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S.B. No. 1699

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the acquisition of real property interests for  
3 transportation projects by the Texas Transportation Commission.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 202.112, Transportation Code, is amended  
6 by amending Subsection (a) and adding Subsection (d) to read as  
7 follows:

8 (a) The commission may purchase an interest in real  
9 property, including a fee simple title, an easement, or a  
10 leasehold, or an option to acquire a fee simple title or any lesser  
11 interest in real property that is identified for possible use in or  
12 in connection with a transportation facility, including a facility  
13 as defined by Section 227.001, before a final decision has been made  
14 as to whether the transportation facility will be located on that  
15 property.

16 (d) Section 201.604 does not apply to this section.

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