1-1 By: Flores S.B. No. 249 (In the Senate - Filed November 12, 2024; February 3, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Transportation; 1-2 1-3 1-4 April 7, 2025, reported adversely, with favorable Committee 1-5 Substitute by the following vote: Yeas 8, Nays 0; April 7, 2025, 1-6 sent to printer.)

COMMITTEE VOTE 1 - 7

1-8		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	Nichols	X			
1-10	West	X			
1-11	Bettencourt	X			
1-12	Hagenbuch	Χ			
1-13	Hinojosa of Hidalgo	X			
1-14	Johnson	X			
1-15	King			X	
1-16	Miles	X			
1-17	Perry	X			

1-18 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR S.B. No. 249 By: Hinojosa of Hidalgo

1-19 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1-20 AN ACT

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1-21 relating to memorial markers for certain officers killed in the line of duty.

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

SECTION 1. Section 225.021(c), Transportation Code, amended to read as follows:

(c) Except as provided by Section 225.0215, the [The] department may not design, construct, or erect a marker under this subchapter unless a grant or donation of funds is made to the department to cover the cost of the design, construction, and erection of the marker.

SECTION 2. Subchapter B, Chapter 225, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 225.0215 to read as follows:

Sec. 225.0215. MEMORIAL MARKERS FOR CERTAIN OFFICERS KILLED IN LINE OF DUTY. (a) This section applies only to a marker required under this subchapter designating a part of the highway system, including a bridge or street, for an individual killed in the line of duty who was:

(1) a law enforcement officer or peace officer for this state or a political subdivision of this state under Article 2A.001, Code of Criminal Procedure; or

(2) a federal law enforcement officer or special agent performing duties in this state, including those officers under Article 2A.002, Code of Criminal Procedure.

Notwithstanding Section 225.021(c), the department may design, construct, or erect a marker to which this section applies using:

money appropriated from the general revenue fund to the department for those purposes; and

1-48 1-49 (2) gifts, grants, and donations accepted by the department for those purposes. 1-50 1-51

This Act takes effect September 1, 2025. SECTION 3.

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