



OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: H.B. 212 of the 132nd G.A.

Status: As Reported by House Transportation and Public Safety

Sponsor: Rep. Householder

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Subject: Designates the Staff Sergeant Paul C. Mardis Jr. Memorial Highway

As a result of the bill, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) will incur a minimal cost for producing memorial signs, and ODOT and the city of Coshocton will incur minimal costs for installing them. Specifically, the bill designates a span of State Route 16 within Coshocton County as the Staff Sergeant Paul C. Mardis Jr. Memorial Highway. The stretch runs from the boundary of the city of Coshocton to the state route's intersection with Township Road 279.

If a memorial highway begins or ends inside of a municipality, ODOT produces the signs for the city or village and may request reimbursement for the cost. ODOT, however, does not currently seek this reimbursement. The signs are installed by municipal workers, though, resulting in minimal costs for the cities and villages where the memorial highway is located. According to ODOT, the cost of producing and installing a set of signs for memorial highways and bridges is approximately \$350 to \$400, including materials and labor. For this memorial highway, the cost is thus shared between the Department and the city. Two markers are usually installed, one in each direction at each location. Once a set of signs is installed, there are typically no maintenance costs unless the signs are damaged. Signs usually need to be replaced every 12 to 15 years.

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