

BILL ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 1187
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Defense & Veterans' Affairs
Committee Report (Substituted)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Nearly two years ago, Chris Kyle tragically lost his life while assisting a U.S. Marine Corps veteran. His death marked the end of a life distinguished by service to his fellow man and to the United States. C.S.H.B. 1187 seeks to honor the memory of Kyle and to recognize his service to the country.

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

C.S.H.B. 1187 amends the Transportation Code to designate the portion of U.S. Highway 287 in Midlothian between its intersection with Rex Odom Drive and its intersection with Kimble Road as the Chris Kyle Memorial Highway, in addition to any other designation. The bill requires the Texas Department of Transportation, subject to a grant or donation of funds, to design and construct markers indicating the designation as the Chris Kyle Memorial Highway and any other appropriate information and to erect a marker at each end of the highway and at appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2015.

COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE

While C.S.H.B. 1187 may differ from the original in minor or nonsubstantive ways, the following comparison is organized and formatted in a manner that indicates the substantial differences between the introduced and committee substitute versions of the bill.

INTRODUCED

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 225, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 225.102 to read as follows:
Sec. 225.102. CHRIS KYLE AND CHAD

HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 225, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 225.102 to read as follows:
Sec. 225.102. CHRIS KYLE MEMORIAL

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15.103.561

Substitute Document Number: 84R 19754

LITTLEFIELD HIGHWAY. (a)
Notwithstanding Section 225.001(c), the
portion of U.S. Highway 287 in Midlothian
between its intersection with Rex Odom
Drive and its intersection with Kimble Road
is designated as the Chris Kyle and Chad
Littlefield 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 Chris Kyle and Chad
Littlefield 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.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect
September 1, 2015.

HIGHWAY. (a)

The portion of U.S. Highway 287 in
Midlothian between its intersection with
Rex Odom Drive and its intersection with
Kimble Road is designated as the Chris
Kyle 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 Chris Kyle 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.

SECTION 2. Same as introduced version.