

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 216  
By: Springer  
Transportation  
Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

Interested parties note the distinguished life of Henry H. King of Bryson, Texas, whose triumphs during his service in World War II include surviving horrors such as the Bataan Death March, confinement as a prisoner of war, and forced labor in Japanese coal mines. These parties also note Mr. King's accomplishments after returning stateside, such as graduating from the University of North Texas, excelling in his career at Texas Instruments and Motorola, and caring for ill family members. H.B. 216 seeks to honor Mr. King's selfless service to his country, his community, and his family 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. 216 amends the Transportation Code to designate the portion of U.S. Highway 380 from the municipal limits of Graham in Young County east to the municipal limits of Bryson in Jack County as the Henry H. King 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 Henry H. King 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**

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2017.