

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

S.B. 274, 83rd Legislature, Regular Session, amended the Transportation Code to expand the portions of two state highways within Chambers County for which the county is authorized to issue oversize/overweight permits for loads, including the frontage road of State Highway 99. During the construction of the Grand Parkway 99 some have raised questions as to what is considered the designation of frontage road to State Highway 99, specifically from Cedar Bayou Bridge to Interstate 10 (I-10), which is currently designated as main lanes during the construction. H.B. 2778 clarifies the designations of the roadways eligible for an issuance of a permit within Chambers County.

As proposed, S.B. 1291 amends current law relating to permits for oversize and overweight vehicles in a certain county.

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 623.252(b), Transportation Code, as follows:

(b) Authorizes a permit issued under this subchapter (Chamber County Permits) to authorize:

(1) the transport of cargo only on certain roads in Chambers County, including State Highway 99, including the frontage road of State Highway 99 and the portion of the frontage road located in the Cedar Crossing Business and Industrial Park, other than a tolled segment of State Highway 99, between the crossing of State Highway 99 with Cedar Bayou and its intersection with Interstate Highway 10 (I-10), rather than the frontage road of State Highway 99 between its crossing with Cedar Bayou and its intersection with I-10, including the portion of the frontage road located in the Cedar Crossing Business and Industrial Park. Makes nonsubstantive changes; and

(2) makes no changes to this subsection.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2017.