



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

Bill Analysis

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- Reps.** Brown, Damschroder, Ruhl, Mallory, Celebrezze, DeVitis, Green, R. Hagan, Milkovich, Patmon, Perales, R. Adams, Anielski, Antonio, Baker, Barborak, Barnes, Beck, Blair, Blessing, Boose, Boyce, Buchy, Budish, Burkley, Butler, Carney, Clyde, Derickson, Dovilla, Driehaus, Duffey, Fedor, Foley, Gerberry, Grossman, Hackett, C. Hagan, Hall, Hayes, Heard, Henne, Hill, Hottinger, Huffman, Johnson, Kunze, Landis, Letson, Lundy, Lynch, Maag, McClain, O'Brien, Patterson, Pelanda, Pillich, Redfern, Reece, Retherford, Roegner, Rogers, Romanchuk, Rosenberger, Scherer, Schuring, Sears, Sheehy, Slaby, Sprague, Stautberg, Stebelton, Stinziano, Strahorn, Terhar, Wachtmann, Winburn, Batchelder
- Sens.** LaRose, Cafaro, Bacon, Balderson, Beagle, Brown, Burke, Coley, Eklund, Faber, Gardner, Gentile, Hite, Hughes, Jones, Jordan, Kearney, Lehner, Manning, Obhof, Oelslager, Patton, Peterson, Sawyer, Schaffer, Schiavoni, Seitz, Skindell, Smith, Tavares, Turner, Uecker, Widener

Effective date: March 23, 2015

ACT SUMMARY

- Designates 22 memorial highways and two memorial bridges, and modifies the location of one existing memorial highway.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Memorial highways and bridges

The act designates 22 memorial highways and two memorial bridges, and modifies the location of one existing memorial highway. In all cases, the Director of Transportation is authorized to erect suitable markers along each highway or on each bridge or its approaches, indicating its name. The designations the act makes are in addition to any other designation that may be in the Revised Code or elsewhere.

* This version reflects a Revised Code number change from R.C. 5533.812 to R.C. 5533.813.

"Captain Everett 'Butch' Keaton, Vietnam, SSM and BSM with OLC PH, Memorial Highway"

The act designates the portion of United States Route 23, running in a northerly and southerly direction within Pike County only, as the "Captain Everett 'Butch' Keaton, Vietnam, SSM and BSM with OLC PH, Memorial Highway."¹ United States Army Captain Everett 'Butch' Keaton died on January 20, 1970, in Vietnam from injuries he sustained when an enemy ground explosive device detonated.

"Staff Sergeant Wesley Williams Memorial Highway"

The act designates the portion of United States Route 40, commencing at the intersection of that route with North Medway-Carlisle Road and proceeding in a northeasterly direction to the intersection of that route and Lammes Lane in Clark County only, as the "Staff Sergeant Wesley Williams Memorial Highway."² United States Army Staff Sergeant Wesley Williams died on December 10, 2012, in Kandahar, Afghanistan, of wounds he suffered when his unit was attacked by enemy forces using an improvised explosive device.

"Captain Dennis Pintor Memorial Highway"

The act designates a portion of State Route 309, running in a northwesterly and southeasterly direction, commencing at the intersection of State Route 309 and Piquad Road and extending to the intersection of State Route 309 and Baty Road in Allen County only, as the "Captain Dennis Pintor Memorial Highway."³ United States Army Captain Dennis Pintor was killed on October 12, 2004, when an improvised explosive device detonated near his patrol vehicle in Baghdad, Iraq.

"U.S.M.C. LCpl. Daniel G. Zegarac Memorial Highway"

The act designates State Route 306 within the municipal corporation of Kirtland as the "U.S.M.C. LCpl. Daniel G. Zegarac Memorial Highway."⁴ United States Marine Corps Lance Corporal Daniel G. Zegarac died on April 11, 1967, from injuries he suffered from an enemy explosive while serving in the Vietnam War.

¹ R.C. 5533.053.

² R.C. 5533.255.

³ R.C. 5533.311.

⁴ R.C. 5533.464.



"Chief Petty Officer Raymond Border Memorial Highway"

The act designates the portion of United States Route 36, commencing at the intersection of that route and State Route 83, and proceeding in an easterly direction to the intersection of that United States route and State Route 93 within Coshocton County only, as the "Chief Petty Officer Raymond Border Memorial Highway."⁵ United States Navy Chief Petty Officer Raymond Border died on October 19, 2011, in Paktika province, Afghanistan, of wounds he suffered when he stepped out of a vehicle while assisting with a road inspection for a convoy and enemy forces detonated an improvised explosive device.

