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S.B. No. 719

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to prohibiting the Texas Department of Transportation from granting an interest in a state highway to an individual or nongovernmental entity.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 202, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 202.003 to read as follows:

Sec. 202.003. PROHIBITION AGAINST PRIVATE INTEREST. The department may not grant an individual or nongovernmental entity any interest, including a leasehold interest, in a state highway.

SECTION 2. Section 202.003, Transportation Code, as added by this Act, applies only to the sale, lease, or a contract for the sale or lease of real property entered into on or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2007.