



Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: [S.B. 222 of the 130th G.A.](#) **Date:** February 20, 2014
Status: As Reported by House Transportation, Public Safety, and Homeland Security **Sponsor:** Sen. LaRose

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Contents: Designates the Second Lieutenant David E. Rylander Memorial Highway

State Fiscal Highlights

- The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) could incur costs of approximately \$350 to \$400 per sign to provide appropriate markers along the memorial highway designated under the bill. Under current policy, ODOT would be reimbursed by the city of Stow for these costs.

Local Fiscal Highlights

- The city of Stow could incur costs of between \$350 to \$400 per sign to reimburse ODOT for producing the memorial highway signs. Stow would also bear the cost of installation.

Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The bill designates a stretch of State Route 8 in the city of Stow in Summit County, running between Graham Road and Seasons Road, as the Second Lieutenant David E. Rylander Memorial Highway. When a highway is named by the General Assembly, the common practice is to 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.

The highway named in the bill extends in a northerly direction between endpoints in the city of Stow. In cases where memorial highways designated by the General Assembly under Chapter 5533. of the Revised Code fall on U.S. or state routes within the boundaries of a municipal corporation, ODOT's Traffic Engineering Manual states that ODOT may furnish signs for a fee that covers the cost of producing the signs. Stow, however, would incur the costs of installing the signs, which according to ODOT, can be approximately \$350 to \$400 per sign, including materials and labor. Once a set of signs is installed, typically there are no maintenance costs unless the signs are damaged. Signs are usually in need of replacement every 12 to 15 years.