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S.B. No. 684

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the local regulation of the operation of utility
3 vehicles, all-terrain vehicles, and recreational off-highway
4 vehicles on public roadways.

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

6 SECTION 1. Section 551.404, Transportation Code, is amended
7 by amending Subsection (a-1) and adding Subsection (a-3) to read as
8 follows:

9 (a-1) In addition to the operation authorized by Section
10 551.403, the commissioners court of a county described by
11 Subsection (a-2) may allow an operator to operate a golf cart [~~or~~
12 ~~utility vehicle~~] on all or part of a public highway that:

13 (1) is located in the unincorporated area of the
14 county; and

15 (2) has a speed limit of not more than 35 miles per
16 hour.

17 (a-3) A local authority may allow and regulate the operation
18 of a utility vehicle on all or part of a public roadway in the
19 jurisdiction of the authority.

20 SECTION 2. Section 663.037, Transportation Code, is amended
21 by adding Subsection (h) to read as follows:

22 (h) A local authority may allow and regulate the operation
23 of an all-terrain vehicle on all or part of a public roadway in the
24 jurisdiction of the authority.

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