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S.B. No. 245

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the first option of a local toll project-building
3 entity to finance, construct, or operate a new toll project.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 228, Transportation Code,
6 is amended by adding Section 228.011 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 228.011. FIRST OPTION TO LOCAL TOLL PROJECT-BUILDING
8 ENTITY. Before the department may enter into a contract for the
9 financing, construction, or operation of a new toll project any
10 part of which lies in an area under the jurisdiction of a local toll
11 project-building entity, including a county or a local government
12 corporation under Chapter 284, a regional tollway authority under
13 Chapter 366, or a regional mobility authority under Chapter 370,
14 the department shall provide the local toll project-building entity
15 the first option to finance, construct, or operate, as applicable,
16 the portion of the project in the entity's jurisdiction.

17 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.