BILL ANALYSIS

DIGEST AND PURPOSE

The name Phantom Warriors has special significance to Fort Hood, the current home of III Corps. Highway 195 is a primary route used by Fort Hood to access Interstate 35 and the coast during deployments. C.S.S.B. 233 designates a portion of Highway 195 from the southern municipal boundary of Florence to the end of Highway 195 in Killeen as the Phantom Warriors Highway in recognition of the soldiers at III Corps and Fort Hood. This bill also calls for name markers at each end of the highway and at any appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

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 Chapter 225B, Transportation Code, by adding Section 225.049, as follows:

> Sec. 225.049. PHANTOM WARRIORS HIGHWAY. (a) Provides that State Highway 195 from Interstate Highway 35 to the terminus of State Highway 195 in Killeen is designated as the Phantom Warriors Highway.
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> > (b) Requires the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to design and construct markers indicating the highway number, the designation as the Phantom Warriors Highway, and any other appropriate information.
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> > (c) Requires TxDOT to erect a marker at each end of the highway and at any appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.
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> > (d) Provides that in this section, a reference to Interstate Highway 35 or to the terminus of State Highway 95 in Killeen means the interstate highway and terminus as they existed on January 1, 2003.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2003.

SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE CHANGES

SECTION 1. Amends As Filed S.B. 233, proposed Section 225.049(a), to change the phrase "the southern municipal boundary of Florence" to "Interstate Highway 35." Makes a conforming change in Section 225.049(d).