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S.B. No. 1418

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the route designation for the issuance of a permit for the movement of oversize and overweight vehicles in certain counties.

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

SECTION 1. Section 623.219(a), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) For a permit issued by a port authority located in a county that borders the United Mexican States, the commission ~~[shall]~~, with the consent of the port authority:

(1) ~~shall~~~~[7]~~ designate the most direct route from:

(A) ~~[(1)]~~ the Gateway International Bridge or the Veterans International Bridge at Los Tomates to the entrance of the Port of Brownsville using State Highways 48 and 4 or United States Highways 77 and 83 or using United States Highway 77 and United States Highway 83, East Loop Corridor, and State Highway 4; ~~[and]~~

(B) ~~[(2)]~~ the Free Trade International Bridge to:

(i) ~~[(A)]~~ the entrance of the Port of Brownsville using Farm-to-Market Road 509, United States Highways 77 and 83, Farm-to-Market Road 511, State Highway 550, and East Loop (State Highway 32);

(ii) ~~[(B)]~~ the eastern entrance of the Port

of Harlingen using Farm-to-Market Road 509, United States Highway 77 Business, and Farm-to-Market Road 1846;

(iii) [~~(C)~~] the western entrance of the Port of Harlingen using Farm-to-Market Roads 509 and 106;

(iv) [~~(D)~~] the southern entrance of the Harlingen Industrial Park using Farm-to-Market Road 509; and

(v) [~~(E)~~] the southern entrance of the Harlingen Aerotropolis at Valley International Airport using Farm-to-Market Road 509; and

(C) the Pharr International Bridge to:

(i) the eastern entrance of the Port of Harlingen using United States Highway 281, Farm-to-Market Road 509, United States Highway 77 Business, and Farm-to-Market Road 1846; and

(ii) the western entrance of the Port of Harlingen using United States Highway 281 and Farm-to-Market Roads 509 and 106; and

(2) may designate another route in consultation with the port authority.

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