

BILL ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 3208
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Transportation
Committee Report (Substituted)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

U.S. Highway 80 runs through the town of Sunnyvale, Texas. Currently, this stretch of highway is unnamed outside of its Highway 80 designation. The town of Sunnyvale wishes to honor veterans of the United States military by designating Highway 80 in Sunnyvale as a "Blue Star Memorial Highway." C.S.H.B. 3208 seeks to honor their wishes by providing for the designation.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 3208 amends the Transportation Code to designate U.S. Highway 80 in the town of Sunnyvale as a Blue Star Memorial Highway. The bill requires the Texas Department of Transportation, subject to the availability of funds, to design and construct markers indicating the designation as a Blue Star Memorial Highway and any other appropriate information and to erect a marker at each end of the highway and at appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2011.

COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE

C.S.H.B. 3208 omits a specification included in the original that the markers required to be designed and constructed by the Texas Department of Transportation indicate the highway number. The substitute differs from the original in nonsubstantive ways.