



OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: H.B. 347 of the 132nd G.A.

Status: As Passed by the Senate

Sponsor: Reps. Kelly and Dever

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Subject: Designates various memorial highways

State & Local Fiscal Highlights

- The Ohio Department of Transportation and various municipalities would incur costs of approximately \$350 to \$400 per set of signs to produce and install signs on each of the 17 designated memorial highways in the bill.

Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The bill designates 17 new memorial highways and bridges on portions of various interstate highways, U.S. routes, and state routes throughout Ohio. Overall, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) and the associated municipalities would incur costs of approximately \$350 to \$400 per set of signs, depending on sign size and equipment needed, to produce and install signs on each of the designated memorial highways in the bill. 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.

The cost of signage to mark the portion of a highway designated as a memorial is paid either entirely by ODOT or shared between ODOT and the municipal corporation through which the roadway passes. ODOT pays for all of the signage production costs. However, the installation costs may be borne by municipalities, depending on where the designated portion of highway begins and ends. ODOT pays installation costs for signs that are to be located outside of municipal boundaries, as well as the signs on all interstate routes. In cases where the memorial highway begins or ends inside of a municipal corporation, the city or village is responsible for installing the signage inside its boundaries. In cases where only a portion of a designated memorial highway lies in a municipal corporation, ODOT and the city or village may share the installation costs.

The table below summarizes these memorial designations in the order that they appear in the bill, including the location of the highway and the entity responsible for paying signage installation costs.

Memorial Highway Designations in H.B. 347			
Designation	Route	County (Municipality, if Applicable)	Entity or Entities Responsible for Installation Cost
Lieutenant Michael J. Lutz Memorial Highway	SR-60	Muskingum	ODOT
Deputy Sheriff Robert M. Tanner, Jr. Memorial Highway	SR-146	Muskingum	ODOT
Firefighter/Paramedic Patrick Wolterman Memorial Highway	SR-4	Butler (Hamilton)	City of Hamilton
Officers Anthony Morelli and Eric Joering Memorial Highway	I-270	Franklin (Westerville)	ODOT
Patrolman Dane L. Rowe Memorial Highway	SR-317	Franklin	ODOT
Officer Sonny L. Kim Memorial Highway	I-71	Hamilton	ODOT
Kirkersville Chief Steven "Eric" DiSario Memorial Highway	US-40	Licking (Kirkersville)	Village of Kirkersville
PFC Oscar F. Nicewander Memorial Highway	SR-93	Tuscarawas	ODOT
Marine Sgt. David R. Christoff Memorial Highway	SR-65	Wood (Rossford)	City of Rossford
Cpl. Jerry Robert Spittler Memorial Highway	SR-520	Holmes	ODOT
Army Cpt. Stephen J. Chaney Memorial Highway	SR-4	Marion	ODOT
PFC Marc L. Cole Memorial Highway	SR-55	Miami (Ludlow Falls)	ODOT and Village of Ludlow Falls
Pvt. David Rhoades Memorial Highway	SR-164	Jefferson (Bergholz)	Village of Bergholz
First Lt. Harry L. Martin Memorial Highway	US-30	Wyandot and Crawford	ODOT
Army Staff Sgt. Dennis J. Hansen Memorial Highway	US-33	Logan	ODOT
Army National Guard Sgt. Jeremy M. Hodge Memorial Highway	US-33	Logan	ODOT
Marine Gunnery Sgt. David S. Spicer Memorial Highway	US-33	Logan	ODOT and City of Bellefontaine