

- SUBJECT:** Designating the Officer David Sherrard Memorial Highway
- COMMITTEE:** Transportation — favorable, without amendment
- VOTE:** 10 ayes — Canales, Landgraf, Bernal, Y. Davis, Hefner, Leman, Martinez, Raney, Thierry, E. Thompson
- 0 nays
- 3 absent — Goldman, Krause, Ortega
- WITNESSES:** For — Paul Voelker, City of Richardson Texas; Jimmy Spivey, Richardson Police Department; (*Registered, but did not testify*: Terrence Rhodes, Dallas Police Department; Jessica Anderson, Houston Police Department; Gary Tittle, Richardson Police Department and Texas Police Chiefs Association; Christopher Lutton, San Antonio Police Department; Clint Stevens, Texas Municipal Police Association; Nicole Sherrad)
- Against — None
- On — Michael Lee, TxDOT
- BACKGROUND:** Transportation Code, sec. 225 allows part of the highway system to be designated by the name of a deceased person who was significant in the state's history or in the lives of Texans. The Department of Transportation may not design or erect markers unless the cost is covered by donations.
- DIGEST:** HB 540 would designate a portion of U.S. Highway 75 that crosses Richardson as the Officer David Sherrard Memorial Highway.
- The bill would take effect September 1, 2019.
- SUPPORTERS SAY:** HB 540 would allow the city of Richardson to memorialize Officer David Sherrard, who gave his life in the line of duty while answering a domestic disturbance call. He served 13 years with the Richardson Police Department, more than 10 of which were with the SWAT team.

OPPONENTS No concerns identified.
SAY: