BILL ANALYSIS

Senate Research Center 80R11218 ACP-F C.S.S.B. 669 By: Watson Transportation & Homeland Security 3/26/2007 Committee Report (Substituted)

AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

C.S.S.B. 669 prohibits the construction of billboards on State Highway 71 between the western city limits of Austin and State Highway 16. This is a scenic route through the Hill Country and this bill would preserve those vistas.

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. Reenacts and amends Section 391.252(a), Transportation Code, as amended by Chapters 281, 352, 405, 796, 903, 983, 1046, and 1353, Acts of the 79th Legislature, Regular Session, 2005, as follows:

(a) Adds Subdivision (19), to prohibit the erection of an off-premise sign that is adjacent to and visible from State Highway 71 between the western city limits of the city of Austin and State Highway 16. Amends a reference to State Highway 90 as U.S. Highway 90. Redesignates four redundantly numbered Subdivisions (14) as Subdivisions (15) through (18).

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2007.