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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

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- 2 relating to certain requirements for and limitations on
- 3 design-build contracts for highway projects of the Texas Department
- 4 of Transportation.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. Section 223.242(d-1), Transportation Code, is
- 7 amended to read as follows:
- 8 (d-1) The department may not enter into more than \underline{six}
- 9 [three] contracts under this section in each state fiscal biennium
- 10 [year].

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- 11 SECTION 2. Section 223.246(a), Transportation Code, is
- 12 amended to read as follows:
- 13 (a) The department shall issue a request for proposals to
- 14 proposers short-listed under Section 223.245. A request for
- 15 proposals must include:
- 16 (1) information on the overall project goals;
- 17 (2) publicly available cost estimates for the
- 18 design-build portion of the project;
- 19 (3) materials specifications;
- 20 (4) special material requirements;
- 21 (5) a [schematic] design approximately 30 percent
- 22 complete;
- 23 (6) known utilities, provided that the department is
- 24 not required to undertake an effort to locate utilities;

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- 1 (7) quality assurance and quality control
- 2 requirements;
- 3 (8) the location of relevant structures;
- 4 (9) notice of any rules or goals adopted by the
- 5 department relating to awarding contracts to disadvantaged
- 6 business enterprises or small business enterprises;
- 7 (10) available geotechnical or other information
- 8 related to the project;
- 9 (11) the status of any environmental review of the
- 10 project;
- 11 (12) detailed instructions for preparing the
- 12 technical proposal required under Subsection (d), including a
- 13 description of the form and level of completeness of drawings
- 14 expected;
- 15 (13) the relative weighting of the technical and cost
- 16 proposals required under Subsection (d) and the formula by which
- 17 the proposals will be evaluated and ranked; and
- 18 (14) the criteria to be used in evaluating the
- 19 technical proposals, and the relative weighting of those criteria.
- 20 SECTION 3. Section 223.246(a), Transportation Code, as
- 21 amended by this Act, applies only to a highway project for which a
- 22 request for qualifications is issued on or after the effective date
- 23 of this Act. A highway project for which a request for
- 24 qualifications is issued before the effective date of this Act is
- 25 governed by the law in effect on the date the request for
- 26 qualifications was issued, and that law is continued in effect for
- 27 that purpose.

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1 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.