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H.B. No. 1136

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the creation of the Transportation Safety and Access
3 Advisory Committee.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter H, Chapter 201, Transportation Code,
6 is amended by adding Section 201.6141 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 201.6141. TRANSPORTATION SAFETY AND ACCESS ADVISORY
8 COMMITTEE. (a) In this section, "committee" means the
9 Transportation Safety and Access Advisory Committee created under
10 this section.

11 (b) Section 2110.002, Government Code, does not apply to the
12 committee. The committee is composed of a representative appointed
13 by:

14 (1) AARP;

15 (2) the Texas chapter of the American Planning
16 Association;

17 (3) the Texas chapter of the American Society of
18 Landscape Architects;

19 (4) the Association of Texas Metropolitan Planning
20 Organizations;

21 (5) the department;

22 (6) the Department of Aging and Disability Services;

23 (7) the Department of State Health Services;

24 (8) an organization, selected by the department, that

1 represents bicyclists;

2 (9) an organization, selected by the department, that
3 represents persons with disabilities;

4 (10) the Texas Association of Counties; and

5 (11) the Texas Municipal League.

6 (c) Not later than December 1, 2015, the department shall
7 ensure that the representatives of the committee are appointed and
8 call the first meeting of the committee.

9 (d) The committee shall study methods, including
10 infrastructure additions such as sidewalks and bicycle lanes, the
11 department can use to improve the safety and access of all users of
12 state or federally funded transportation projects.

13 (e) Not later than September 1, 2016, the committee shall
14 create and submit to the department a report on the methods
15 described in Subsection (d).

16 (f) The committee is abolished and this section expires
17 January 1, 2017.

18 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.