

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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S.B. 2227  
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### **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

Oversize-overweight vehicle corridors allow for more efficient and time-saving transport for commercial trucks. In return for this convenience, commercial truck companies pay a fee for an overweight truck permit, which is collected by the county regional mobility authority (RMA). A small percentage of the fee is retained by the RMA while the rest is used for highway maintenance. Unfortunately, due to the increase in brokers using the current system to register for permits, the Hidalgo RMA is forced to use extensive staff time to assist with, troubleshoot, and correct input errors.

S.B. 2227 increases the fee for permits that the Hidalgo County RMA may assess for an individual seeking an oversize-overweight permit in Hidalgo County. The administrative percentage is not adjusted by the bill, but an increase will allow for more funds to be used on maintenance.

S.B. 2227 amends current law relating to an increase in the fee for permits issued for the movement of oversize or overweight vehicles carrying cargo in Hidalgo 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 623.364(a), Transportation Code, to prohibit the maximum amount of the fee for permits issued under this subchapter (Regional Mobility Authority Permits) from exceeding \$200 per trip beginning September 1, 2017, rather than from exceeding \$80 per trip beginning September 1, 2013.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2017.