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S.B. No. 981

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the compatibility of a high-speed rail facility with
3 multiple types of train technology.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 112, Transportation Code,
6 is amended by adding Section 112.063 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 112.063. HIGH-SPEED RAIL TECHNOLOGIES. (a) In this
8 section:

9 (1) "High-speed rail" means intercity passenger
10 service that is reasonably expected to reach speeds of at least 110
11 miles per hour.

12 (2) "Rail facility" has the meaning assigned by
13 Section 91.001.

14 (b) A private entity that constructs a rail facility for
15 high-speed rail service shall ensure that the facility is
16 compatible with more than one type of train technology.

17 (c) The department shall adopt rules as necessary to
18 implement this section.

19 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.