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H.B. No. 678

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to coordination between school districts and other  
3 governmental agencies regarding necessary transportation  
4 infrastructure improvements associated with real property owned or  
5 proposed to be purchased by school districts.

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

7 SECTION 1. Subchapter Z, Chapter 44, Education Code, is  
8 amended by adding Section 44.905 to read as follows:

9 Sec. 44.905. COORDINATION WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES  
10 REGARDING NECESSARY TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE  
11 IMPROVEMENTS. (a) Before a school district may issue bonds or  
12 enter into a contract to construct a facility to be used for any  
13 purpose on real property owned by the district on September 1, 2011,  
14 the board of trustees of the district must hold a joint meeting with  
15 representatives of the Texas Department of Transportation district  
16 office for the departmental district in which the school district's  
17 central administrative office is located and:

18 (1) the governing body of each municipality in which  
19 or in whose extraterritorial jurisdiction any part of the property  
20 is located; and

21 (2) the commissioners court of each county in which  
22 any part of the property is located.

23 (b) A meeting held under Subsection (a) must address, with  
24 respect to each school district facility planned or expected to be

1 constructed on the real property owned or proposed to be purchased  
2 by the district:

3 (1) the impact of the facility on traffic and the  
4 transportation infrastructure in the area of the facility;

5 (2) the cost of any necessary associated  
6 transportation infrastructure improvements; and

7 (3) each entity that will be responsible for paying  
8 for any necessary associated transportation infrastructure  
9 improvements.

10 (c) A meeting held under Subsection (a) must be an open  
11 meeting as provided by Chapter 551, Government Code, except that  
12 the meeting may be a closed meeting if:

13 (1) the meeting involves real property the school  
14 district proposes to purchase; and

15 (2) the board of trustees would be authorized to  
16 conduct a closed meeting under Section 551.072, Government Code, in  
17 relation to the purchase of the property.

18 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2011.