BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 2830 By: Canales Transportation Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

It has been suggested that there are opportunities to allow for greater efficiencies in the design-build process regarding state highway projects, such as by modifying the limitation on the number of projects into which the Texas Department of Transportation may enter and tweaking the content of requests for proposals in relation to project designs. H.B. 2830 seeks to provide for these efficiencies by revising certain requirements relating to design-build contracts.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

H.B. 2830 amends the Transportation Code to revise the limitations on the maximum number of design-build contracts for a highway project into which the Texas Department of Transportation may enter from three contracts in each fiscal year to six contracts in each state fiscal biennium. The bill removes the specification that the design required to be included in a request for a design-build highway project proposal is a schematic design.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2019.