By:  Hancock S.B. No. 2200

(In the Senate - Filed March 9, 2023; March 22, 2023, read first time and referred to Committee on Transportation; April 26, 2023, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0; April 26, 2023, sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE

                 Yea Nay Absent  PNV

Nichols           X

West              X

Alvarado          X

Eckhardt          X

Hancock           X

King              X

Miles             X

Parker            X

Perry             X

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to public acknowledgment of donations made to the Texas Department of Transportation.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 201.206, Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 201.206.  DONATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS. (a) For the purpose of carrying out its functions and duties, the department may accept, from any source, a donation or contribution in any form, including realty, personalty, money, materials, or services.

(b)  The department may enter into an agreement with a donor to publicly acknowledge donations made to the department. The public acknowledgment may not contain comparative or qualitative descriptions of the donor's products, services, facilities, or companies.

(c)  If a person makes a donation to the department's roadside assistance and safety service patrol program, the department may post an acknowledgment of the donation on a vehicle or equipment the department uses for the program.

(d)  The commission may adopt rules for the acknowledgment of donations under this section.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2023.

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