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| BILL ANALYSIS |

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| C.S.H.B. 2778 |
| By: Faircloth |
| Transportation |
| Committee Report (Substituted) |

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| **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**  Interested parties suggest that there needs to be greater clarity regarding the designation of certain roads in relation to the issuance of oversize or overweight vehicle permits. C.S.H.B. 2778 seeks to clarify the roadways within certain counties, such as Chambers County, on which vehicles issued such permits may operate. |
| **CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT**  It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision. |
| **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**  It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution. |
| **ANALYSIS**  C.S.H.B. 2778 amends the Transportation Code to change the parts of State Highway 99 included among the roads for which Chambers County may issue an oversize or overweight vehicle permit to authorize the transport of cargo from the frontage road of State Highway 99 between its crossing with Cedar Bayou and its intersection with Interstate Highway 10, including the portion of the frontage road located in the Cedar Crossing Business and Industrial Park, to State Highway 99, including the frontage road of State Highway 99 but excluding any portion of the highway for which payment of a toll is required, between its crossing with Cedar Bayou and its intersection with Interstate Highway 10. |
| **EFFECTIVE DATE**  September 1, 2017. |
| **COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE**  While C.S.H.B. 2778 may differ from the original in minor or nonsubstantive ways, the following comparison is organized and formatted in a manner that indicates the substantial differences between the introduced and committee substitute versions of the bill. |
| | INTRODUCED | HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE | | --- | --- | | SECTION 1. Section 623.252(b), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:  (b) A permit issued under this subchapter may authorize:  (1) the transport of cargo only on the following roads in Chambers County:  (A) Farm-to-Market Road 1405 between its intersection with Farm-to-Market Road 2354 and its intersection with Farm-to-Market Road 565;  (B) [~~the frontage road of~~] State Highway 99, including the frontage road of State Highway 99 and the portion of the frontage road located in the Cedar Crossing Business and Industrial Park, other than a tolled segment of State Highway 99, between the [~~its~~] crossing of State Highway 99 with Cedar Bayou and its intersection with Interstate Highway 10[~~, including the portion of the frontage road located in the Cedar Crossing Business and Industrial Park~~];  (C) Farm-to-Market Road 565 from its intersection with Farm-to-Market Road 1405 to its intersection with State Highway 99; and  (D) Farm-to-Market Road 2354 from its intersection with Farm-to-Market Road 1405 northwest approximately 300 linear feet to the termination of the state-maintained portion of the road; and  (2) the movement of equipment and commodities weighing 100,000 pounds or less. | SECTION 1. Section 623.252(b), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:  (b) A permit issued under this subchapter may authorize:  (1) the transport of cargo only on the following roads in Chambers County:  (A) Farm-to-Market Road 1405 between its intersection with Farm-to-Market Road 2354 and its intersection with Farm-to-Market Road 565;  (B) [~~the frontage road of~~] State Highway 99, including the frontage road of State Highway 99 but excluding any portion of the highway for which payment of a toll is required, between its crossing with Cedar Bayou and its intersection with Interstate Highway 10[~~, including the portion of the frontage road located in the Cedar Crossing Business and Industrial Park~~];  (C) Farm-to-Market Road 565 from its intersection with Farm-to-Market Road 1405 to its intersection with State Highway 99; and  (D) Farm-to-Market Road 2354 from its intersection with Farm-to-Market Road 1405 northwest approximately 300 linear feet to the termination of the state-maintained portion of the road; and  (2) the movement of equipment and commodities weighing 100,000 pounds or less. | | SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017. | SECTION 2. Same as introduced version. | |