## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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## **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

Currently, numerous Texas cities restrict or prohibit the construction of billboards. However, municipal restrictions do not apply in rural and unincorporated areas. Chapter 391.252(a), Transportation Code, bans new billboards on certain sections of highways. H.B. 678 amends Chapter 391.252(a) to add parts of four additional highways to the current list.

## **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

## **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 391.252(a), Transportation Code, to prohibit a person from erecting an off-premise sign that is adjacent to and visible from certain highways. Deletes text regarding the effective date of this Subchapter.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2003.