BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

The current statutory requirements for the placement of a slow-moving vehicle emblem are no longer appropriate for more recent and larger models of farm equipment. H.B. 2290 seeks to revise those requirements by removing a certain height restriction and allowing the placement of the slow-moving vehicle emblem where it is visible.

H.B. 2290 amends current law relating to the placement of a slow-moving-vehicle emblem.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 547.703(a), Transportation Code, to require a slow-moving vehicle, except as provided by Subsection (b) (relating to an exception to additional requirements for slow-moving vehicles for vehicles used in construction or maintenance work and traveling in certain construction areas), to display a slow-moving-vehicle emblem that is mounted base down on the rear of the vehicle and at a height that does not impair the visibility of the emblem, rather than is mounted base down on the rear of the vehicle at a height from three to five feet above the road surface.

SECTION 2. Makes application of this Act prospective. Provides that, for purposes of this section, an offense was committed before the effective date of this Act if any element of the offense was committed before that date.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2019.