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H.B. No. 522

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the designation of Celebration of Life Day as a state
3 holiday.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 1.006(f)(2), Election Code, is amended
6 to read as follows:

7 (2) "State holiday" means a state holiday under
8 Sections 662.003(b)(1) through (7) [~~(6)~~], Government Code.

9 SECTION 2. Section 662.003(b), Government Code, is amended
10 to read as follows:

11 (b) A state holiday includes only the following days:

12 (1) the 19th day of January, "Confederate Heroes Day,"
13 in honor of Jefferson Davis, Robert E. Lee, and other Confederate
14 heroes;

15 (2) the second day of March, "Texas Independence Day";

16 (3) the 21st day of April, "San Jacinto Day";

17 (4) the 19th day of June, "Emancipation Day in Texas,"
18 in honor of the emancipation of the slaves in Texas in 1865;

19 (5) the 24th day of June, "Celebration of Life Day";

20 (6) [~~(5)~~] the 27th day of August, "Lyndon Baines
21 Johnson Day," in observance of the birthday of Lyndon Baines
22 Johnson;

23 (7) [~~(6)~~] the Friday after Thanksgiving Day;

24 (8) [~~(7)~~] the 24th day of December; and

1 (9) [~~(8)~~] the 26th day of December.

2 SECTION 3. Section 662.021, Government Code, is amended to
3 read as follows:

4 Sec. 662.021. DATES OF HOLIDAYS. A legal holiday includes
5 only the following days:

6 (1) a national holiday under Section 662.003(a); and

7 (2) a state holiday under Sections 662.003(b)(1)
8 through (7) [~~(6)~~].

9 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2023.