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H.B. No. 3360

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the revocation of an organization's adoption of a section of the state highway system.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 430, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 430.003 to read as follows:

Sec. 430.003. PROCEDURES FOR REVOKING ADOPTION OF HIGHWAY SECTION. (a) In this section, "organization" includes a business entity.

(b) A person may initiate the revocation of an organization's adoption of a section of the state highway system under the department's Adopt-a-Highway program or a similar department program by submitting to the department a petition signed by at least one-half of one percent of the of the total votes cast in the county, in which the highway section is located, by all candidates for governor in the most recent gubernatorial general election.

(c) Not later than the 60th day after the date a petition described by Subsection (b) is received, the department shall hold a public hearing to determine whether to grant the petition to revoke the organization's adoption of the section.

(d) The department shall grant the petition and revoke the organization's adoption of the section of the state highway system if the department determines that, based on the mission, history,

1 and reputation of the organization and any other factor the
2 department considers relevant, the adoption of the section by the
3 organization will jeopardize the program, is counterproductive to
4 the purpose of the program, or will create a hazard to the safety of
5 the traveling public.

6 SECTION 2. Section 430.003, Transportation Code, as added
7 by this Act, applies to an organization that adopts a section of the
8 state highway system under the Texas Department of Transportation's
9 Adopt-a-Highway program or a similar department program before, on,
10 or after the effective date of this Act.

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