By: Campbell, et al.<br/>(King of Taylor)S.B. No. 1824Substitute the following for S.B. No. 1824:S.S.B. No. 1824By: BlancoC.S.S.B. No. 1824

## A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

## AN ACT

2 relating to a study and report on the awarding of the Texas
3 Legislative Medal of Honor.

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

5 SECTION 1. (a) The standing committees of both houses of 6 the legislature with primary jurisdiction over military and 7 veterans affairs shall conduct a joint study on the nomination and 8 selection process for the award of the Texas Legislative Medal of 9 Honor. The study must evaluate:

10 (1) the military tradition for a medal of honor and 11 methods to ensure that the Texas Legislative Medal of Honor upholds 12 that military tradition;

13 (2) how a service member is nominated and methods to 14 ensure that the service member is nominated based only on the merit 15 of the service performed by the service member; and

16 (3) a process by which the adjutant general may 17 evaluate the qualifications of nominees for the Texas Legislative 18 Medal of Honor.

(b) Not later than December 1, 2016, the standing committees of both houses of the legislature with primary jurisdiction over military and veterans affairs shall jointly submit to the governor, the lieutenant governor, and the legislature a written report that summarizes the findings of the study conducted under Subsection (a) of this section.

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1 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives 2 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as 3 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this 4 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this 5 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.