

Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

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BILL: **S.B. 35** DATE: **September 18, 2007**
STATUS: **As Passed by the Senate** SPONSOR: **Sen. Goodman**
LOCAL IMPACT STATEMENT REQUIRED: **No — Permissive**
CONTENTS: **To designate Interstate Routes 70 and 71 as the "Purple Heart Trail"**

State Fiscal Highlights

| STATE FUND | FY 2008 | FY 2009 | FUTURE YEARS |
|--|---|---|---|
| Highway Operating Fund (Fund 002) | | | |
| Revenues | - 0 - | - 0 - | - 0 - |
| Expenditures | \$500 or more depending on the number of plaques or signs erected | Minimal increase to maintain plaques or signs | Minimal increase to maintain plaques or signs |

Note: The state fiscal year is July 1 through June 30. For example, FY 2007 is July 1, 2006 – June 30, 2007.

- The Ohio Department of Transportation may experience costs of \$500 or more to install plaques or signs along I-70 and I-71. Due to the length of these interstate highways it is unknown how many may actually be installed. There may also be future maintenance costs.

Local Fiscal Highlights

| LOCAL GOVERNMENT | FY 2007 | FY 2008 | FUTURE YEARS |
|-----------------------|--|---|---|
| Municipalities | | | |
| Revenues | - 0 - | - 0 - | - 0 - |
| Expenditures | \$500 to install a single plaque or set of signs | Minimal increase to maintain plaques or signs | Minimal increase to maintain plaques or signs |

Note: For most local governments, the fiscal year is the calendar year. The school district fiscal year is July 1 through June 30.

- A municipality may experience permissive costs of \$500 to install a single plaque or set of signs with portions of I-70 and I-71 running through its boundaries. There may also be future maintenance costs.



Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) may experience costs of \$500 or more to install memorial plaques or signs along I-70 and I-71. Currently, it costs approximately \$500 to manufacture, install, and maintain a single set of memorial plaques or signs at one location. Due to the length of I-70 and I-71, it is unknown how many plaques or signs the Department may choose to install.

When a bridge or highway is designated as a memorial, the Department's policy¹ is to first install a memorial plaque in a rest area, scenic overlook, recreational area, or other appropriate location. If this is not practical, a sign is installed along the highway instead. At one location two plaques or two signs are usually installed, one in each direction. ODOT installs plaques and signs in areas outside municipal boundaries, but within township boundaries.

Various municipalities with portions of I-70 and I-71 running through their boundaries may experience similar costs for installing and maintaining plaques or signs. Any costs incurred by municipalities are considered permissive.

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¹ Ohio Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways, 2003.