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H.B. No. 724

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the designation of Remember the Alamo Day as a state holiday.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 1.006(f)(2), Election Code, is amended to read as follows:

(2) "State holiday" means a state holiday under Sections 662.003(b)(1) through (7) [~~(6)~~], Government Code.

SECTION 2. Section 662.003(b), Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) A state holiday includes only the following days:

(1) the 19th day of January, "Confederate Heroes Day," in honor of Jefferson Davis, Robert E. Lee, and other Confederate heroes;

(2) the second day of March, "Texas Independence Day";

(3) the sixth day of March, "Remember the Alamo Day";

(4) the 21st day of April, "San Jacinto Day";

(5) [~~(4)~~] the 19th day of June, "Emancipation Day in Texas," in honor of the emancipation of the slaves in Texas in 1865;

(6) [~~(5)~~] the 27th day of August, "Lyndon Baines Johnson Day," in observance of the birthday of Lyndon Baines Johnson;

(7) [~~(6)~~] the Friday after Thanksgiving Day;

(8) [~~(7)~~] the 24th day of December; and

1 (9) [~~(8)~~] the 26th day of December.

2 SECTION 3. Section 662.021, Government Code, is amended to
3 read as follows:

4 Sec. 662.021. DATES OF HOLIDAYS. A legal holiday includes
5 only the following days:

6 (1) a national holiday under Section 662.003(a); and

7 (2) a state holiday under Sections 662.003(b)(1)
8 through (7) [~~(6)~~].

9 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.