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*Bill Analysis*  
*Legislative Service Commission*

## **H.B. 364**

127th General Assembly

(As Reported by H. Infrastructure, Homeland Security and Veterans Affairs)

**Reps. Peterson, Combs, Book, Yuko, Evans, Hughes, Ujvagi, Yates, Fende, Stebelton, Oelslager, Bacon, Brown, Strahorn, Wagoner, Otterman, Letson, Domenick, Widowfield**

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### **BILL SUMMARY**

- Designates the portion of U.S. Route 23 commencing at the boundary of Franklin and Delaware counties and extending northward to the city of Delaware as the "Branch Rickey Memorial Highway" and authorizes the Director of Transportation to erect suitable markers along the highway indicating its name.

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### **CONTENT AND OPERATION**

Current law designates the entire length of United States Route 23 from Lucas County in the north to Scioto County in the south as the "United Spanish War Veterans Memorial Highway." Current law also designates the portion of U.S. Route 23 beginning in Wyandot County in the north and extending to Scioto County in the south as the "Scioto Trail." (Both are in R.C. 5533.05, not in the bill.) The bill provides that in addition to these existing designations, the portion of U.S. Route 23 commencing at the boundary of Franklin and Delaware counties and extending northward to the municipal corporation of Delaware is to be known as the "Branch Rickey Memorial Highway." The Director of Transportation is authorized to erect suitable markers along the highway indicating its name. (R.C. 5533.591.)

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### **COMMENT**

Branch Rickey (1881-1965) was born in Flat, Ohio. As an executive with the Brooklyn Dodgers, Rickey brought Jackie Robinson to play baseball for the Dodgers in 1947, thereby breaking baseball's then-existing color barrier.

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## **HISTORY**

ACTION	DATE
Introduced	10-25-07
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