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H.B. No. 1968

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to certain comprehensive development agreements of the Texas Department of Transportation or a regional mobility authority.

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

SECTION 1. Section 223.201(j), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

(j) Before the department may enter into a comprehensive development agreement under Subsection (f), the department must:

(1) for a project other than the State Highway 99 (Grand Parkway) project, obtain, not later than August 31, 2019 [2017], the appropriate environmental clearance:

(A) for the project; or

(B) for the initial or base scope of the project if the project agreement provides for the phased construction of the project; and

(2) present to the commission a full financial plan for the project, including costing methodology and cost proposals.

SECTION 2. Sections 223.2011(a), (c), and (f), Transportation Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) Notwithstanding Sections 223.201(f) and 370.305(c), the department or an authority under Section 370.003 may enter into one or more [a] comprehensive development agreements [agreement] relating to improvements to, or construction of, all or part of:

(1) the Loop 1 (MoPac Improvement) project from Farm-to-Market Road 734 to Cesar Chavez Street;

(2) the U.S. 183 (Bergstrom Expressway) project from Springdale Road to Patton Avenue;

(3) a project or projects consisting of the construction of:

(A) the Outer Parkway Project in Cameron County from U.S. Highway 77 to Farm-to-Market Road 1847; ~~and~~

(B) the South Padre Island Second Access Causeway Project from State Highway 100 to Park Road 100; and

(C) the Farm-to-Market Road 106 project in Cameron County from Farm-to-Market Road 1847 to Farm-to-Market Road 510;

(4) the Loop 49 project from Interstate 20 to U.S. Highway 69 (Lindale Relief Route) and from State Highway 110 to U.S. Highway 259 (Segments 6 and 7);

(5) the Loop 375 Border Highway West project in El Paso County from Race Track Drive to U.S. Highway 54;

(6) the Northeast Parkway project in El Paso County from Loop 375 east of the Railroad Drive overpass to the Texas-New Mexico border;

(7) the Loop 1604 project in Bexar County;

(8) the Hidalgo County Loop project; ~~and~~

(9) the International Bridge Trade Corridor project; and

(10) the Farm-to-Market Road 1925 project in Cameron and Hidalgo Counties from Interstate 69E to Interstate 69C.

1           (c) Not later than December 1, 2016 [~~2014~~], the department  
2 or the authority, as applicable, shall provide a report to the  
3 commission on the status of a project described by Subsection  
4 (a). The report must include:

5                   (1) the status of the project's environmental  
6 clearance;

7                   (2) an explanation of any project delays; and

8                   (3) if the procurement is not completed, the  
9 anticipated date for the completion of the procurement.

10          (f) The authority to enter into a comprehensive development  
11 agreement under this section expires August 31, 2019 [~~2017~~].

12          SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
13 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
14 provided by Section [39](#), Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
15 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
16 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.