

Amend CSHB 3650 as follows:

(1) On page 10, line 20, revise Sec. 175.170 to read as follows:

Sec. 175.170. RAIL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES AGREEMENTS WITH OTHER POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), an authority may contract with a county or other political subdivision of this state for the authority to provide higher-speed rail transportation services to an area outside the border region on the terms and conditions to which the parties agree.

(b) An authority may not undertake any project or provide any services, or contract to undertake any project or provide any services, in an area that includes a county with a population of 3.3 million or more and any county adjacent to that county if the area is served by a district created under Chapter 171, Transportation Code, unless the district and the authority enter into a written agreement specifying the terms and conditions under which the project or services will be undertaken or provided.