

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

Relating to the use of connected braking systems to maintain distance between vehicles.

### **RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

### **SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 545.062, Transportation Code, by adding Subsection (d), as follows:

(d) Authorizes an operator of a vehicle equipped with a connected braking system that is following another vehicle equipped with that system to be assisted by the system to maintain an assured clear distance or sufficient space as required by this section (Following Distance). Defines "connected braking system."

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2017.