

BILL ANALYSIS

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Committee Report (Amended)

DIGEST

Currently, the Transportation Code allows the governing body of a municipality to hold a public hearing to consider prima facie speed limits on highways near public and private elementary and secondary schools. However, certain state highway systems may not be regulated by municipal authorities. This bill adds public and private institutions of higher education to the list of schools on which a municipality is allowed to hold a hearing to consider prima facie speed limits.

PURPOSE

As proposed, C.S.S.B. 1016 adds public and private institutions of higher education to the list of schools on which a municipality is allowed to hold a hearing to consider prima facie speed limits.

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 545.357, Transportation Code, as follows:

Sec. 545.357. PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER SPEED LIMITS WHERE CERTAIN SCHOOLS ARE LOCATED. Requires the governing body of a municipality in which an institution of higher education as defined by Section 61.003(8) or (15), Education Code, among other schools, is located, to hold a public hearing to consider prima facie speed limits on a highway near the school or institution of higher education. Makes conforming changes.

SECTION 2. Emergency clause.

Effective date: 90 days after adjournment.

SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE CHANGES

Amendment 1.

Page 1, line 11, insert "(8) or (15)" between "61.003" and the comma.