**BILL ANALYSIS**

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**AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

Currently, there is not a day honoring the military service of members in the U.S. special operations forces. H.B. 2499 seeks to establish a state holiday to commemorate and celebrate the sacrifices of special forces service members.

H.B. 2499 amends current law relating to designating June 28 as Special Forces Day.

**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 Subchapter C, Chapter 662, Government Code, by adding Section 662.085, as follows:

Sec. 662.085. SPECIAL FORCES DAY. (a) Provides that June 28 is Special Forces Day in honor of the men and women who have served in the special operations forces of the United States armed forces.

(b) Requires that Special Forces Day be regularly observed by appropriate ceremonies.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2023.