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S.B. No. 1614

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the requirement that certain orders closing, abandoning, or vacating a county road be filed and indexed in the deed records of the county where the road is located.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection (b), Section 251.058, Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) Title to a public road or portion of a public road that is closed, abandoned, and vacated to the center line of the road vests on the date the order is signed by the county judge in the owner of the property that abuts the portion of the road being closed, abandoned, and vacated. A copy of the order shall be filed in the deed records of the county and serves as the official instrument of conveyance from the county to the owner of the abutting property. The order shall:

(1) include the name of each property owner who receives a conveyance under this section;

(2) include the dimensions of the property being conveyed to each property owner; and

(3) be indexed in the deed records of the county in a manner that describes:

(A) the county conveying the property as grantor;  
and

(B) the property owner receiving the conveyance

1 as grantee.

2           SECTION 2.   This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.