

# SENATE AMENDMENTS

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H.B. No. 3512

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to highway memorial signs for certain deceased peace officers.

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

SECTION 1. Subtitle B, Title 6, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Chapter 227 to read as follows:

CHAPTER 227. STATE TROOPER HIGHWAY MEMORIAL SIGNS

SUBCHAPTER A. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 227.001. GENERAL PROVISIONS. (a) The department shall design, construct, repair, and replace each memorial sign required by this chapter and maintain the grounds for the memorial sign.

(b) The department shall accept a grant or donation made to assist in financing the construction and maintenance of a memorial sign.

(c) The department may not design, construct, or erect a memorial sign under this chapter unless a grant or donation of funds is made to the department to cover the cost of the design, construction, and erection of the memorial sign.

(d) Money received under Subsection (b) shall be deposited to the credit of the state highway fund.

Sec. 227.002. NUMBER OF SIGNS. For each memorial sign required under this chapter, the department may place one or more signs in the location provided for that sign.

1       Sec. 227.003. DEPARTMENT CHANGES TO SIGNS. The department  
2 in coordination with the Department of Public Safety may make  
3 nonsubstantive changes regarding the appropriate name and  
4 appearance of a memorial sign under this chapter.

5                   SUBCHAPTER B. MEMORIAL SIGNS

6       Sec. 227.051. TROOPER MOISES SANCHEZ. On or near the  
7 portion of Interstate Highway 69C in Hidalgo County between its  
8 intersection with Farm-to-Market Road 1925 and its intersection  
9 with Trenton Road, the department shall place a memorial sign in  
10 honor of Trooper Moises Sanchez.

11       Sec. 227.052. TROOPER TROY HOGUE. On or near the portion of  
12 Interstate Highway 20 in Howard County between mile marker 173 and  
13 mile marker 190, the department shall place a memorial sign in honor  
14 of Trooper Troy Hogue.

15       Sec. 227.053. CORPORAL WILLIE DALE TAYLOR. On or near the  
16 portion of Interstate Highway 10 in Crockett County between mile  
17 marker 363 and mile marker 368, the department shall place a  
18 memorial sign in honor of Corporal Willie Dale Taylor.

19       Sec. 227.054. TROOPER JAVIER ARANA JR. On or near the  
20 portion of State Highway Loop 375 in El Paso County between mile  
21 marker 41 and mile marker 44, the department shall place a memorial  
22 sign in honor of Trooper Javier Arana Jr.

23       Sec. 227.055. SERGEANT WILLIAM J. KUHNLE JR. AND TROOPER  
24 RALPH G. ZERDA. On or near the portion of United States Highway 90  
25 in Bexar County between its intersection with State Highway 211 and  
26 its intersection with Montgomery Road, the department shall place a  
27 memorial sign in honor of Sergeant William J. Kuhnle Jr. and Trooper

1 Ralph G. Zerda.

2 Sec. 227.056. TROOPER RICHARD DALE COTTLE. On or near the  
3 portion of Interstate Highway 35 in McLennan County between mile  
4 marker 341 and mile marker 351, the department shall place a  
5 memorial sign in honor of Trooper Richard Dale Cottle.

6 Sec. 227.057. TROOPER TIMOTHY WADE MCDERMOTT. On or near  
7 the portion of United States Highway 80 in Gregg and Harrison  
8 Counties between its intersection with United States Highway 259  
9 and its intersection with State Loop 281, the department shall  
10 place a memorial sign in honor of Trooper Timothy Wade McDermott.

11 Sec. 227.058. TROOPER MARK JEFFREY PHEBUS. On or near the  
12 portion of Farm-to-Market Road 1774 in Montgomery County between  
13 its intersection with Misty Meadow Drive and its intersection with  
14 Hunters Road, the department shall place a memorial sign in honor of  
15 Trooper Mark Jeffrey Phebus.

16 Sec. 227.059. TROOPER DAVID IRVINE RUCKER. On or near the  
17 portion of State Highway 100 in Cameron County between its  
18 intersection with Farm-to-Market Road 523 and its intersection with  
19 Farm-to-Market Road 3069, the department shall place a memorial  
20 sign in honor of Trooper David Irvine Rucker.

