# **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 141 By: Raymond Transportation Committee Report (Unamended)

## BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Concerns have been raised that the toll for certain toll projects owned and operated by the Texas Department of Transportation is too high, inhibiting economic development in surrounding areas. H.B. 141 seeks to address this issue by prohibiting the operation of State Highway 255 as a toll project.

### **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

H.B. 141 amends the Transportation Code to prohibit the Texas Department of Transportation from operating any part of State Highway 255 in Webb County as a toll project.

### EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2017.