

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Navy SEAL Chris Kyle, known as the "American Sniper," is considered one of the most lethal snipers in United States history and, following retirement, dedicated his efforts to helping his fellow veterans transition back into civilian life. H.B. 1483 designates a portion of State Highway 191 in Ector County as the Chris Kyle Memorial Highway in an effort to educate West Texans and those that visit the Permian Basin of the impact and sacrifice that he made in service to this country and to his fellow veterans throughout his life.

As proposed, H.B. 1483 amends current law relating to the designation of State Highway 191 in Ector County 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 225.123, as follows:

Sec. 225.123. CHRIS KYLE MEMORIAL HIGHWAY. (a) Provides that the portion of State Highway 191 in Ector County is designated as the Chris Kyle 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 TxDOT to cover the cost of the design, construction, and erection of the marker) to design and construct markers indicating the designation as the Chris Kyle 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.