

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

S.B. 1708 allows the Cameron County Regional Mobility Authority (authority) to enter into a public private partnerships to link two highways. This project would connect United States Highway 281 and United States Highway 77/83 in Cameron County. Allowing the authority to enter into a public private partnership will help get the project completed as soon as possible.

As proposed, S.B. 1708 amends current law relating to certain comprehensive development agreements of regional mobility authorities.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

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

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Subchapter G, Chapter 370, Transportation Code, by adding Section 370.3056, as follows:

Sec. 370.3056. LIMITED AUTHORITY FOR CERTAIN PROJECTS USING COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENTS. Authorizes an authority, notwithstanding Sections 370.305(d) (relating to the authority to enter into a comprehensive development agreement expiring on August 31, 2009) and (f) (relating to the authority to enter into a comprehensive development agreement expiring on August 31, 2011), to enter into a comprehensive development agreement relating to the construction of the 281 Connector Project from U.S. Highway 281 to U.S. Highway 77/83.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2011.