

CHAPTER 448

H.B. No. 1895

AN ACT

relating to escrow accounts for the prepayment of fees required for permits authorizing the transportation of a vehicle and its load or a combination of vehicles and load exceeding legal size and weight limitations.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. (a) DEFINITIONS. (1) "Permit" means any permit issued by the Texas Department of Transportation, in accordance with law, authorizing the transportation of a vehicle and its load or a combination of vehicles and load that exceed legal size and weight limitations.

(2) "Department" means the Texas Department of Transportation.

(b) ESCROW ACCOUNTS. The department may establish escrow accounts within the state highway fund for the prepayment of permit fees which shall be administered in accordance with an agreement containing such terms and conditions as may be agreeable to the department, including, but not limited to, such fees as may be established by the department for the administration of this Act. The department shall deposit fees imposed under this section in the state treasury to the credit of the state highway fund. The fees may be appropriated only to the department for purposes of administering this Act.

SECTION 2. The importance of this legislation and the crowded condition of the calendars in both houses create an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each house be suspended, and this rule is hereby suspended.

Passed by the House on April 30, 1993, by a non-record vote; passed by the Senate on May 26, 1993: Yeas 30, Nays 0.

Approved June 6, 1993.

Effective Aug. 30, 1993, 90 days after date of adjournment.