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H.B. No. 1418

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the annexation of certain territory by general law municipalities.

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

SECTION 1. Section 43.028, Local Government Code, is amended by adding Subsections (g) and (h) to read as follows:

(g) An area of land that would be eligible for annexation under this section except that the area does not meet the contiguity requirement of Subsection (a)(2) may be annexed under this section if a public right-of-way of a road or highway designated by the municipality exists that:

(1) is located entirely in the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the municipality; and

(2) when added to the area would cause the area to be contiguous to the municipality.

(h) Notwithstanding Section 43.054, on annexation of an area described by Subsection (g), the public right-of-way that makes the area eligible for annexation under Subsection (g) is included in the annexation to the municipality without regard to whether the owners of the public right-of-way sought annexation under this section. The ordinance providing for annexation must provide a metes and bounds description of the public right-of-way annexed under this subsection.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives

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1 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
2 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
3 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
4 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.