a combination of ~~[with~~  
1-41 ~~regard to]~~ facilities on the Trans-Texas Corridor. All provisions  
1-42 of Chapter 361 relating to comprehensive development agreements for  
1-43 turnpikes apply to comprehensive development agreements for  
1-44 facilities under this chapter, including provisions relating to the  
1-45 confidentiality of information. Claims arising under a  
1-46 comprehensive development agreement are subject to Section  
1-47 201.112.

1-48 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-49 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-50 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-51 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-52 Act takes effect November 1, 2003.

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