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S.B. No. 137

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the adoption of a state scenic byways program.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter I, Chapter 391, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 391.256 to read as follows:

Sec. 391.256. SCENIC BYWAYS PROGRAM. (a) The department shall plan, design, and establish a program for designating highways as State Scenic Byways.

(b) The department shall:

(1) develop grant projects in accordance with 23 U.S.C. Section 162 for highways designated as State Scenic Byways, National Scenic Byways or All-American Roads; and

(2) apply for funding under 23 U.S.C. Section 162 for the grant projects.

(c) The department may prohibit outdoor advertising according to 23 U.S.C. Section 131(s).

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2005.