"Sgt. 1st Class Daniel B. Crabtree Memorial Road"

The act modifies the location of the existing "Sgt. 1st Class Daniel B. Crabtree Memorial Road" by providing that that memorial road is the portion of State Route 619 that commences at the eastern edge of Hartville and extends in a westerly direction to the intersection of that route and State Route 93 in Summit County, rather than the part of State Route 619 located solely within Hartville in Stark County as under prior law.⁶

"Staff Sergeant Bradley C. Hart Memorial Roadway"

The act designates the portion of State Route 65, running in a northeasterly and southwesterly direction in Wood County between the intersection of that route and Rockledge Drive and the intersection of that route with Bates Road, as the "Staff Sergeant Bradley C. Hart Memorial Roadway."⁷ United States Army Staff Sergeant Bradley C. Hart died on February 17, 2011, at his base at Camp Lemonnier, Djibouti, Africa, from injuries he sustained in a noncombat incident while performing his official military duties.

"Trooper Charles V. Vogel, Jr. Memorial Highway"

The act designates the portion of I-70 in Clark County, running in an easterly and westerly direction between mile marker 51 and mile marker 53, as the "Trooper Charles V. Vogel Memorial Highway."⁸ Ohio State Highway Patrol Trooper Charles V. Vogel died from injuries he suffered on January 24, 1980; he was struck by a car while

⁵ R.C. 5533.511.

⁶ R.C. 5533.636.

⁷ R.C. 5533.641.

⁸ R.C. 5533.679.



investigating a series of motor vehicle crashes at the junction of Interstate Route 70 and United States Route 68.

"Persian Gulf Veterans Bridge"

The act designates, as the "Persian Gulf Veterans Bridge," the bridge spanning the Mosquito Creek, located within the municipal corporation of Niles in Trumbull County and being part of the highway known as State Route 46 and State Route 169, and having a scheduled completion date of approximately November 2013.⁹

"Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans Bridge"

The act designates, as the "Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans Bridge," the bridge spanning the Mahoning River, located within the municipal corporation of Niles in Trumbull County and being part of the highway known as State Route 46, commencing at the intersection of that state route and West State Street southeast to the west of that state route and as East State Street southeast to the east of that state route, and proceeding in a southerly direction to the intersection of that state route and the road known as West First Street to the west of that state route and as East First Street to the east of that state route.¹⁰

"World War I Veterans Highway"

The act designates the portion of United States Route 20, commencing at the eastern-most boundary of the municipal corporation of Ashtabula and proceeding in a northeasterly direction to the western-most boundary of the municipal corporation of North Kingsville, as the "World War I Veterans Highway."¹¹

"Veterans Memorial Highway"

The act designates the following as the "Veterans Memorial Highway":

--The portion of State Route 43, commencing at the southern boundary of the city of Amsterdam and proceeding in a northerly direction within Amsterdam past the location where State Route 43 begins also to carry the designation State Route 164, and ending at the location where State Route 43 diverges in a northwesterly direction from State Route 164; and

⁹ R.C. 5533.781.

¹⁰ R.C. 5533.782.

¹¹ R.C. 5533.783.



--The portion of State Route 164, the portion within Amsterdam at the location where State Route 164 begins also to carry the designation State Route 43, and proceeding in a northerly direction to the southern boundary of the city of Bergholz.¹²

"U.S. Army Specialist Justin Helton Memorial Highway"

The act designates the portion of the road that carries the designations of State Routes 124 and 32, commencing at the intersection of that road and State Route 220 within Pike County and proceeding in an easterly direction to the boundary of Pike and Jackson Counties, as the "U.S. Army Specialist Justin Helton Memorial Highway."¹³ United States Army Specialist Justin Helton died on June 9, 2014, in Afghanistan from injuries he suffered in a friendly fire incident.

"Marine Sergeant James Prommersberger and Army Second Lieutenant Charles W. Brown Memorial Highway"

The act designates a portion of I-76, commencing at the intersection of I-76 with I-80 and proceeding in a southeasterly direction to the intersection of I-76 with State Route 11 in Mahoning County, as the "Marine Sergeant James Prommersberger and Army Second Lieutenant Charles W. Brown Memorial Highway."¹⁴ United States Marine Corps Sergeant James Prommersberger died on April 16, 1966, from injuries he suffered from hostile fire while serving in the Vietnam War. United States Army Second Lieutenant Charles W. Brown died on March 20, 1967, from injuries he suffered from hostile fire while serving in the Vietnam War.

"LCpl. Josh McDaniels Memorial Highway"

The act designates a portion of I-70, commencing at the interchange of that route and United States Route 42 within Madison County and proceeding in an easterly direction to the interchange of that route with I-270 within Franklin County, as the "LCpl. Josh McDaniels Memorial Highway."¹⁵ United States Marine Corps Lance Corporal Josh McDaniels died on June 12, 2011, while conducting combat operations in Helmand province, Afghanistan.

¹² R.C. 5533.813.

¹³ R.C. 5534.03.

¹⁴ R.C. 5534.04.

¹⁵ R.C. 5534.07.



"Specialist Angel L. Lopez Memorial Highway"

The act designates a portion of I-71, commencing at the location where I-71 passes over I-480 and proceeding in a northerly direction to the interchange of I-71 and West 150th Street within the municipal corporation of Cleveland only, as the "Specialist Angel L. Lopez Memorial Highway."¹⁶ United States Army Specialist Angel L. Lopez died October 5, 2013, in Zabul province, Afghanistan of wounds suffered when enemy forces attacked his unit.