21 Sec. 227.060. TROOPER CHAD M. WALKER. At or near the  
22 intersection of State Highway 164 and Farm-to-Market Road 1953 in  
23 Limestone County, the department shall place a memorial sign in  
24 honor of Trooper Chad M. Walker.

25 Sec. 227.061. TROOPER DANIEL HIGDON. At or near mile marker  
26 571 of Interstate Highway 20 in Smith County, the department shall  
27 place a memorial sign in honor of Trooper Daniel Higdon.

1 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

ADOPTED

By: Carroll/Schwartz MAY 27 2021

H.B. No. 3512

Substitute the following for H. Bates Law  
S. of the Senate NO. 3512:

By: [Signature]

C.S. H. B. No. 3512

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the designation of portions of the state highway system as memorial highways for certain deceased peace officers.

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

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 225, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Sections 225.190, 225.191, 225.192, 225.193, 225.194, 225.195, 225.196, 225.197, 225.198, 225.199, and 225.200 to read as follows:

Sec. 225.190. TROOPER CHAD M. WALKER MEMORIAL HIGHWAY. (a)  
The portion of State Highway 164 in Limestone County between its intersection with Farm-to-Market Road 1953 and its intersection with County Road 789 is designated as the Trooper Chad M. Walker Memorial Highway. The designation is in addition to any other designation.

(b) Subject to Section 225.021(c), the department shall:

(1) design and construct markers indicating the designation as the Trooper Chad M. Walker Memorial Highway and any other appropriate information; and

(2) erect a marker at each end of the highway and at appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

Sec. 225.191. TROOPER MOISES SANCHEZ MEMORIAL HIGHWAY. (a)  
The portion of Interstate Highway 69C in Hidalgo County between its intersection with Farm-to-Market Road 1925 and its intersection with Trenton Road is designated as the Trooper Moises Sanchez

1 Memorial Highway. The designation is in addition to any other  
2 designation.

3 (b) Subject to Section 225.021(c), the department shall:

4 (1) design and construct markers indicating the  
5 designation as the Trooper Moises Sanchez Memorial Highway and any  
6 other appropriate information; and

7 (2) erect a marker at each end of the highway and at  
8 appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

9 Sec. 225.192. TROOPER TROY HOGUE MEMORIAL HIGHWAY. (a) The  
10 portion of Interstate Highway 20 in Howard County between mile  
11 marker 173 and mile marker 190 is designated as the Trooper Troy  
12 Hogue Memorial Highway. The designation is in addition to any other  
13 designation.

14 (b) Subject to Section 225.021(c), the department shall:

15 (1) design and construct markers indicating the  
16 designation as the Trooper Troy Hogue Memorial Highway and any  
17 other appropriate information; and

18 (2) erect a marker at each end of the highway and at  
19 appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

20 Sec. 225.193. CORPORAL WILLIE DALE TAYLOR MEMORIAL HIGHWAY.

21 (a) The portion of Interstate Highway 10 in Crockett County between  
22 mile marker 363 and mile marker 368 is designated as the Corporal  
23 Willie Dale Taylor Memorial Highway. The designation is in  
24 addition to any other designation.

25 (b) Subject to Section 225.021(c), the department shall:

26 (1) design and construct markers indicating the  
27 designation as the Corporal Willie Dale Taylor Memorial Highway and

1 any other appropriate information; and

2 (2) erect a marker at each end of the highway and at  
3 appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

4 Sec. 225.194. TROOPER JAVIER ARANA JR. MEMORIAL HIGHWAY.

5 (a) The portion of State Highway Loop 375 in El Paso County between  
6 mile marker 41 and mile marker 44 is designated as the Trooper  
7 Javier Arana Jr. Memorial Highway. The designation is in addition  
8 to any other designation.

9 (b) Subject to Section 225.021(c), the department shall:

10 (1) design and construct markers indicating the  
11 designation as the Trooper Javier Arana Jr. Memorial Highway and  
12 any other appropriate information; and

13 (2) erect a marker at each end of the highway and at  
14 appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

15 Sec. 225.195. SERGEANT WILLIAM KUHNLE JR. AND TROOPER RALPH

16 G. ZERDA MEMORIAL HIGHWAY. (a) The portion of United States  
17 Highway 90 in Bexar County between its intersection with State  
18 Highway 211 and its intersection with Montgomery Road is designated  
19 as the Sergeant William Kuhnle Jr. and Trooper Ralph G. Zerda  
20 Memorial Highway. The designation is in addition to any other  
21 designation.

