

Amend CSHB 300 (Senate committee printing) in Article 1 of the bill by adding the following SECTION to that article, appropriately numbered, and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of that article accordingly.

SECTION 1.__. Section 21.042, Property Code, is amended by adding Subsection (h) to read as follows:

(h) This subsection applies only in connection with a portion of a tract or parcel of real property that is condemned in connection with a highway or other transportation project of the Texas Department of Transportation. In estimating injury or benefit under Subsection (c), the special commissioners shall consider an injury or benefit that is peculiar to the property owner and that relates to the property owner's ownership, use, or enjoyment of the particular parcel of real property, including a material impairment of direct access on or off the remaining property that affects the market value of the remaining property, but they may not consider an injury or benefit that the property owner experiences in common with the general community, including circuitry of travel and diversion of traffic. In this subsection, "direct access" means ingress and egress on or off a public road, street, or highway at a location or locations where the remaining property adjoins that road, street, or highway.