



# Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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## Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

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**Bill:** [Sub. H.B. 325 of the 129th G.A.](#)      **Date:** December 3, 2012  
**Status:** As Reported by Senate Highways & Transportation      **Sponsor:** Rep. Landis

**Local Impact Statement Procedure Required:** No

**Contents:** Designates various memorial highways

### State Fiscal Highlights

- The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) will incur minimal costs to the Highway Operating Fund (Fund 7002) to install and maintain markers along most of the designated memorial locations listed in the bill. If any of the municipalities in the bill opt to have ODOT supply the signs, they would be charged for the cost but would still be responsible for the cost of installation.

### Local Fiscal Highlights

- The cities containing designated memorial highways entirely within their borders would be responsible for the full cost of any signage for the memorial highways designated within their boundaries. Certain other cities and villages could also be responsible for the costs of signing certain portions of memorial highways that pass within their boundaries if they choose to place such signs.

## Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The bill designates 38 memorial highways on portions of various state routes, United States routes, and Interstate highways throughout Ohio. The following table summarizes these highways in the order that they appear in the bill, including the location of the highway and the entity responsible for paying any signage costs.

<b>Memorial Highway Designations in Sub. H.B. 325</b>			
<b>Designation</b>	<b>Road to be named</b>	<b>County (Municipality, if applicable)</b>	<b>Sign costs paid by</b>
Staff Sergeant Christopher L. Brown Memorial Highway	US-23	Franklin County (Columbus)	City of Columbus
Warren County Veterans Highway	US-42	Warren County (Waynesville, Lebanon, Mason)	ODOT/Village of Waynesville/City of Lebanon/City of Mason
Lance Corporal Daniel Nathan Deyarmin, Jr. Memorial Highway	I-76	Summit County (Akron, Tallmadge)	City of Akron/City of Tallmadge
Staff Sergeant Howard E. Woodford Medal of Honor Recipient Memorial Highway	SR-619	Summit County (Barberton)	City of Barberton
Lance Corporal Aaron Reed Memorial Highway	US-50 E	Ross County	ODOT
U.S. Army Staff Sergeant Lester O. Kinney, II Memorial Highway	US-22	Muskingum County (Zanesville)	City of Zanesville
Sergeant Dennis E. Kancler Memorial Highway	SR-82 E	Cuyahoga County (Broadview Heights)	City of Broadview Heights
Sergeant David Kreuter Memorial Highway	SR-264 E	Hamilton County	ODOT
Staff Sergeant Jesse Ault Memorial Highway	I-70	Belmont County	ODOT
First Lieutenant John Runkle Memorial Highway	I-71 N	Wayne County	ODOT
Master Sergeant Shawn T. Hannon Memorial Highway	I-71	Franklin County (Grove City)	ODOT
Sheriff's Lieutenant John P. Gisclon Memorial Highway	US-250 S	Ashland County (Bailey Lakes)	ODOT/Village of Bailey Lakes
Army Specialist Gavin Colburn Memorial Highway	SR-138 N	Ross County (Clarksburg)	ODOT/Village of Clarksburg
Air Force Master Sergeant Brad Clemmons Memorial Highway	County Rd. 104 S	Ross County (Chillicothe)	ODOT/City of Chillicothe
Lance Corporal Peter James Clore Memorial Highway	SR-39 E	Tuscarawas County (New Philadelphia)	ODOT/City of New Philadelphia
USMC Sergeant Daniel J. Patron Memorial Highway	SR-172 E	Stark County	ODOT
Staff Sergeant Joshua Gire Memorial Highway	SR-772 N	Ross County	ODOT

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USMC Lance Corporal Jonathan Etterling Memorial Highway	US-52	Scioto County (Portsmouth)	ODOT/City of Portsmouth
Master Sergeant Adam F. Benjamin Memorial Highway	SR-10 E	Lorain County	ODOT
Corporal Lucas C. Scott Memorial Highway	SR-41 N	Adams County (Peebles)	ODOT/Village of Peebles
Specialist William Seth Blevins Memorial Highway	US-62 E	Brown County	ODOT
First Lieutenant Ashley White-Stumpf Memorial Highway	SR-44	Stark County	ODOT
Sergeant Michael Barkey Memorial Highway	SR-21 S	Stark County	ODOT
Captain Daniel Stiles Memorial Highway	SR-619 E	Stark County	ODOT
Sergeant James L. Smith Memorial Highway	SR-416 S	Tuscarawas County	ODOT
Army Specialist Jesse Adam Snow Memorial Highway	SR-235	Greene County (Fairborn)	City of Fairborn
Private First Class Douglas E. Dickey Memorial Highway	SR-47 E	Darke County	ODOT
Deputy Suzanne Hopper Memorial Highway	I-70 E	Clark County	ODOT
Specialist Damon G. Winkleman Memorial Highway	SR-179 S	Ashland County (Hayesville)	ODOT/Village of Hayesville
Patrolman David L. Sterner Memorial Interchange	Interchange of SR-15 and SR-37	Hancock County	ODOT
Sergeant Brian Dulle Memorial Highway	US-42 E	Warren County	ODOT
U.S. Army Corporal Zachary Grass Memorial Highway	US-62 E	Stark County	ODOT
Lieutenant Jason S. Manse Memorial Highway	SR-172 W	Stark County	ODOT
Tuskegee Airmen Memorial Trail	I-75	Lucas, Wood, Hancock, Allen, Auglaize, Shelby, Miami, Montgomery, Warren, Butler, and Hamilton counties	ODOT
78th Ohio Veteran Volunteer Infantry Highway	SR-78	Monroe, Noble, Morgan, and Athens counties	ODOT
Captain Nicholas J. Rozanski Memorial Highway	SR-315	Franklin County (Columbus)	City of Columbus
Master Sergeant Jeffrey J. Rieck Memorial Highway	SR-315	Franklin County (Columbus)	City of Columbus

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Sergeant Mark T. Smykowski Memorial Highway	SR-84 E	Lake County (Mentor)	City of Mentor

The cost of signage to mark the highways is paid either by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) or the municipal corporation through which the roadway passes, pursuant to ODOT's Traffic Engineering Manual.<sup>1</sup> In most cases above, ODOT will be responsible for the costs of installing signs to mark the designated roads. In cases where municipal corporations contain designated memorial highways entirely within their boundaries, the municipalities would be responsible for reimbursing ODOT for all signage costs. In other cases, where only a portion of a designated memorial highway passes through a municipal corporation, ODOT and the involved municipalities may share the costs, as those designated highways are not entirely contained within municipal boundaries.

Overall, ODOT and the associated municipalities would incur no more than minimal costs to install signs on each of the designated memorial highways in the bill. According to ODOT, the cost to manufacture and install a single set of flatsheet signs at one location is approximately \$350 to \$400 per sign, depending on sign size and equipment needed. Once a set of signs is installed, there are typically no maintenance costs unless the signs are damaged. Signs are usually in need of replacement every 12 to 15 years. When a highway or bridge is designated as a memorial, ODOT's policy is to install a marker in a rest area, scenic overlook, recreational area, or other appropriate location. If this is not practical, a marker is installed along the highway or near the bridge instead. For highways designated in two directions, two markers are usually installed, one in each direction at each location.

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<sup>1</sup> Under ODOT's Traffic Engineering Manual, for memorial highways designated in Section 5533 of the Revised Code, municipalities that opt to install signs designating memorial highways are responsible for reimbursing ODOT for those signage costs on United States routes and state routes within their borders, while ODOT covers the costs of memorial highway signs outside municipal borders and Interstate highways within municipal borders.