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H.B. No. 1417

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to requiring a state agency to notify a member of the legislature about certain expenditures that will affect the member's district.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 306, Government Code, is amended by adding Section 306.008 to read as follows:

Sec. 306.008. REQUIREMENT TO INFORM LEGISLATOR ABOUT CERTAIN EXPENDITURES AFFECTING LEGISLATOR'S DISTRICT. A state agency in the executive branch of state government shall promptly inform a member of the legislature of the agency's decision to:

(1) build, expand, or substantially repair a road, a bridge, or other infrastructure located in the member's district;

(2) build, expand, renovate, or substantially repair a building or other facility in the member's district;

(3) purchase an item of capital equipment that will be permanently or regularly located in the member's district; or

(4) award a grant or contract, other than a statewide grant or contract, under which the entity to which the grant or contract is awarded will implement one of the agency's programs:

(A) in the member's district; or

(B) in the member's district and in one or more adjacent districts.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

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1 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
3 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
4 Act takes effect September 1, 2003.