1   AN ACT

2   relating to a program to designate historic roads and highways in

3   this state.

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

5   SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 442, Government Code, is

6   amended by adding Section 442.025 to read as follows:

7   Sec. 442.025. TEXAS HISTORIC ROADS AND HIGHWAYS PROGRAM.

8   (a) The commission shall cooperate with the Texas Department of

9   Transportation to establish a program for the identification,

10   designation, interpretation, and marketing of Texas historic roads

11   and highways.

12   (b) The designation of a road or highway under a program

13   established under this section is not, and may not be considered to

14   be, a designation under the National Historic Preservation Act (16

15   U.S.C. Section 470 et seq.).

16   (c) To supplement revenue available for the program, the

17   commission and the Texas Department of Transportation may pursue

18   federal funds dedicated to highway enhancement for the program.

19   (d) The Texas Department of Transportation is not required

20   to construct or erect a marker under this section unless a grant or

21   donation of funds is made to cover the cost of the design,

22   construction, and erection of the marker. Money received to cover

23   the cost of a marker under this subsection shall be deposited to the

24   credit of the state highway fund.

1   SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2009.

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   President of the Senate   Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2642 was passed by the House on April 28, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 149, Nays 0, 1 present, not voting; and that the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 2642 on May 29, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 143, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

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           Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2642 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 26, 2009, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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           Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

          Date

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          Governor