BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, the State of Texas has not commemorated the role the state played in America's victory in the Cold War. This bill designates Farm-to-Market Road 604 as the Atlas ICBM Highway to commemorate the contributions made to the Cold War by the Convair Atlas International Ballistic Missiles and the men and women who built and operated them. This bill also sets for the responsibilities of the Texas Department of Transportation in respect to marking the 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 225.044, as follows:

Section 225.044. ATLAS ICBM HIGHWAY. (a) Provides that Farm-to-Market Road 604 from State Highway 351 in Shackelford County to U.S. Highway 83 in Taylor County is designated as the Atlas ICBM Highway.

(b) Requires the Texas Department of Transportation (department) to design and construct markers indicating the highway number, the designation as the Atlas ICBM Highway, and any other appropriate information.

(c) Requires the department to erect a marker at each end of the highway and at appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

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