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H.B. No. 2781

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the cessation of tolls on state highway segments in certain counties.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 228, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 228.060 to read as follows:

Sec. 228.060. CESSATION OF TOLLS RESULTING IN SAFETY HAZARD IN CERTAIN COUNTIES. The department may not charge a toll, either directly or indirectly through an agreement with another entity, on the segment of State Highway 99 located in a county that:

(1) has a population of less than 75,000;

(2) adopts a resolution stating that the imposition of tolls on the segment has created a safety hazard on another state highway located in the county; and

(3) submits the resolution to the department.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2019.