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H.B. No. 2974

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to a Texas-Mexico border trade corridor plan.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter H, Chapter 201, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 201.6011 to read as follows:

Sec. 201.6011. TEXAS-MEXICO BORDER TRADE CORRIDOR PLAN.

The department shall implement an integrated trade transportation corridor plan for cross-border traffic. The plan must:

(1) include strategies and projects to aid the exchange of international trade using the system of multiple transportation modes in this state; and

(2) assign priorities based on the amount of international trade, measured by weight and value, using the transportation systems of this state, including:

(A) border ports of entry;

(B) commercial ports;

(C) inland ports;

(D) highways;

(E) pipelines;

(F) railroads; and

(G) deepwater gulf ports.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2003.