

BILL ANALYSIS

S.B. 1311
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Transportation
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Concerns have been raised regarding the limited means through which toll road authorities may communicate with customers. S.B. 1311 seeks to address this issue by giving toll road authorities the option to communicate with customers through means other than first class mail.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

S.B. 1311 amends the Transportation Code to give a county, a regional mobility authority, or a toll project entity the option to provide certain invoices or notices of toll or turnpike project nonpayment, as applicable, as an electronic record as an alternative to sending it by first class mail if the recipient of the information agrees to the transmission of the information as an electronic record and if that electronic transmission is on terms acceptable to the recipient.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2019.