

**BILL ANALYSIS**

C.S.H.B. 679  
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Transportation  
Committee Report (Substituted)

**BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

Carolyn S. Jones has served the municipality of Winnsboro for many years. Among her various roles, she has served as an educator and as mayor for almost 12 years, a tenure longer than any other Winnsboro mayor. City officials and residents would like to show their appreciation for someone who has done so much for their community. C.S.H.B. 679 seeks to celebrate and honor Carolyn S. Jones for her service to Winnsboro.

**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. 679 amends the Transportation Code to designate the portion of State Highway 37 in Wood County between its intersection with Farm-to-Market Road 515 and its intersection with State Highway 11 as the Carolyn S. Jones Highway, in addition to any other designation. The bill requires the Texas Department of Transportation, subject to a grant or donation of funds, to design and construct markers indicating the designation as the Carolyn S. Jones 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, 2013.

**COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE**

While C.S.H.B. 679 may differ from the original in minor or nonsubstantive ways, the following comparison is organized and highlighted in a manner that indicates the substantial differences between the introduced and committee substitute versions of the bill.

INTRODUCED	HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE
SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 225, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 225.091 to read as follows: <u>Sec. 225.091. CAROLYN S. JONES HIGHWAY. (a) Notwithstanding Section 225.001(c), the portion of State Highway 37 in Wood County between its intersection with Farm-to-Market Road 515 and its intersection with State Highway 11 is</u>	SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 225, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 225.091 to read as follows: <u>Sec. 225.091. CAROLYN S. JONES HIGHWAY. (a) Notwithstanding Section 225.001(c), the portion of State Highway 37 in Wood County between its intersection with Farm-to-Market Road 515 and its intersection with State Highway 11 is</u>

designated as the Carolyn S. Jones Highway. The designation is in addition to any other designation.

(b) Subject to Section 225.021(c), the department shall:

(1) design and construct markers indicating the highway number, the designation as the Carolyn S. Jones Highway, and any other appropriate information; and

(2) erect a marker at each end of the highway and at appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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(1) design and construct markers indicating the designation as the Carolyn S. Jones Highway and any other appropriate information; and

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SECTION 2. Same as introduced version.