

Chapter 255

H.B. No. 1303

1 AN ACT

2 relating to the designation of a portion of State Highway 71 in  
3 Wharton County as the Roy P. Benavidez Memorial Highway.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter B, Chapter 225, Transportation Code,  
6 is amended by adding Section 225.123 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 225.123. ROY P. BENAVIDEZ MEMORIAL HIGHWAY. (a) The  
8 portion of State Highway 71 in Wharton County between its  
9 intersection with the Colorado County line and Farm-to-Market Road  
10 2765 is designated as the Roy P. Benavidez Memorial Highway.

11 (b) Subject to Section 225.021(c), the department shall:

12 (1) design and construct markers indicating the  
13 designation as the Roy P. Benavidez Memorial Highway and any other  
14 appropriate information; and

15 (2) erect a marker at each end of the highway and at  
16 appropriate intermediate sites along the highway.

17 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

*Don Petrel*  
President of the Senate

*Joe Straus*  
Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1303 was passed by the House on May 4, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 143, Nays 0, 2 present, not voting.

*Robert Haney*  
Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 1303 was passed by the Senate on May 19, 2017, by the following vote: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

*Daisy Dawson*  
Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: 5-29-2017  
Date

*Greg Abbott*  
Governor

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SECRETARY OF STATE  
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MAY 29 2017  
Secretary of State

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Austin, Texas**

**FISCAL NOTE, 85TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**May 10, 2017**

**TO:** Honorable Robert Nichols, Chair, Senate Committee on Transportation

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB1303** by Stephenson (Relating to the designation of a portion of State Highway 71 in Wharton County as the Roy P. Benavidez Memorial Highway.), **As Engrossed**

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**Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 601 Department of Transportation

**LBB Staff:** UP, AG, TG, LBO

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**FISCAL NOTE, 85TH LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

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**TO:** Honorable Geanie W. Morrison, Chair, House Committee on Transportation

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