

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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C.S.S.B. 1314  
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Transportation  
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Committee Report (Substituted)

### **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

The Hispanic community in Fort Worth has a rich tradition of community service and has long embraced the organizing efforts of Cesar Chavez. During the decade before his death in 1993, Chavez visited Fort Worth on three occasions. He was honored for his work as a champion of this community and working people everywhere. In 1994, Chavez was posthumously awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom to honor his notable service against injustice to workers.

C.S.S.B. 1314 honors Cesar Chavez by designating a portion of the IH-35 corridor, which dissects the City of Fort Worth from north to south through many Hispanic neighborhoods, as Cesar Chavez Memorial Freeway.

C.S.S.B. 1314 amends current law relating to the designation of a portion of Interstate Highway 35W as the Cesar Chavez Memorial Freeway.

### **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 Subchapter B, Chapter 225, Transportation Code, by adding Section 225.0431, as follows:

Sec. 225.0431. CESAR CHAVEZ MEMORIAL FREEWAY. (a) Designates Interstate Highway 35W between Interstate Highway 20 and State Highway 183 as the Cesar Chavez Memorial Freeway. Provides that the designation is in addition to any other designation.

(b) Requires the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), subject to Section 225.021(c) (relating to providing that TxDOT is not required to design, construct, or erect a marker under this subchapter unless certain conditions are met), to design and construct memorial markers indicating the designation as the Cesar Chavez Memorial Freeway and any other appropriate information, and erect a marker at each end of the highway and at appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2013.