

BILL ANALYSIS

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S.B. 1872
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Committee Report (Amended)

DIGEST

Currently, a political entity is authorized to sell a toll road. S.B. 1872 would establish conditions regarding the sale of certain toll roads by certain political subdivisions.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 1872 establishes conditions regarding the sale of certain toll roads by certain political subdivisions.

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 Chapter 284A, Transportation Code, by adding Section 284.009, as follows:

Sec. 284.009. SALE OF CERTAIN TOLL ROADS PROHIBITED. Provides that this section applies only to a county with a population of 2.8 million or more. Prohibits a county from selling or otherwise transferring a toll road project to any other public or private entity if the project was built using right-of-way acquired from the state, without the express written consent of and consultation with, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT). Provides that this section expires January 1, 2002.

SECTION 2. Amends Chapter 365B, Transportation Code, by adding Section 365.016, as follows:

Sec. 365.016. SALE OF CERTAIN TOLL ROADS PROHIBITED. Provides that this section applies only to a district any portion of which is located in a county with a population of 2.8 million or more. Prohibits the district from selling or otherwise transferring a toll road project to any other public or private entity if the project was built using right-of-way acquired from the state, without the express written consent of and consultation with, TxDOT. Provides that this section expires January 1, 2002.

SECTION 3. Emergency clause.
Effective date: upon passage.

SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE CHANGES

SECTION 1.

Amends Section 384.009(b), Transportation Code, to require express written consent and consultation with TxDOT in reference to selling or transferring, by a county, of a toll road project to certain entities.

SECTION 2.

Amends Section 365.016(b), Transportation Code, to require express written consent and consultation with TxDOT in reference to selling or transferring, by a district, of a toll road project to certain entities.