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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to major thoroughfare plans adopted by certain metropolitan planning organizations.

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

SECTION 1.  Subchapter D, Chapter 472, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 472.037 to read as follows:

Sec. 472.037.  MAJOR THOROUGHFARE PLAN. (a) This section applies only to a metropolitan planning organization responsible for transportation planning for a county that:

(1)  is located on an international border; and

(2)  has a population of at least 700,000 and not more than 800,000.

(b)  Notwithstanding any other law and to the extent allowed by federal law, the policy board of a metropolitan planning organization to which this section applies shall include in any major thoroughfare plan adopted by the policy board a portion of a roadway that:

(1)  connects two major arterial thoroughfares that lead into a municipality that is located on an international border;

(2)  consists of approximately one mile of two-lane roadway extending east and west between two state highways, the east segment of which consists of approximately 3,200 feet of concrete pavement with partial curb and the west segment of which consists of approximately 2,100 feet of hot mix pavement with no curb; and

(3)  is classified as a minor collector connecting two principal arterial thoroughfares and considered on-system.

SECTION 2.  As soon as practicable after the effective date of this Act, a metropolitan planning organization subject to Section 472.037, Transportation Code, as added by this Act, shall adopt a major thoroughfare plan in accordance with that section.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.