

1-1 By: Hinojosa S.B. No. 1373
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed March 7, 2013; March 18, 2013, read
1-3 first time and referred to Committee on Veteran Affairs and
1-4 Military Installations; March 28, 2013, reported favorably by the
1-5 following vote: Yeas 5, Nays 0; March 28, 2013, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-8	Van de Putte	X		
1-9	Birdwell	X		
1-10	Campbell	X		
1-11	Davis	X		
1-12	Rodriguez	X		

1-13 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
1-14 AN ACT

1-15 relating to the display of the Honor and Remember flag.
1-16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
1-17 SECTION 1. Subchapter A, Chapter 2165, Government Code, is
1-18 amended by adding Section 2165.0061 to read as follows:
1-19 Sec. 2165.0061. DISPLAY OF HONOR AND REMEMBER FLAG.
1-20 (a) In this section, "Honor and Remember flag" means the Honor and
1-21 Remember, Inc. flag.
1-22 (b) The Honor and Remember flag shall be displayed at each
1-23 state office building on:
1-24 (1) the third Saturday in May, "Armed Forces Day";
1-25 (2) the last Monday in May, "Memorial Day";
1-26 (3) the 14th day of June, "Flag Day";
1-27 (4) the fourth day of July, "Independence Day";
1-28 (5) the third Friday in September, "National POW/MIA
1-29 Recognition Day";
1-30 (6) the last Sunday in September, "Gold Star Mother's
1-31 Day";
1-32 (7) the 11th day in November, "Veterans Day"; and
1-33 (8) whenever a resident of this state is a state
1-34 military casualty.
1-35 SECTION 2. The Honor and Remember flag is designated as the
1-36 symbol of our state's concern and commitment to honoring and
1-37 remembering the lives of all members of the United States armed
1-38 forces who have lost their lives while serving or as a result of
1-39 service and the symbol of our state's commitment to honoring their
1-40 families.
1-41 SECTION 3. The Honor and Remember flag's red field
1-42 represents the blood shed by the brave men and women who sacrificed
1-43 their lives for freedom, and the flag's white field is in
1-44 recognition of the purity of that sacrifice. The flag's blue star
1-45 is a symbol of active service in military conflict that dates back
1-46 to World War I. The flag's gold star signifies the ultimate
1-47 sacrifice of a warrior in active service who is not returning home
1-48 and reflects the value of the life given. The folded flag element
1-49 highlights this nation's final tribute to a fallen service member
1-50 and a family's sacrifice. The flag's flame symbolizes the eternal
1-51 spirit of the departed.
1-52 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

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