## **BILL ANALYSIS**

Senate Research Center 89R6249 MCK-F H.B. 1875 By: Lopez, Janie et al. (Flores) Veteran Affairs 5/13/2025 Engrossed

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

H.B. 1875 requires the General Land Office (GLO), in coordination with the Texas Veterans Commission, to study obstacles Texas veterans face in accessing a burial plot in a veterans cemetery in Texas and opportunities to address the operational needs of veterans cemeteries in Texas, including locations, maintenance, and other operational needs of veterans cemeteries.

Not later than April 1, 2026, GLO must submit to the lieutenant governor, speaker of the house of representatives, and chairs of the house and senate committees with primary jurisdiction over veterans affairs a written report summarizing the results of the study and providing recommendations for legislative or other action. The bill's provisions expire September 1, 2027.

H.B. 1875 amends current law relating to a study by the General Land Office regarding veterans cemeteries in this state.

## **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. (a) Requires the General Land Office (GLO) in coordination with the Texas Veterans Commission to study obstacles veterans in this state face in accessing a burial plot in a veterans cemetery in this state and opportunities to address the operational needs of veterans cemeteries in this state, including locations, maintenance, and other operational needs of veterans cemeteries.
  - (b) Requires GLO, not later than April 1, 2026, to submit to the lieutenant governor, speaker of the house of representatives, and chairs of the house and senate committees with primary jurisdiction over veterans affairs a written report summarizing the results of the study conducted under this Act and providing recommendations for legislative or other action.
  - (c) Provides that this Act expires September 1, 2027.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2025.