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H.B. No. 4994

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to creation of hike and bike corridors and authorizing acquisition of right-of-way.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 224, Subtitle B, Title 6, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Subchapter G to read as follows:

SUBCHAPTER G. HIKE AND BIKE CORRIDORS

Sec. 202.115. ESTABLISHMENT. The commission may acquire real property or an interest in real property or purchase an option to acquire real property for possible use in or in connection with the establishment of hike and bike corridors.

Sec. 202.116 FUNDING. The commission may use federal funds, appropriated funds, local funds, or private funds to construct hike and bike corridors.

Sec. 202.116 CORRIDORS. (a) HILL COUNTRY HIKE AND BIKE TRAIL. The commission may utilize powers granted by this subchapter or other chapters to plan and construct a hike and bike corridor along U.S. 290 in Blanco and Gillespie counties.

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.