BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 255 By: Carona Transportation Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Currently, Texas law does not address reporting requirements for the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT). Therefore, there is a lack of access and availability to specific data relating to TxDOT activities statewide.

As proposed, SB 255 requires TxDOT to publish annually, in an appropriate format, information related to certain TxDOT activities.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

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SECTION 1. Amends Subchapter J, Chapter 201, Transportation Code, by adding Section 201.805, as follows:

Sec. 201.805. REPORTS AND INFORMATION. Requires the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to annually publish, in appropriate media and on TxDOT's Internet website in a format that allows the information to be read into an electronic database, a statistical comparison of TxDOT districts and certain information for each county and for the state for each fiscal year.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2007.

EFFECTIVE DATE

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