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| BILL ANALYSIS |

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| H.B. 918 |
| By: Schubert |
| Transportation |
| Committee Report (Unamended) |

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| **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**  Interested parties note the distinguished career, service, and sacrifices of Ronnie Dodds during World War II and as sheriff of Lavaca County. H.B 918 seeks to honor the legacy of Mr. Dodds, including his passion to serve, with a memorial highway designation in his name. |
| **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. 918 amends the Transportation Code to designate the portion of Alternate U.S. Highway 90 in Lavaca County from the eastern municipal limits of Shiner to the western municipal limits of Hallettsville as the Sheriff Ronnie Dodds Memorial Highway. 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 Sheriff Ronnie Dodds 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, 2017. |