By: Nichols (Canales)

S.B. No. 1092

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

| 1  | AN ACT  |
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| 2  | relating to certain contracts requiring competitive bidding by the  |
| 3  | Texas Department of Transportation.                                 |
| 4  | BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:             |
| 5  | SECTION 1. Section 223.001, Transportation Code, is amended         |
| 6  | to read as follows:   |
| 7  | Sec. 223.001. CONTRACT REQUIRING COMPETITIVE BIDS.                  |
| 8  | (a) This section applies only to a highway that is part of the      |
| 9  | state highway system.   |
| 10 | (b) The department shall submit for competitive bids each           |
| 11 | contract for:   |
| 12 | (1) the improvement of a highway [ <del>that is part of the</del>   |
| 13 | <pre>state highway system]; [or]</pre>                              |
| 14 | (2) materials to be used in the construction or                     |
| 15 | maintenance of <u>a</u> [ <del>that</del> ] highway <u>; or</u>     |
| 16 | (3) traffic control or safety devices to be used on a               |
| 17 | highway.  |
| 18 | SECTION 2. This Act applies only in relation to a contract          |
| 19 | for which the Texas Department of Transportation first advertises   |
| 20 | or otherwise solicits bids, proposals, offers, or qualifications on |
| 21 | or after the effective date of this Act.                            |
| 22 | SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives         |
| 23 | a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as   |
| 24 | provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this    |

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Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
Act takes effect September 1, 2019.