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H.B. No. 719

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the operation of a golf cart or utility vehicle on a public highway in certain counties.

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

SECTION 1. Section 551.404, Transportation Code, is amended by amending Subsection (a-1) and adding Subsection (a-2) to read as follows:

(a-1) In addition to the operation authorized by Section 551.403, the commissioners court of a county described by Subsection (a-2) [~~that borders or contains a portion of the Guadalupe River and contains a part of a barrier island that borders the Gulf of Mexico~~] may allow an operator to operate a golf cart or utility vehicle on all or part of a public highway that:

(1) is located in the unincorporated area of the county; and

(2) has a speed limit of not more than 35 miles per hour.

(a-2) Subsection (a-1) applies only to a county that:

(1) borders or contains a portion of the Guadalupe River and contains a part of a barrier island that borders the Gulf of Mexico; or

(2) is adjacent to a county described by Subdivision (1) and:

(A) has a population of less than 30,000; and

1 (B) contains a part of a barrier island that
2 borders the Gulf of Mexico.

3 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.