

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Some citizens who have made important contributions to the State of Texas have been recognized by the state by having their names place on certain landmarks. Charles K. Devall owned several Northeast Texas newspapers, including the Kilgore News Herald, which he published from 1940 to 1979. He also served as the president of the North & East Texas Press Association in 1937. Mr. Devall took part in the 33 year roadway improvement project to bypass Gregg and Rusk counties called the Kilgore relief route which is expected to be completed this year. H.B. 3433 designates a portion of United States Highway 259 Relief Route as the Charles K. Devall Memorial Highway.

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 Chapter 225B, Transportation Code, by adding Section 225.046, as follows:

Sec. 225.046. CHARLES K. DEVALL MEMORIAL HIGHWAY. Provides that the portion of United States Highway 259 Relief Route from 4/10 mile south of the northern Kilgore municipal boundary to 7/10 mile south of the southern Kilgore municipal boundary is designated as the Charles K. Devall Memorial Highway. Requires the department to design and construct memorial markers indicating the highway number, the designation as the Charles K. Devall Memorial Highway, and any other appropriate information. Requires the department to erect a marker at each end of the highway and at appropriate intermediate sites along the highway. Provides that in this section, a reference to the Kilgore municipal boundary means that boundary as it exists on January 1, 2001.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2001.