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H.B. No. 2428

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1
2 relating to the burial of convict leasing victims and the
3 establishment of a convict leasing victims memorial museum.

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

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

7 Sec. 442.033. CONVICT LEASING VICTIM BURIAL TREATMENT PLAN.

8 The commission shall develop a comprehensive burial treatment plan
9 for the remains of the 95 convict leasing victims discovered in 2018
10 at the site of the former Imperial State Prison Farm in Sugar Land.

11 Sec. 442.034. CONVICT LEASING VICTIMS MEMORIAL MUSEUM. (a)

12 The commission shall establish a convict leasing victims memorial
13 museum to educate the public about the history and aftereffects of
14 convict leasing in this state.

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

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

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