Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: S.B. 132 of the 129th G.A. **Date**: March 30, 2011

Status: As Reported by Senate Highways & Transportation **Sponsor**: Sen. Patton

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Contents: Designates a future Interstate 90 bridge in Cuyahoga County as the "George V. Voinovich Bridge"

State Fiscal Highlights

- The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) will incur minimal costs to manufacture and install suitable markers for the second Interstate 90 Bridge that is to be built over the Cuyahoga River in Cuyahoga County. This Bridge, also known as one of the Inner Belt Bridges, will ultimately carry eastbound traffic once the bridge is completed sometime in calendar year (CY) 2016 or 2017.

Local Fiscal Highlights

- No direct fiscal effect on political subdivisions.

Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) will incur minimal costs to manufacture and install suitable markers for the second Interstate 90 Bridge that is to be built over the Cuyahoga River in Cleveland. This Bridge, also known as one of the Inner Belt Bridges, will ultimately carry eastbound traffic once the bridge is completed sometime in calendar year (CY) 2016 or 2017. Ohio's Traffic Engineering Manual directs the appropriate ODOT district to furnish and install signs for memorial highways or bridges on Interstate highways within municipal corporation limits established by the legislature in accordance with Chapter 5533. of the Revised Code.

Current costs to manufacture, install, and maintain a single set of flatsheet signs at one location are estimated to be about $600, depending on the size of the sign(s), equipment and materials needed to install them, and the frequency of maintenance. Once a set of signs is installed, typically there are no maintenance costs unless the signs are knocked down or damaged. Signs are usually in need of replacement every 12 to 15 years.

When a highway or bridge is designated as a memorial, the Department's policy is to first install a memorial 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 instead. Two markers are usually installed, one in each direction at each location.

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