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H.B. No. 1907

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to a study by the Texas Department of Transportation of the  
3 navigability of the Red River for commercial purposes.

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

5 SECTION 1. (a) In this section, "department" means the  
6 Texas Department of Transportation.

7 (b) The department shall conduct a study of the feasibility  
8 of and the costs and benefits associated with the use of the Red  
9 River for commercial navigation between the Denison Dam on Lake  
10 Texoma and Shreveport, Louisiana.

11 (c) The department shall consult with stakeholders and the  
12 appropriate governmental agencies in Arkansas and Louisiana in  
13 conducting the study.

14 (d) The department may accept grants or private donations  
15 for the purposes of conducting the study under this section.

16 (e) Not later than January 1, 2017, the department shall  
17 submit to the legislature a report containing the findings of the  
18 study conducted under this section.

19 SECTION 2. This Act expires January 2, 2017.

20 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.