

BILL ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 2615
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Transportation
Committee Report (Substituted)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

There have been calls to honor the life and service of Bobby Vicha, a veteran of the Waco Police Department. C.S.H.B. 2615 seeks to provide this recognition by designating a portion of U.S. Highway 84 as the Waco Police Sgt. Bobby Vicha Memorial Highway.

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. 2615 amends the Transportation Code to designate the portion of U.S. Highway 84 in McLennan County between its intersection with Farm-to-Market Road 1330 and its intersection with North Vicha Road as the Waco Police Sgt. Bobby Vicha 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 Waco Police Sgt. Bobby Vicha 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, 2019.

COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE

While C.S.H.B. 2615 may differ from the original in minor or nonsubstantive ways, the following summarizes the substantial differences between the introduced and committee substitute versions of the bill.

The substitute changes the designation name from the Waco Police Sergeant Bobby Vicha Memorial Highway to the Waco Police Sgt. Bobby Vicha Memorial Highway.