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H.B. No. 1777

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to a study regarding the effects on international trade of
3 wait times at points of entry between the United States and the
4 United Mexican States.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter C, Chapter 201, Transportation Code,
7 is amended by adding Section 201.1145 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 201.1145. STUDY REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE. (a)

9 The Border Trade Advisory Committee shall conduct a study regarding
10 the effects on international trade of wait times at points of entry
11 between the United States and the United Mexican States located in
12 this state.

13 (b) The Border Trade Advisory Committee shall consult with
14 the commission to the extent that the commission may provide useful
15 information, expertise, or resources to further the study. The
16 commission shall assist the committee with the study.

17 (c) The study must include recommendations regarding
18 intergovernmental initiatives to reduce wait times and promote
19 international trade.

20 (d) Not later than October 1, 2014, the Border Trade
21 Advisory Committee shall submit a report to the legislature that
22 includes the results of the study and any associated
23 recommendations.

24 (e) This section expires January 1, 2015.

1 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
3 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
4 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
5 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.