

BILL ANALYSIS

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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Texas Game Warden Ty Patterson, a native of Seguin, lost his life on May 30, 2007, while participating in a recovery operation. Patterson and his partner, Game Warden Danny Tuggle, were attempting to recover the body of a suspected drowning victim where the Paluxy River crosses Farm-to-Market 205 in Somervell County when their boat capsized in swift floodwaters. Game Warden Patterson courageously sacrificed his life to save his partner's. Accordingly, to honor Patterson's life and service, S.B. 396 would designate a portion of Interstate Highway 10 in Guadalupe County between its intersection with State Highway 123 and State Highway 130 as the Texas Game Warden Teyran "Ty" Patterson Memorial Highway.

As proposed, S.B. 396 amends current law relating to the designation of a portion of Interstate Highway 10 in Guadalupe County as the Texas Game Warden Teyran "Ty" Patterson 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 225.123, as follows:

Sec. 225.123. TEXAS GAME WARDEN TEYRAN "TY" PATTERSON MEMORIAL HIGHWAY. (a) Establishes the portion of Interstate Highway 10 in Guadalupe County between its intersection with State Highway (SH) 123 and its intersection with SH 130 as the Texas Game Warden Teyran "Ty" Patterson Memorial Highway. Provides that this designation is in addition to any other designation.

(b) Requires the Texas Department of Transportation, subject to Section 225.021(c) (relating to funding the design, construction, and erection of a marker), to design and construct markers indicating the designation as the Texas Game Warden Teyran "Ty" Patterson Memorial Highway and any other appropriate information and erect a marker at each end of and at appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

SECTION 2. Effective date: upon passage or September 1, 2017.