

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

A recent review of highway access rules by the Texas Department of Transportation has raised concerns in local communities regarding the distance between curb cuts. As proposed, S.B. 1782 provides that the Texas Transportation Commission's orders under Section 203.031 (Control of Access) do not supersede a municipal ordinance adopted by a county with a population of 3.3 million or more or a municipality with a population of 1.5 million or more.

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 Section 203.032, Transportation Code, as follows:

- (a) Creates this subdivision out of existing text.
- (b) Prohibits the Texas Transportation Commission, notwithstanding Subsection (a), from adopting or enforcing an order under Section 203.031 that is applicable to highways located in a municipality with a population of 1.5 million or more, including a home-rule municipality, or in a county with a population of 3.3 million or more and is consistent with a highway access rule, ordinance, or minute order adopted by the governing body of the municipality or county.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2003.