### **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 598 By: Clardy Transportation Committee Report (Unamended)

#### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

Fans of country and rockabilly music want to recognize the contributions of Texan Robert Glynn "Bob" Luman to American music. Given his familiar chart-topping tunes and various honors, including induction into the Rockabilly Hall of Fame and the Texas Country Music Hall of Fame, these parties stress the importance of further celebrating Luman's achievements with a special designation. H.B. 598 seeks to honor Bob Luman with the designation of the Bob Luman Memorial Highway.

# **CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT**

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

### **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**

H.B. 598 amends the Transportation Code to designate the portion of State Highway 21 in Nacogdoches County between its intersection with County Road 511 and its intersection with Farm-to-Market Road 95 as the Bob Luman Memorial 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 Bob Luman 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, 2015.

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