BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Nearly two years ago, Chris Kyle tragically lost his life while assisting a United States Marine Corps veteran. His death marked the end of a life distinguished by service to his fellow man and to the United States. H.B. 1187 seeks to honor the memory of Kyle and to recognize his service to the country.

H.B. 1187 amends the Transportation Code to designate the portion of U.S. Highway 287 in Midlothian between its intersection with Rex Odom Drive and its intersection with Kimble Road as the Chris Kyle Memorial Highway, in addition to any other designation.

H.B. 1187 amends current law relating to the designation of a segment of U.S. Highway 287 in Midlothian as the Chris Kyle Memorial Highway.

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 225.102, as follows:

Sec. 225.102. CHRIS KYLE MEMORIAL HIGHWAY. (a) Provides that the portion of U.S. Highway 287 in Midlothian between its intersection with Rex Odom Drive and its intersection with Kimble Road is designated as the Chris Kyle Memorial Highway. Provides that the designation is in addition to any other designation.

(b) Requires the Texas Department of Transportation, subject to Section 225.021(c) (relating to certain funding for the construction of markers) to:

(1) design and construct markers indicating the designation as the Chris Kyle 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. Effective date: September 1, 2015.