

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

H.B. 2809  
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Culture, Recreation & Tourism  
Committee Report (Unamended)

### **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**

Interested parties note a need to recognize the heritage of the Texas Rangers and to honor the men and women who serve as rangers by making certain persons who served as rangers eligible for burial in the State Cemetery. H.B. 2809 seeks to provide for such eligibility.

### **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. 2809 amends the Government Code to include among the persons eligible for burial in the State Cemetery an honorably retired Texas Ranger who served at least 10 years as a commissioned officer of the Texas Rangers, a commissioned officer of the Texas Rangers who dies in office after 10 years of service as a Texas Ranger, and a commissioned officer of the Texas Rangers who died in the line of duty.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

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