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S.B. No. 82

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT  
2 relating to prohibiting the temporary closure of segments of the  
3 state highway system on days that certain scheduled events are  
4 being held in certain municipalities.

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

6 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 223, Transportation Code,  
7 is amended by adding Section 223.051 to read as follows:

8 Sec. 223.051. NOTIFICATION BY CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES OF  
9 SCHEDULED EVENT. (a) This section applies only to a municipality  
10 that:

11 (1) is partially located in three counties, two of  
12 which have a population of 1.8 million or more;

13 (2) is primarily located in a county with a population  
14 of 1.8 million or more; and

15 (3) has within its boundaries all or part of an  
16 international airport operated jointly by two municipalities.

17 (b) A contract for an improvement to a segment of the state  
18 highway system must prohibit a contractor from temporarily closing  
19 the highway, including temporarily relocating or changing an  
20 entrance or exit ramp to or from the highway, on the date that an  
21 event is scheduled to be held in a municipality in which the  
22 improvement is being proposed if, not later than 180 days before the  
23 date the event is scheduled to be held, the municipality notifies  
24 the department and the contractor of the date.

1           SECTION 2. Section 223.051, Transportation Code, as added  
2 by this Act, applies only to a contract entered into on or after the  
3 effective date of this Act. A contract entered into before the  
4 effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect on the  
5 date the contract was entered into, and the former law is continued  
6 in effect for that purpose.

7           SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.