THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 955

Session of 2015

INTRODUCED BY WARD, TARTAGLIONE, TEPLITZ, WHITE, HUTCHINSON, BARTOLOTTA, RAFFERTY, COSTA, YUDICHAK, AUMENT, BREWSTER, DINNIMAN, MENSCH AND VULAKOVICH, JULY 15, 2015

REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION, JULY 15, 2015

AN ACT

- 1 Designating a certain interchange in New Stanton Borough,
- 2 Westmoreland County, as the Edwin "Lance" Wentzel Memorial
- 3 Interchange.
- 4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 5 hereby enacts as follows:
- 6 Section 1. Edwin "Lance" Wentzel Memorial Interchange.
- 7 (a) Findings. -- The General Assembly finds and declares as
- 8 follows:
- 9 (1) Edwin "Lance" Wentzel was a native of Youngwood and
- 10 a 35-year veteran of the Youngwood Volunteer Hose Company No.
- 11 1.
- 12 (2) On March 22, 2014, Mr. Wentzel was part of a group
- from the fire department using its K-9 Search and Rescue team
- to aid in a search for a missing woman in North Versailles.
- 15 As he was searching along railroad tracks, Mr. Wentzel
- 16 accidentally stepped in front of an oncoming train and was
- 17 hit from behind by its engine. He died at the scene.
- 18 (3) Mr. Wentzel was a well-respected and committed

- 1 volunteer firefighter. He held numerous line officer and
- 2 board positions within the department during his lengthy
- 3 service and was named the 2012 Youngwood Firefighter of the
- 4 Year. Mr. Wentzel took part in the rescue effort at Ground
- 5 Zero after 9/11.
- 6 (b) Designation. -- The interchange of Interstate 70 and
- 7 Pennsylvania Route 119 in New Stanton Borough, Westmoreland
- 8 County, is hereby designated the Edwin "Lance" Wentzel Memorial
- 9 Interchange.
- 10 (c) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and
- 11 maintain appropriate signs at the interchange displaying the
- 12 name of the interchange.
- 13 Section 2. Effective date.
- 14 This act shall take effect in 60 days.