BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, Texas law authorizes an owner of property containing a third-class road or a specified neighborhood road, the right-of-way of which was obtained without a cost to the county, to erect a gate that meets certain requirements across the road. This bill would authorize neighborhood associations to erect gates on third-class and neighborhood roads.

PURPOSE

As proposed, H.B. 3684 authorizes neighborhood associations to erect gates on third-class and neighborhood roads.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 251.010(a), Transportation Code, to authorize a neighborhood association which owns or controls real property on which a third-class road established under Section 251.053 is located for which the right-of-way was obtained without cost to the county to erect a gate across the road when necessary. Requires the gate to be constructed as to not cause any unnecessary delay to persons, including emergency personnel, using the road, rather than a person.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 1999.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.