

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 917
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Transportation
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties note the tragic passing of Sergeant David M. Furrh, who dedicated his life to serving his community through the sheriff's office and as a paramedic. H.B. 917 seeks to recognize Sergeant Furrh and his honorable service with a memorial highway designation in his name.

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

H.B. 917 amends the Transportation Code to designate the portion of State Highway 95 in Lavaca County from the northern municipal limits of Shiner to the southern municipal limits of Moulton as the Sergeant David M. Furrh Memorial Highway. 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 Sergeant David M. Furrh 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, 2017.