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S.B. No. 890

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the inclusion in a toll project construction plan of a plan for the construction of adjacent nontolled lanes.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 372, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 372.003 to read as follows:

Sec. 372.003. ADJACENT NONTOLLED LANES REQUIRED. (a) The governing body of a toll project entity may not:

(1) adopt a plan for the construction of a toll project unless the plan includes a plan for the construction of at least one adjacent nontolled lane of travel in each direction; or

(2) authorize the collection of a toll for the use of a toll project in a plan described by Subdivision (1) until the planned nontolled lanes are open to traffic.

(b) This section does apply to a department toll facility designation under Section 228.201(a)(3) or (4).

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to a toll project for which an initial plan is adopted on or after September 1, 2021.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.