

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1014 Session of 2011

INTRODUCED BY MIRABITO, EVERETT, BARBIN, BRADFORD, BRIGGS,
CALTAGIRONE, CREIGHTON, DALEY, DeLUCA, DiGIROLAMO, DONATUCCI,
FABRIZIO, FLECK, GEORGE, GOODMAN, GROVE, HARHART, HENNESSEY,
HESS, HORNAMAN, KIRKLAND, KORTZ, KOTIK, KULA, MAHONEY, MAJOR,
MANN, MILLARD, MULLERY, MUSTIO, PASHINSKI, READSHAW,
SCAVELLO, K. SMITH, TALLMAN AND WHEATLEY, MARCH 14, 2011

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, MARCH 14, 2011

AN ACT

1 Designating the bridge that connects South Williamsport to
2 Williamsport, known as the Market Street Bridge, carrying
3 U.S. Route 15 over the Susquehanna River in Loyalsock
4 Township, Lycoming County, as the Carl E. Stotz Memorial
5 Little League Bridge.

6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
7 hereby enacts as follows:

8 Section 1. Carl E. Stotz Memorial Little League Bridge.

9 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares as
10 follows:

11 (1) Carl E. Stotz was born in 1910 in Williamsport,
12 Pennsylvania, and was a lifelong Williamsport resident who
13 later served as a local tax collector. He is best known for
14 founding Little League Baseball, which later evolved into an
15 international organization.

16 (2) February 20, 2010, was the 100th anniversary of his
17 birth.

1 (3) Carl E. Stotz stumbled over a lilac bush during a
2 backyard game of catch with his two young nephews in 1938 and
3 came up with the idea for Little League Baseball, which has
4 become the world's largest organized youth sports program.

5 Little League Baseball grew from three teams to nearly
6 200,000 teams in all 50 states and more than 80 countries.

7 (4) It is largely through Carl E. Stotz's endeavors that
8 the City of Williamsport has become world renowned as the
9 birthplace of Little League Baseball. Every August, the 16
10 best teams in the world converge on Little League Baseball's
11 headquarters in South Williamsport to play the annual Little
12 League World Series before thousands of fans in games
13 televised around the world.

14 (b) Designation.--The bridge that connects South
15 Williamsport to Williamsport, known as the Market Street Bridge,
16 carrying U.S. Route 15 over the Susquehanna River in Loyalsock
17 Township, Lycoming County, is hereby designated and shall be
18 known as the Carl E. Stotz Memorial Little League Bridge.

19 (c) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and
20 maintain appropriate signs to traffic in both directions to
21 indicate the designation under subsection (b).

22 Section 2. Effective date.

23 This act shall take effect in 60 days.