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(Thompson of Brazoria)

S.B. No. 1865

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to an annual permit for certain equipment used to apply paint to roadways; authorizing a fee.

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

SECTION 1. Section 623.071, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Subsection (c-2) to read as follows:

(c-2) The department may issue an annual permit to allow the operation on a state highway, other than a highway that is part of the national system of interstate and defense highways, of equipment that exceeds weight limits provided by law if the equipment:

(1) does not exceed the maximum weight limit provided in Subsection (c)(3)(B); and

(2) is used solely for the purpose of applying paint to a roadway as part of the construction or maintenance of public roads.

SECTION 2. Section 623.076(c), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

(c) An application for a permit under Section 623.071(c)(3), (c-2), or (d) must be accompanied by the permit fee established by the board, in consultation with the commission, for the permit, not to exceed \$7,000. Of each fee collected under this subsection, the department shall send:

(1) the first \$1,000 to the comptroller for deposit to

1 the credit of the general revenue fund; and

2 (2) any amount in excess of \$1,000 to the comptroller,
3 who shall deposit:

4 (A) 90 percent of the excess to the credit of the
5 state highway fund; and

6 (B) 10 percent of the excess to the credit of the
7 Texas Department of Motor Vehicles fund.

8 SECTION 3. Section 623.077(a), Transportation Code, is
9 amended to read as follows:

10 (a) An applicant for a permit under this subchapter, other
11 than a permit under Section 623.071(c)(3) or (c-2), must also pay a
12 highway maintenance fee in an amount determined according to the
13 following table:

14 Vehicle Weight in Pounds	Fee
15 80,001 to 120,000	\$150
16 120,001 to 160,000	\$225
17 160,001 to 200,000	\$300
18 200,001 and above	\$375

19 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.