

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **DIGEST AND PURPOSE**

Currently, Texas law designates certain highways from which an off-premise sign may not be visible. As proposed, S.B. 470 designates a portion of the Spring-Cypress Road in Harris County between State Highway 249 and Interstate Highway 45 as a scenic route and prohibits the erecting of an off-premise sign adjacent to and visible from that road.

### **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 Chapter 251A, Transportation Code, by adding Section 251.0135, as follows:

Sec. 251.0135. SPECIAL DESIGNATION OF ROADS. Provides that Spring-Cypress Road in Harris County between State Highway 249 and Interstate Highway 45 is a scenic route. Requires the Harris County Commissioners Court to design and construct markers indicating the road as a scenic route and place them at either end and along the route as the commissioners court deems appropriate.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 391.252(a), Transportation Code, to prohibit a person from erecting an off-premise sign adjacent to and visible from Spring-Cypress Road between State Highway 249 and Interstate Highway 45. Makes nonsubstantive changes.

SECTION 3. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2003.