

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S/SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

H.B. 2650 allows a local government to enter into an agreement with Texas Department of Transportation, a regional mobility authority, or a private entity to assist in the financing of the construction, maintenance, and operations of a turnpike project located in the government's jurisdiction. In return for that financial assistance, the local government may receive a percentage of the turnpike project revenues.

A local government may use any revenue available for road purposes to provide financing of the project.

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 Subchapter I, Chapter 361, Transportation Code, by adding Section 361.308, as follows:

Sec. 361.308. AGREEMENTS WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENTS. (a) Defines "local government."

(b) Authorizes a local government to enter into an agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) or a private entity under which the local government assists in the financing of the construction, maintenance, and operation of a turnpike project located in the government's jurisdiction in return for a percentage of the revenue from the project.

(c) Authorizes a local government to use any revenue available for road purposes, including bond and tax proceeds, to provide financing under Subsection (b).

(d) Requires an agreement under this section between a local government and a private entity to be approved by TxDOT.

(e) Requires revenue received by a local government under an agreement under this section to be used for transportation.

SECTION 2. Amends Subchapter G, Chapter 370, Transportation Code, by adding Section 370.317, as follows:

Sec. 370.317. AGREEMENTS WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENTS. (a) Defines "local government."

(b) Authorizes a local government to enter into an agreement with an authority or a private entity under which the local government assists in the financing of the construction, maintenance, and operation of a turnpike project located in the government's jurisdiction in return for a percentage of the revenue from the project.

(c) Authorizes a local government to use any revenue available for road purposes, including bond and tax proceeds, to provide financing under subsection (b).

(d) Requires an agreement under this section between a local government and a private entity to be approved by TxDOT.

(e) Requires the revenue received by a local government under an agreement under this section to be used for transportation purposes.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2005.