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S.B. No. 269

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to comprehensive development agreements of the Texas Department of Transportation.

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

SECTION 1. Sections 223.201(f), (i), and (j), Transportation Code, are amended to read as follows:

(f) The department may enter into a comprehensive development agreement only for all or part of:

(1) the State Highway 99 (Grand Parkway) project;

(2) the Interstate Highway 35E managed lanes project in Dallas and Denton Counties from Interstate Highway 635 to U.S. Highway 380;

(3) the Interstate Highway 35W project in Tarrant County from Interstate Highway 30 to State Highway 114;

(4) the State Highway 183 managed lanes project in Tarrant and Dallas Counties from State Highway 121 to Interstate Highway 35E;

(5) the Interstate Highway 35E/U.S. Highway 67 Southern Gateway project in Dallas County, including:

(A) Interstate Highway 35E from 8th Street to Interstate Highway 20; and

(B) U.S. Highway 67 from Interstate Highway 35E to Farm-to-Market Road 1382 (Belt Line Road);

(6) the State Highway 288 project from U.S. Highway 59

1 to south of State Highway 6 in Brazoria County and Harris County;

2 (7) the U.S. Highway 290 managed lanes project in  
3 Harris County from Interstate Highway 610 to State Highway 99;

4 (8) the Interstate Highway 820 project from State  
5 Highway 183 to Randol Mill Road;

6 (9) the State Highway 114 project in Dallas County  
7 from State Highway 121 to State Highway 183;

8 (10) the Loop 12 project in Dallas County from State  
9 Highway 183 to Interstate Highway 35E;

10 (11) the Loop 9 project in Dallas and Ellis Counties  
11 from Interstate Highway 20 to U.S. Highway 67; ~~and~~

12 (12) the U.S. Highway 181 Harbor Bridge project in  
13 Nueces County between U.S. Highway 181 at Beach Avenue and  
14 Interstate Highway 37; and

15 (13) the Interstate Highway 35 project in Travis  
16 County.

17 (i) The authority to enter into a comprehensive development  
18 agreement expires:

19 (1) August 31, 2017, for a project described by  
20 Subsection (f), other than the State Highway 99 (Grand Parkway)  
21 project, ~~and~~ the State Highway 183 managed lanes project, and the  
22 Interstate Highway 35 project in Travis County; and

23 (2) August 31, 2015, for the State Highway 183 managed  
24 lanes project.

25 (j) Before the department may enter into a comprehensive  
26 development agreement under Subsection (f), the department must:

27 (1) for a project other than the State Highway 99

1 (Grand Parkway) project or the Interstate Highway 35 project in  
2 Travis County, obtain, not later than August 31, 2017, the  
3 appropriate environmental clearance:

4 (A) for the project; or

5 (B) for the initial or base scope of the project  
6 if the project agreement provides for the phased construction of  
7 the project; and

8 (2) present to the commission a full financial plan  
9 for the project, including costing methodology and cost proposals.

10 SECTION 2. Section 223.201(k), Transportation Code, is  
11 repealed.

12 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
13 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
14 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
15 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
16 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.