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H.B. No. 570

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the use of motor vehicle registration or license plate information collected by a toll project entity.

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

SECTION 1. Subtitle G, Title 6, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Chapter 371 to read as follows:

CHAPTER 371. PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO MORE THAN

ONE TYPE OF TOLL PROJECT

SUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 371.001. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:

(1) "Toll project" means a toll project described by Section 201.001(b), regardless of whether the toll project:

(A) is a part of the state highway system; or

(B) is subject to the jurisdiction of the department.

(2) "Toll project entity" means an entity authorized by law to acquire, design, construct, finance, operate, and maintain a toll project, including:

(A) the department under Chapter 227 or 228;

(B) a regional tollway authority under Chapter 366;

(C) a regional mobility authority under Chapter 370; or

(D) a county under Chapter 284.

1 [Sections 371.002-371.050 reserved for expansion]

2 SUBCHAPTER B. TOLL PROJECT OPERATION

3 Sec. 371.051. USE OF MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION OR LICENSE  
4 PLATE INFORMATION. (a) A toll project entity may not use motor  
5 vehicle registration or other information derived from a license  
6 plate on a vehicle using a toll project, including information  
7 obtained by the use of automated enforcement technology described  
8 by Section 228.058, for purposes other than those related to:

9 (1) toll collection and toll collection enforcement;  
10 and

11 (2) law enforcement purposes on request by a law  
12 enforcement agency, subject to Section 228.058(d).

13 (b) If a toll project entity enters into an agreement with  
14 an entity in another state that involves the exchange of motor  
15 vehicle registration or license plate information for toll  
16 collection or toll collection enforcement purposes, the agreement  
17 must provide that the information may not be used for purposes other  
18 than those described in Subsection (a).

19 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
20 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
21 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
22 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
23 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.