

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 2499
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Defense & Veterans' Affairs
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

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.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

ANALYSIS

H.B. 2499 amends the Government Code to designate June 28 as Special Forces Day in honor of the men and women who have served in the special operations forces of the U.S. armed forces. The bill requires Special Forces Day to be regularly observed by appropriate ceremonies.

EFFECTIVE DATE

On passage, or, if the bill does not receive the necessary vote, September 1, 2023.