BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

The Purple Heart Trail pays tribute to the men and women who have been awarded the Purple Heart medal by creating a visual reminder to those who use the road system that others have paid a high price for their freedom to travel and live in a free society. There are currently designated sections in 45 states as well as Guam. I-35 running through Bell County is already designated as a part of the trail.

S.B. 2156 would add the portion of Interstate Highway 14 running through Bell County to the Purple Heart Trail. Funding would come from private sources.

As proposed, S.B. 2156 amends current law relating to the designation of the part of Interstate Highway 14 in Bell County as a portion of the national Purple Heart Trail.

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 Section 225.0225(a), Transportation Code, as follows:

(a) Includes the part of Interstate Highway 14 in Bell County among the list of highways designated as the Texas portion of the national Purple Heart Trail. Makes nonsubstantive changes.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2019.