BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Currently, a county or school district board is authorized to allow a parent to designate a child-care facility or a grandparent's residence as one of the regular locations for transportation to and from the child's school, if the location is on an approved route. However, some school districts have chosen not to honor a parent's request to have a child access transportation at a grandparent's home or child-care facility.

S.B. 1713 requires a county or school district to allow a parent to designate a grandparent's residence or child-care facility for the purpose of accessing transportation to and from the child's school if the location is on an approved route.

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 34.007(b), Education Code, to require, rather than authorize, the county or school district board, in establishing and operating the transportation system and on determining eligibility for transportation services, to allow a parent to designate a child-care facility or the residence of a grandparent as the regular location for purposes of obtaining transportation under the system to and from the child's school, if the location is an approved stop on an approved route.

SECTION 2. Makes application of this Act prospective to the 2007-2008 school year.

SECTION 3. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2007.