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| BILL ANALYSIS |

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| H.B. 540 |
| By: Leach |
| Transportation |
| Committee Report (Unamended) |

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| **BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE**  There have been calls to honor and recognize the life and legacy of David Sherrard, a fallen police officer whose selfless service enriched his community and protected its residents. H.B. 540 seeks to provide for this recognition 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. 540 amends the Transportation Code to designate the portion of U.S. Highway 75 in Richardson as the Officer David Sherrard 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 Officer David Sherrard 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**  September 1, 2019. |