

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST

Currently, the Pleasantville neighborhood in Houston is seeking the installation of a noise abatement sound barrier wall to be installed along the west side of Interstate Highway 610. This bill requires the Texas Department of Transportation to erect sound barrier walls along certain sections of Interstate 610 in Houston.

PURPOSE

As proposed, S.B. 789 requires the Texas Department of Transportation to erect sound barrier walls along certain sections of Interstate 610 in Houston.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Requires the Texas Department of Transportation to erect sound barrier walls along the west side of Interstate 610 in Houston, with specific boundaries. Requires the sounds barrier to be designed to reduce highway noise for residences located in the vicinity of Interstate 610 on certain streets in Houston.

SECTION 2. Emergency clause.
Effective date: upon passage.