

BILL ANALYSIS

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H.B. 2431
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AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT

Retired Marine Master Sergeant Rodney Lee Buentello was a Marine Corps veteran and a two-time Purple Heart recipient when he sacrificed his life to save two teens from drowning.

H.B. 2431 seeks to memorialize Master Sergeant Rodney Lee Buentello by designating a portion of State Highway 173 in Bandera County in his honor.

H.B. 2431 amends current law relating to the designation of a portion of State Highway 173 in Bandera County as the Master Sergeant Rodney Lee Buentello 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 225.190, as follows:

Sec. 225.190. MASTER SERGEANT RODNEY LEE BUENTELLO MEMORIAL HIGHWAY. (a) Provides that the portion of State Highway 173 in Bandera County from the south end of the bridge crossing the Medina River in the city of Bandera to the Medina County line is designated as the Master Sergeant Rodney Lee Buentello Memorial Highway. Provides that the designation is in addition to any other designation.

(b) Requires the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), subject to Section 225.021(c) (relating to prohibiting TxDOT from designing, constructing, or erecting a marker unless a grant or donation of funds is made to cover the cost), to design and construct markers indicating the designation as the Master Sergeant Rodney Lee Buentello Memorial Highway and any other appropriate information and erect a marker at each end of the highway and at appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

SECTION 2. Effective date: September 1, 2021.