

## **BILL ANALYSIS**

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### **AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

On July 28th, 2014, Texas Military Forces were called to state active duty by Governor Perry to assist in the state's border security efforts. Within a few days, more than 2,000 state guard members volunteered to serve their state.

To date, the State of Texas has yet to honor its Texas National Guard or Texas State Guard Service members for their service in border operation: strong safety.

This bill would create a Texas Border Security Service Ribbon for select members and allow Texas the opportunity to formally recognize the service and sacrifice of those service members who served or will serve the state's ongoing border security efforts.

As proposed, S.B. 94 amends current law relating to a ribbon for certain members of the military forces who served in support of operations to secure the Texas border.

### **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. Reenacts Section 437.355(a), Government Code, as amended by Chapters 144 (H.B. 115) and 760 (H.B. 2108), Acts of the 84th Legislature, Regular Session, 2015, and amends it to include the Texas Border Security and Support Service Ribbon among the awards the governor or adjutant general are authorized to adopt policies and regulations relating to the awarding of, to be awarded to a member of the state military forces who served on or after July 28, 2014, on state active duty, and satisfactorily in support of operations to secure the Texas border. Makes nonsubstantive changes.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2017.