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H.B. No. 146

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 146:

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C.S.H.B. No. 146

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the required approval by the State Preservation Board
of certain traffic changes near the state capitol.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 443, Government Code, is amended by
adding a new Section 443.0073 to read as follows:

Sec. 443.0073. APPROVAL OF CERTAIN CAPITOL AREA TRAFFIC
CHANGES. (a) As used in this section:

(1) "covered segment" means the portion of Congress
Avenue in Travis County between its intersection with the Congress
Avenue bridge and its intersection with 11th Street; and

(2) "special event" means an event that has 50 or more
attendees at any time and for which a municipality authorizes the
temporary closure of:

(A) a covered segment; or

(B) a public highway, street, or alley adjacent
to a covered segment.

(b) Notwithstanding any other law, a municipality may not,
unless authorized by an affirmative vote of four board members,
take any action, directly or indirectly, that, for a covered
segment:

(1) reduces the number of lanes of traffic
permanently; or

(2) closes any lane of traffic for more than 14

1 consecutive days other than for:

2 (A) a special event; or

3 (B) a construction project occurring on or
4 adjacent to a covered segment

5 (C) a traffic control plan or pedestrian safety
6 plan in connection with construction under Paragraph (B).

7 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
8 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
9 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
10 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
11 Act takes effect September 1, 2025.