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H.B. No. 150

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the display of flags at half-staff at the Capitol
3 building to honor service members killed in action.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 443.024, Government Code, is amended by
6 adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

7 (e) The flag of the State of Texas and the flag of the United
8 States shall be flown at half-staff at the Capitol building on the
9 death of a member of the armed forces of the United States who was a
10 resident of this state and who was killed in action. The flags shall
11 be displayed at half-staff for one day following the date the
12 person's family is notified of the person's death. The office of the
13 governor shall notify the State Preservation Board of the days on
14 which flags shall be flown at half-staff under this subsection.

15 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
16 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
17 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
18 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
19 Act takes effect September 1, 2013.