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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the use of dynamic message signs for the Keep 'Em Safe Texas Gun Storage Campaign.

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

SECTION 1.  Subchapter H, Chapter 201, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 201.625 to read as follows:

Sec. 201.625.  KEEP 'EM SAFE TEXAS GUN STORAGE CAMPAIGN. (a) The department, in consultation with the Department of Public Safety, shall establish and implement a plan for providing relevant information to the public regarding the safe storage of firearms for the Department of Public Safety's Keep 'Em Safe Texas Gun Storage Campaign using an existing system of dynamic message signs located across the state.

(b)  Notwithstanding Subsection (a), the department is not required to use any existing system of dynamic message signs to provide the information described by Subsection (a) if the department receives notice from the United States Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration that the use of the signs would result in the loss of federal highway funding or other punitive actions taken against this state due to noncompliance with federal laws, regulations, or policies.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.