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H.B. No. 857

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to a study by the Texas Department of Transportation of the
3 alignment for the proposed Regional Outer Loop project in certain
4 counties.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter H, Chapter 201, Transportation Code,
7 is amended by adding Section 201.623 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 201.623. STUDY OF REGIONAL OUTER LOOP PROJECT. (a)

9 The department shall conduct a study of and make recommendations
10 for the alignment of the proposed Regional Outer Loop project in
11 Collin, Rockwall, Kaufman, Dallas, and Ellis Counties between
12 Dallas North Tollway in Collin County and U.S. Highway 67 in Ellis
13 County. The study must identify:

14 (1) locally preferred alignments for the proposed
15 Regional Outer Loop project;

16 (2) right-of-way needs; and

17 (3) potential development options.

18 (b) In conducting the study, the department shall consult
19 with the counties described by Subsection (a) and municipalities
20 located in those counties.

21 (c) Not later than January 1, 2019, the department shall
22 submit to the legislature a report containing the findings of the
23 study and any recommendations.

24 (d) This section expires August 31, 2019.

1 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
2 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
3 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
4 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
5 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.