

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Army Staff Sergeant Chauncy Mays from Mount Pleasant, Texas, served three tours and was deployed with the 705th Explosive Ordnance Disposal Company in support of Operation Enduring Freedom when he was killed in action on February 28, 2011, in Afghanistan while defusing an improvised explosive device.

H.B. 938 designates a portion of Farm-to-Market Road 2348 in Titus County, just a few miles from his home, as the Army Staff Sergeant Chauncy Mays Memorial Highway. The Texas Department of Transportation will be required, subject to a receipt of a grant or donation of funds, to design and construct markers indicating the designation as the Army Staff Sergeant Chauncy Mays Memorial Highway and other appropriate information and to erect a marker at each end of the highway and at appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

H.B. 938 amends current law relating to the designation of a segment of Farm-to-Market Road 2348 in Titus County as the Army Staff Sergeant Chauncy Mays 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 Subchapter B, Chapter 225, Transportation Code, by adding Section 225.091, as follows:

Sec. 225.091. ARMY STAFF SERGEANT CHAUNCY MAYS MEMORIAL HIGHWAY. (a) Designates, notwithstanding Section 225.001(c) (relating to authorizing a part of the highway system to be designated by the name of a person only if the person is deceased and was significant in a certain way), the portion of Farm-to-Market Road 2348 in Titus County between its intersection with U.S. Highway 67 and its intersection with State Highway 49 as the Army Staff Sergeant Chauncy Mays Memorial Highway. Provides that the designation is in addition to any other designation.

(b) Requires the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), subject to Section 225.021(c) (relating to TxDOT is not required to design, construct, or erect a marker unless a grant of funds is made to TxDOT to cover the cost), to design and construct markers indicating the designation as the Army Staff Sergeant Chauncy Mays Memorial Highway and any other appropriate information and erect a marker at each end of the highway and at appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2013.