**BILL ANALYSIS**

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| Senate Research Center | S.B. 1732 |
|  | By: Birdwell |
|  | Transportation |
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**AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

Clifton Taylor was an officer at the Johnson County Sheriff's Office. He responded to a disturbance call in aid of another officer. Deputy Taylor unfortunately succumbed to his injuries in the line of duty. He loved his job serving the community and had fun doing it.

This bill would honor Deputy Clifton Taylor by designating a portion of I-35W in Johnson County as the Clifton Taylor Memorial Highway. It states that markers along the highway will show this designation. These markers will be erected at each end of the highway and at the appropriate intermediate sites along the highway. (Original Author's / Sponsor's Statement of Intent)

S.B. 1732 amends current law relating to the designation of a portion of Interstate Highway 35W in Johnson County as the Deputy Clifton Taylor 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 225.123, as follows:

Sec. 225.123. DEPUTY CLIFTON TAYLOR MEMORIAL HIGHWAY. (a) Provides that the portion of Interstate Highway 35W in Johnson County between its intersection with U.S. Highway 67 and East Hidden Creek Parkway is designated as the Deputy Clifton Taylor Memorial Highway.

(b) Requires the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), subject to Section 225.021(c) (relating to prohibiting TxDOT from designing, constructing, or erecting a marker unless a grant or donation of funds is made to cover the cost), to design and construct markers indicating the designation as the Deputy Clifton Taylor Memorial Highway and any other appropriate information, and erect a marker at each end of the highway and at appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2017.