

AN ACT

relating to prohibiting the temporary closure of segments of the state highway system on days that certain scheduled events are being held in certain municipalities.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 82 passed the Senate on April 19, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Secretary of the Senate

I hereby certify that S.B. No. 82 passed the House on May 24, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 146, Nays 0, two present not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved:

Date

Governor