

1-1 By: Wentworth S.B. No. 1614  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 10, 2009; March 17, 2009, read  
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Transportation and Homeland  
1-4 Security; March 31, 2009, reported favorably by the following  
1-5 vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; March 31, 2009, sent to printer.)

1-6 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-7 AN ACT

1-8 relating to the requirement that certain orders closing,  
1-9 abandoning, or vacating a county road be filed and indexed in the  
1-10 deed records of the county where the road is located.

1-11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-12 SECTION 1. Subsection (b), Section 251.058, Transportation  
1-13 Code, is amended to read as follows:

1-14 (b) Title to a public road or portion of a public road that  
1-15 is closed, abandoned, and vacated to the center line of the road  
1-16 vests on the date the order is signed by the county judge in the  
1-17 owner of the property that abuts the portion of the road being  
1-18 closed, abandoned, and vacated. A copy of the order shall be filed  
1-19 in the deed records of the county and serves as the official  
1-20 instrument of conveyance from the county to the owner of the  
1-21 abutting property. The order shall:

1-22 (1) include the name of each property owner who  
1-23 receives a conveyance under this section;

1-24 (2) include the dimensions of the property being  
1-25 conveyed to each property owner; and

1-26 (3) be indexed in the deed records of the county in a  
1-27 manner that describes:

1-28 (A) the county conveying the property as grantor;  
1-29 and

1-30 (B) the property owner receiving the conveyance  
1-31 as grantee.

1-32 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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