22 (b) Subject to Section 225.021(c), the department shall:

23 (1) design and construct markers indicating the  
24 designation as the Sergeant William Kuhnle Jr. and Trooper Ralph G.  
25 Zerda Memorial Highway and any other appropriate information; and

26 (2) erect a marker at each end of the highway and at  
27 appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

1           Sec. 225.196. TROOPER RICHARD DALE COTTLE MEMORIAL HIGHWAY.

2   (a) The portion of Interstate Highway 35 in McLennan County between  
3 mile marker 341 and mile marker 351 is designated as the Trooper  
4 Richard Dale Cottle Memorial Highway. The designation is in  
5 addition to any other designation.

6           (b) Subject to Section 225.021(c), the department shall:

7           (1) design and construct markers indicating the  
8 designation as the Trooper Richard Dale Cottle Memorial Highway and  
9 any other appropriate information; and

10           (2) erect a marker at each end of the highway and at  
11 appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

12           Sec. 225.197. TROOPER TIMOTHY WADE MCDERMOTT MEMORIAL  
13 HIGHWAY. (a) The portion of United States Highway 80 in Gregg and  
14 Harrison Counties between its intersection with United States  
15 Highway 259 and its intersection with State Loop 281 is designated  
16 as the Trooper Timothy Wade McDermott Memorial Highway. The  
17 designation is in addition to any other designation.

18           (b) Subject to Section 225.021(c), the department shall:

19           (1) design and construct markers indicating the  
20 designation as the Trooper Timothy Wade McDermott Memorial Highway  
21 and any other appropriate information; and

22           (2) erect a marker at each end of the highway and at  
23 appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

24           Sec. 225.198. TROOPER MARK JEFFREY PHEBUS MEMORIAL HIGHWAY.

25   (a) The portion of Farm-to-Market Road 1774 in Montgomery County  
26 between its intersection with Misty Meadow Drive and its  
27 intersection with Hunters Road is designated as the Trooper Mark

1 Jeffrey Phebus Memorial Highway. The designation is in addition to  
2 any other designation.

3 (b) Subject to Section 225.021(c), the department shall:

4 (1) design and construct markers indicating the  
5 designation as the Trooper Mark Jeffrey Phebus Memorial Highway and  
6 any other appropriate information; and

7 (2) erect a marker at each end of the highway and at  
8 appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

9 Sec. 225.199. TROOPER DAVID IRVINE RUCKER MEMORIAL HIGHWAY.

10 (a) The portion of State Highway 100 in Cameron County between its  
11 intersection with Farm-to-Market Road 523 and its intersection with  
12 Farm-to-Market Road 3069 is designated as the Trooper David Irvine  
13 Rucker Memorial Highway. The designation is in addition to any  
14 other designation.

15 (b) Subject to Section 225.021(c), the department shall:

16 (1) design and construct markers indicating the  
17 designation as the Trooper David Irvine Rucker Memorial Highway and  
18 any other appropriate information; and

19 (2) erect a marker at each end of the highway and at  
20 appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

21 Sec. 225.200. TROOPER DANIEL HIGDON MEMORIAL HIGHWAY. (a)

22 The portion of Interstate Highway 20 in Smith County between mile  
23 marker 571 and mile marker 575 is designated as the Trooper Daniel  
24 Higdon Memorial Highway. The designation is in addition to any  
25 other designation.

26 (b) Subject to Section 225.021(c), the department shall:

27 (1) design and construct markers indicating the

1 designation as the Trooper Daniel Higdon Memorial Highway and any  
2 other appropriate information; and  
3 (2) erect a marker at each end of the highway and at  
4 appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

5 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**

**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 87TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 27, 2021**

**TO:** Honorable Dade Phelan, Speaker of the House, House of Representatives

**FROM:** Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB3512** by Canales (Relating to the designation of portions of the state highway system as memorial highways for certain deceased peace officers.), **As Passed 2nd House**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend Subchapter B, Chapter 225, Transportation Code, to require the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to design, construct, and erect highway markers designating specific portions of the state highway system as memorial highways for certain deceased peace officers.

