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H.B. No. 2517

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to transporting dogs in open truck or trailer beds in
3 certain counties.

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

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter I, Chapter 545, Transportation Code,
6 is amended by adding Section 545.4146 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 545.4146. TRANSPORTING DOGS IN OPEN BEDS. (a) This
8 section applies only to a vehicle being operated or a trailer being
9 drawn in a county with a population of more than 125,000.

10 (b) A person may not operate an open-bed pickup truck or an
11 open flatbed truck or draw an open flatbed trailer described by
12 Subsection (a) at a speed greater than 30 miles per hour when a dog
13 is occupying the bed of the truck or trailer unless the dog
14 occupying the bed of the truck or trailer is secured in a crate,
15 cage, or other closed container.

16 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.