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H.B. No. 2809

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT
2 relating to the eligibility of certain Texas Rangers for burial in
3 the state cemetery.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 2165.256(d), Government Code, is amended
6 to read as follows:

7 (d) Persons eligible for burial in the State Cemetery are:

8 (1) a former member of the legislature or a member who
9 dies in office;

10 (2) a former elective state official or an elective
11 state official who dies in office;

12 (3) a former state official or a state official who
13 dies in office who has been appointed by the governor and confirmed
14 by the senate and who served at least 10 years in the office to which
15 appointed;

16 (4) a person specified by a governor's proclamation,
17 subject to review and approval by the committee under Subsection
18 (e);

19 (5) a person specified by a concurrent resolution
20 adopted by the legislature, subject to review and approval by the
21 committee under Subsection (e); and

22 (6) a person specified by order of the committee under
23 Subsection (e).

24 (7) an honorably retired Texas Ranger who served at

1 least 10 years as a commissioned officer of the Texas Rangers or a
2 commissioned officer of the Texas Rangers who dies in office after
3 10 years of service as a Texas Ranger or a commissioned officer of
4 the Texas Rangers died in the line of duty.

5 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
6 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
7 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
8 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
9 Act takes effect September 1, 2017.