Based on the information provided by TxDOT, it is assumed any costs or duties associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within the agency's existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 601 Department of Transportation

**LBB Staff:** JMc, CMA, AAL, TG

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 87TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 17, 2021**

**TO:** Honorable Robert Nichols, Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation

**FROM:** Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE:** **HB3512** by Canales (relating to the designation of portions of the state highway system as memorial highways for certain deceased peace officers.), **Committee Report 2nd House, Substituted**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend Subchapter B, Chapter 225, Transportation Code, to require the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to design, construct, and erect highway markers designating specific portions of the state highway system as memorial highways for certain deceased peace officers.

Based on the information provided by TxDOT, it is assumed any costs or duties associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within the agency's existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 601 Department of Transportation

**LBB Staff:** JMc, AAL, TG

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 87TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 14, 2021**

**TO:** Honorable Robert Nichols, Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation

**FROM:** Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB3512** by Canales (Relating to highway memorial signs for certain deceased peace officers.), **As Engrossed**

<b>No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.</b>
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The bill would amend the Transportation Code by adding Chapter 227, relating to state trooper memorial signs, to require the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to place memorial signs at certain highway locations in honor of state troopers specified by the bill. The bill would require TxDOT to accept a grant or donation to assist in financing the construction and maintenance of a memorial sign and would prohibit TxDOT from designing, constructing, or erecting a memorial sign unless a grant or donation is made to TxDOT to cover the costs. The bill would authorize TxDOT to coordinate with the Department of Public Safety (DPS) to make nonsubstantive changes regarding the appropriate name and appearance of a memorial sign under Chapter 227.

Based on the analysis provided by TxDOT, it is assumed any costs or duties associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within the agency's existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 405 Department of Public Safety, 601 Department of Transportation

**LBB Staff:** JMc, AAL, TG

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 87TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**  
**Revision 1**

**April 22, 2021**

**TO:** Honorable Terry Canales, Chair, House Committee on Transportation

**FROM:** Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB3512** by Canales (relating to highway memorial signs for certain deceased peace officers.),  
**Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend the Transportation Code by adding Chapter 227, relating to state trooper memorial signs, to require the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to place memorial signs at certain highway locations in honor of state troopers specified by the bill. The bill would require TxDOT to accept a grant or donation to assist in financing the construction and maintenance of a memorial sign and would prohibit TxDOT from designing, constructing, or erecting a memorial sign unless a grant or donation is made to TxDOT to cover the costs. The bill would authorize TxDOT to coordinate with the Department of Public Safety (DPS) to make nonsubstantive changes regarding the appropriate name and appearance of a memorial sign under Chapter 227.

Based on the analysis provided by TxDOT, it is assumed any costs or duties associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within the agency's existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 405 Department of Public Safety, 601 Department of Transportation

**LBB Staff:** JMc, AAL, TG

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
**Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 87TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**April 16, 2021**

**TO:** Honorable Terry Canales, Chair, House Committee on Transportation

**FROM:** Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB3512** by Canales (relating to highway memorial signs for certain deceased peace officers.),  
**Committee Report 1st House, Substituted**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend the Transportation Code by adding Chapter 227, relating to state trooper memorial signs, to require the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to place memorial signs at certain highway locations in honor of state troopers specified by the bill. The bill would authorize TxDOT to coordinate with the Department of Public Safety (DPS) to make nonsubstantive changes regarding the appropriate name and appearance of a memorial sign under Chapter 227.

TxDOT would be responsible for the costs to design, construct, and erect memorial signs at each location specified by the bill. Based on the analysis provided by TxDOT, it is assumed any costs or duties associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within the agency's existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 405 Department of Public Safety, 601 Department of Transportation

**LBB Staff:** JMc, AAL, TG

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
Austin, Texas

**FISCAL NOTE, 87TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

April 9, 2021

**TO:** Honorable Terry Canales, Chair, House Committee on Transportation

**FROM:** Jerry McGinty, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE:** **HB3512** by Canales (Relating to the designation of portions of the state highway system as memorial highways for certain deceased peace officers.), **As Introduced**

**No significant fiscal implication to the State is anticipated.**

The bill would amend Subchapter B, Chapter 225, Transportation Code, to require the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to design, construct, and erect highway markers naming specific portions or segments of state highway.

Based on the information provided by TxDOT, it is assumed any costs or duties associated with implementing the provisions of the bill could be absorbed within the agency's existing resources.

**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 601 Department of Transportation

**LBB Staff:** JMc, AAL, TG