BILL ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 938 By: Hughes Defense & Veterans' Affairs Committee Report (Substituted)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Army Staff Sergeant Chauncy Mays from Mount Pleasant, Texas, served three tours and was deployed with the 705th Explosive Ordnance Disposal Company in support of Operation Enduring Freedom when he was killed in action on February 28, 2011, in Afghanistan while defusing an improvised explosive device.

C.S.H.B. 938 seeks to designate a portion of Farm-to-Market Road 2348 in Titus County, just a few miles from his home, as the Army Staff Sergeant Chauncy Mays Memorial Highway.

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. 938 amends the Transportation Code to designate the portion of Farm-to-Market Road 2348 in Titus County between its intersection with U.S. Highway 67 and its intersection with State Highway 49 as the Army Staff Sergeant Chauncy Mays Memorial Highway in addition to any other designation. The bill requires the Texas Department of Transportation, subject to a receipt of a grant or donation of funds, to design and construct markers indicating the designation as the Army Staff Sergeant Chauncy Mays 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, 2013.

COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE

While C.S.H.B. 938 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

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 225, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 225.091 to read as follows:

Sec. 225.091. ARMY STAFF SERGEANT CHAUNCY MAYS MEMORIAL

HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

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- HIGHWAY. (a) Notwithstanding Section 225.001(c), the portion of Farm-to-Market Road 2348 in Titus County between its intersection with U.S. Highway 67 and its intersection with State Highway 49 is designated as the Army Staff Sergeant Chauncy Mays Memorial 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 Army Staff Sergeant Chauncy Mays Memorial 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.

- HIGHWAY. (a) Notwithstanding Section 225.001(c), the portion of Farm-to-Market Road 2348 in Titus County between its intersection with U.S. Highway 67 and its intersection with State Highway 49 is designated as the Army Staff Sergeant Chauncy Mays Memorial 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 designation as the Army Staff Sergeant Chauncy Mays Memorial 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. Same as introduced version.

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