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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the burial of convict leasing victims and the establishment of a convict leasing victims memorial museum.

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

SECTION 1.  Subchapter A, Chapter 442, Government Code, is amended by adding Sections 442.033 and 442.034 to read as follows:

Sec. 442.033.  CONVICT LEASING VICTIM BURIAL TREATMENT PLAN. The commission shall develop a comprehensive burial treatment plan for the remains of the 95 convict leasing victims discovered in 2018 at the site of the former Imperial State Prison Farm in Sugar Land.

Sec. 442.034.  CONVICT LEASING VICTIMS MEMORIAL MUSEUM. (a) The commission shall establish a convict leasing victims memorial museum to educate the public about the history and aftereffects of convict leasing in this state.

(b)  The commission shall employ a historian and other personnel to administer the museum.

(c)  The commission may solicit and accept gifts, donations, and grants of money or property from any public or private source to be used for the purposes of this section.

SECTION 2.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.