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S.B. No. 1834

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the allocation of revenue from certain penalties for transportation project delays.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 222, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 222.007 to read as follows:

Sec. 222.007. ALLOCATION OF REVENUE FROM CERTAIN PENALTIES FOR TRANSPORTATION PROJECT DELAYS. (a) The department shall establish a system to track penalties for delays in transportation projects assessed by the department on contractors hired by the department. The system must allow the department to correlate a penalty with:

(1) the project that was the subject of the penalty;

and

(2) each county in which the project that was the subject of the penalty is located.

(b) Each year, the department shall:

(1) for each county, determine the amount of money collected from penalties described by Subsection (a) in the previous year that is attributable to projects located in the county; and

(2) in addition to other amounts, allocate to each county an amount of money equal to the amount determined for the county under Subdivision (1) to be used for transportation projects

1 located in that county.

2 (c) If a transportation project that was the subject of a
3 penalty is located in more than one county, the department may
4 reasonably allocate the penalty revenue from that project between
5 the counties in which the project is located.

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