"Navy Diver 1st Class James E. Reyher Memorial Highway"

The act designates the portion of State Route 147, running in a northeasterly and southwesterly direction in Noble County only, as the "Navy Diver 1st Class James E. Reyher Memorial Highway."¹⁷ United States Navy diver 1st Class James E. Reyher died on February 26, 2013, during a Navy training exercise at the Army test center in Aberdeen, Maryland.

"Cpl. James E. Blevins Memorial Highway"

The act designates the portion of State Route 7, running in a northerly and southerly direction from mile marker 32 to mile marker 28 in Jefferson County, as the "Cpl. James E. Blevins Memorial Highway."¹⁸ United States Marine Corps Corporal James E. Blevins died on March 30, 1967, from injuries he suffered from hostile fire while serving in the Vietnam War.

"Army Cpl. Nathan B. Carse Memorial Highway"

The act designates the portion of State Route 309, running in an easterly and westerly direction, commencing at the intersection of that road and South Phillips Road and extending to the intersection of that road and South Pavee Road in Allen County, as the "Army Cpl. Nathan B. Carse Memorial Highway."¹⁹ United States Army Corporal Nathan B. Carse died on February 8, 2011, in Kandahar province, Afghanistan, from wounds he suffered from the detonation of an enemy improvised explosive device.

¹⁶ R.C. 5534.08.

¹⁷ R.C. 5534.09.

¹⁸ R.C. 5534.10.

¹⁹ R.C. 5534.11.



"U.S.M.C. Lance Corporal Dustin R. Fitzgerald 'Dusty' Memorial Highway"

The act designates the portion of State Route 201, running in a northeasterly and southwesterly direction from the intersection of that route with Chambersburg Road and the intersection of that route with Taylorsville Road in the city of Huber Heights, as the "U.S.M.C. Lance Corporal Dustin R. Fitzgerald 'Dusty' Memorial Highway."²⁰ United States Marine Corps Lance Corporal Dustin R. Fitzgerald died on August 18, 2004, from injuries he suffered in a noncombat-related vehicle accident in Anbar province, Iraq.

"U.S. Army Private First Class James P. White, Jr. 'J.P.' Memorial Highway"

The act designates the portion of State Route 202, running in a northerly and southerly direction from the intersection of that route and Chambersburg Road to the intersection of that route and Taylorsville Road in the city of Huber Heights, as the "U.S. Army Private First Class James P. White, Jr. 'J.P.' Memorial Highway."²¹ United States Army Private First Class James P. White, Jr. died on October 11, 2006, from injuries he suffered from hostile fire in Nangalam, Afghanistan.

"Army Spc. Joseph 'Joey' Riley Memorial Highway"

The act designates the portion of I-71, commencing at the interchange of that interstate and United States Route 62, and proceeding in a northerly direction to the interchange of that Interstate and State Route 665, within Franklin County only, as the "Army Spc. Joseph 'Joey' Riley Memorial Highway."²² United States Army Specialist Joseph Riley died on November 24, 2014, from injuries he suffered when an enemy bomb exploded near his convoy.

"Patrolman Carl 'Shorty' Thrush Memorial Highway"

The act designates the portion of State Route 328 within Hocking County, commencing at the intersection of that route and United States Route 33 and proceeding in a southerly direction to the intersection of that route and State Route 56, as the "Patrolman Carl 'Shorty' Thrush Memorial Highway."²³ Patrolman Carl Thrush, a member of the Ohio State Highway Patrol, died in the line of duty in 1972 from injuries he suffered when he was involved in a motor vehicle accident in Vinton County.

²⁰ R.C. 5534.12.

²¹ R.C. 5534.13.

²² R.C. 5534.14.

²³ R.C. 5534.40.



"Officer Justin Winebrenner Memorial Highway"

The act designates the portion of United States Route 224, commencing at the western edge of the city of Barberton and proceeding in an easterly direction to the interchange of that route with I-77 in Summit County, as the "Officer Justin Winebrenner Memorial Highway."²⁴ Officer Justin Winebrenner, of the Akron Police Department, was killed on November 16, 2014, by a gunman while off duty.

"OSHP Sgt. John F. Best Memorial Highway"

The act designates the portion of United States Route 23, commencing at the intersection of that route and Wyandot County Road 42, and proceeding in a southerly direction to the intersection of that route and Wyandot County Road 44, as the "OSHP Sgt. John F. Best Memorial Highway."²⁵ Sergeant John F. Best was the first Ohio State Highway Patrol officer to die in the line of duty. The chief of OSHP radio operations at Findlay, in 1935 he was electrocuted while testing a receiving set at the broadcasting station.

HISTORY

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²⁴ R.C. 5534.41.

²⁵ R.C. 5534.42.

