

Amend CSHB 300 by striking SECTION 3.04 of the bill (house committee printing page 74, line 3, through page 75, line 11) and substituting:

SECTION 3.04. Section 228.201(a), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The ~~[Except as provided by Section 228.2015, the]~~ department may not operate a nontolled state highway or a segment of a nontolled state highway as a toll project, and may not transfer a highway or segment to another entity for operation as a toll project, unless:

(1) ~~[the commission by order designated the highway or segment as a toll project before the contract to construct the highway or segment was awarded;~~

~~[(2)]~~ the highway or segment was open to traffic as a turnpike project on or before September 1, 2005;

(2) ~~[(3) the project was designated as a toll project in a plan or program of a metropolitan planning organization on or before September 1, 2005;~~

~~[(4)]~~ the highway ~~[or segment]~~ is reconstructed so that the number of nontolled lanes on the highway ~~[or segment]~~ is greater than or equal to the number in existence before the reconstruction; or

(3) ~~[(5) a facility is constructed adjacent to the highway or segment so that the number of nontolled lanes on the converted highway or segment and the adjacent facility together is greater than or equal to the number in existence on the converted highway or segment before the conversion;~~

~~[(6)]~~ subject to Subsection (b), the highway or segment was open to traffic as a high-occupancy vehicle lane on May 1, 2005~~[, or~~

~~[(7) the commission converts the highway or segment to a toll facility by:~~

~~[(A) making the determination required by Section 228.202;~~

~~[(B) conducting the hearing required by Section 228.203; and~~

~~[(C) obtaining county and voter approval as~~

~~required by Sections 228.207 and 228.208].~~