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S.B. No. 1282

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to prohibiting the use of automated traffic control systems.

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

SECTION 1. The heading to Section 542.2035, Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 542.2035. AUTOMATED TRAFFIC CONTROL SYSTEM PROHIBITED
~~[LIMITATION ON MUNICIPALITIES]~~.

SECTION 2. Section 542.2035(a), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Notwithstanding any other law, this state, a local authority, a school district, a governmental agency that provides services to a school district, or an intermediate education agency
~~[A municipality]~~ may not implement or operate an automated traffic control system with respect to a highway or street under its jurisdiction for the purpose of enforcing compliance with posted speed limits. The attorney general shall enforce this subsection.

SECTION 3. (a) Notwithstanding the changes in law made by this Act to Section 542.2035, Transportation Code, if before June 1, 2017, this state, a local authority, a school district, a governmental agency that provides services to a school district, or an intermediate education agency had enacted an order, ordinance, or rule to implement an automated traffic control system and entered into a contract for the administration and enforcement of

1 the system, the entity may continue to operate the system under that
2 order, ordinance, or rule and under the terms of that contract until
3 the expiration date specified in the contract as the contract
4 existed on June 1, 2017.

5 (b) Subsection (a) of this section does not apply to a
6 contract for the administration and enforcement of an automated
7 traffic control system before June 1, 2017, that explicitly
8 authorizes termination of the contract on the basis of adverse
9 state legislation.

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