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1-7 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 183 By: Lucio

1-8 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-9 AN ACT

1-10 relating to the appointment, operation, and recommendations of the
1-11 Border Trade Advisory Committee.

1-12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-13 SECTION 1. Section 201.114, Transportation Code, is amended
1-14 to read as follows:

1-15 Sec. 201.114. BORDER TRADE ADVISORY COMMITTEE. (a) In
1-16 this section, "coordinator" means the border commerce coordinator
1-17 designated under Section 772.010, Government Code.

1-18 (b) The coordinator shall serve on the Border Trade Advisory
1-19 Committee as presiding officer. The commission shall appoint the
1-20 other members of the committee, which to the extent practicable
1-21 must include:

1-22 (1) the presiding officers, or persons designated by
1-23 the presiding officers, of the policy boards of metropolitan
1-24 planning organizations located adjacent to the border with the
1-25 United Mexican States and wholly or partly in the department's
1-26 Pharr, Laredo, or El Paso transportation district;

1-27 (2) the person serving, or a person designated by the
1-28 person serving, in the capacity of executive director of each
1-29 entity governing a port of entry in this state; and

1-30 (3) a representative each from at least two institutes
1-31 or centers operated by a university in this state that conduct
1-32 continuing research on transportation or trade issues.

1-33 (c) The commission shall establish the Border Trade
1-34 Advisory Committee to define and develop a strategy and make
1-35 recommendations to the commission and governor for addressing the
1-36 highest priority border trade transportation challenges. In
1-37 determining action to be taken on the recommendations, the
1-38 commission shall consider the importance of trade with the United
1-39 Mexican States, potential sources of infrastructure funding at
1-40 border ports, and the value of trade activity in the department's
1-41 districts adjacent to the border with the United Mexican States.

1-42 (d) [~~b~~] The commission may adopt rules governing the
1-43 Border Trade Advisory Committee.

1-44 (e) Chapter 2110, Government Code, does not apply to the
1-45 size, composition, or duration of the Border Trade Advisory
1-46 Committee.

1-47 SECTION 2. Section 201.6011, Transportation Code, is
1-48 amended to read as follows:

1-49 Sec. 201.6011. INTERNATIONAL TRADE CORRIDOR PLAN. (a) To
1-50 the extent possible, the department shall coordinate with
1-51 appropriate entities to develop an integrated international trade
1-52 corridor plan. The plan must:

1-53 (1) include strategies and projects to aid the
1-54 exchange of international trade using the system of multiple
1-55 transportation modes in this state; ~~and~~

1-56 (2) assign priorities based on the amount of
1-57 international trade, measured by weight and value, using the
1-58 transportation systems of this state, including:

- 1-59 (A) border ports of entry;
- 1-60 (B) commercial ports;
- 1-61 (C) inland ports;
- 1-62 (D) highways;
- 1-63 (E) pipelines;

2-1 (F) railroads; and

2-2 (G) deepwater gulf ports; and

2-3 (3) address implementation of the recommendations of
2-4 the Border Trade Advisory Committee under Section 201.114.

2-5 (b) The department shall update the plan biennially and
2-6 report on the implementation of this section to the presiding
2-7 officer of each house of the legislature no later than December 1 of
2-8 each even-numbered year~~[, 2004]~~.

2-9 SECTION 3. The term of a member serving on the Border Trade
2-10 Advisory Committee immediately preceding the effective date of this
2-11 Act expires on that date. The member may be reappointed to the
2-12 committee.

2-13 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2-14 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
2-15 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
2-16 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
2-17 Act takes effect September 1, 2005.

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