

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 894

Sponsor: SENATOR RAFFERTY

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1 Amend Bill, page 1, line 2, by striking out the period after
2 "Way" and inserting
3 ; designating a bridge on that portion of Pennsylvania Route 271
4 over US Route 22, Jackson Township, Cambria County, as the
5 Trooper Gary Fisher Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on
6 that portion of Pennsylvania Route 53 over US Route 22,
7 Cresson Township, Cambria County, as the Corporal Robert J.
8 Sherwood, Jr., Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on
9 Segment 80 of State Route 2015, along Overbridge Street and
10 over Railroad Street, Lilly Borough, Cambria County, as the
11 Paul E. Sweeney Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on that
12 portion of Avenue A over the Allegheny River, Coudersport
13 Borough, Potter County, as the Commander Philip F. "Jet"
14 Palmatier, Jr., Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on that
15 portion of Sunnyside Road over the Oswayo Creek, Shinglehouse
16 Borough, Potter County, as the PVT Malon Stanley Memorial
17 Bridge; designating a portion of State Route 1001 in Greene
18 Township, Franklin County, as the Lance Corporal Michael L.
19 Freeman, Jr., Memorial Highway; designating a bridge on that
20 portion of State Route 533 over Muddy Run, Southampton
21 Township, Franklin County, as the Private First Class Dana
22 Edward Diehl Memorial Bridge; and designating a bridge on
23 that portion of State Route 1004 over the Conococheague
24 Creek, Greene Township, Franklin County, as the Private
25 Charles W. "Bill" Roher Memorial Bridge.

26 Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 9 and 10

27 Section 2. Trooper Gary Fisher Memorial Bridge.

28 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares as
29 follows:

30 (1) Gary W. Fisher was born on April 2, 1958, to William
31 and Patricia Fisher in Johnstown.

32 (2) He enlisted in the Pennsylvania State Police on
33 December 8, 1980 at 22 years of age.

34 (3) Following graduation from the State Police Academy,
35 he was assigned to Troop B in Washington County.

36 (4) In May 1983, he transferred to the Region V Strike
37 Force.

1 (5) On February 3, 1985, at 26 years of age, Trooper
2 Fisher was shot and killed in the line of duty while
3 attempting to make an arrest during a drug exchange at the
4 Crossroads Plaza, East Huntingdon Township, Westmoreland
5 County.

6 (b) Designation.--The bridge located on that portion of
7 Pennsylvania Route 271 over US Route 22, Jackson Township,
8 Cambria County, is designated the Trooper Gary Fisher Memorial
9 Bridge.

10 (c) Signs.--The department shall erect and maintain
11 appropriate signs displaying the name of the bridge to traffic
12 in both directions on the bridge.

13 Section 3. Corporal Robert J. Sherwood, Jr., Memorial Bridge.

14 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares as
15 follows:

16 (1) Corporal Robert J. Sherwood, Jr., was born in the
17 City of Altoona, Blair County, on September 5, 1947, and
18 enlisted in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam
19 War.

20 (2) On April 3, 1967, Corporal Sherwood made the
21 ultimate sacrifice for his country. While on patrol, his unit
22 came under enemy fire and he was mortally wounded helping
23 load injured Marines into a medical helicopter.

24 (3) For his service to the United States Marine Corps,
25 Corporal Sherwood received the following medals and ribbons:
26 Paratrooper Wings, Purple Heart Medal, National Defense
27 Medal, Vietnam Service Medal and Sharpshooter badge.

28 (b) Designation.--The bridge located on Pennsylvania Route
29 53 in Cresson Township, Cambria County over US Route 22 is
30 designated the Corporal Robert J. Sherwood, Jr., Memorial
31 Bridge.

32 (c) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and
33 maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the bridge to
34 traffic in both directions on the bridge.

35 Section 4. Paul E. Sweeney Memorial Bridge.

36 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares as
37 follows:

38 (1) A native of Lilly, Pennsylvania, 1st Sergeant Paul
39 E. Sweeney served in the United States Army during World War
40 II as a combat engineer trained in mine demolition and
41 setting booby traps with the 90th Infantry Division.

42 (2) On June 17, 1944, his ship, the USS Susan B.
43 Anthony, hit a mine, forcing the troops and crew to abandon
44 ship.

45 (3) On July 4, 1944, Sergeant Sweeney suffered injuries
46 when he was targeted by a German sniper with a percussion
47 grenade.

48 (4) Sergeant Sweeney earned the Silver Star due to his
49 actions in the vicinity of Kerling, France, on November 12,
50 1944, when he risked his life to lead a tank unit through
51 enemy fire to reinforce a patrol taking cover from heavy

1 machine guns, strategically deployed the tank unit to
2 eliminate the machine guns and advanced through intense
3 mortar and small arms fire to attack the enemy and capture 10
4 prisoners.

5 (5) In addition to the Silver Star, Sergeant Sweeney's
6 awards include the Purple Heart and the British Distinguished
7 Service Medal.

8 (6) On August 9, 2016, Sergeant Sweeney passed away at
9 the age of 96.

10 (b) Designation.--The bridge located on Segment 80 of State
11 Route 2015, along Overbridge Street and over Railroad Street,
12 Lilly Borough, Cambria County, is designated the Paul E. Sweeney
13 Memorial Bridge.

14 (c) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and
15 maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the bridge to
16 traffic in both directions on the bridge.

17 Section 5. Commander Philip F. "Jet" Palmatier, Jr., Memorial
18 Bridge.

19 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares as
20 follows:

21 (1) Commander Philip F. "Jet" Palmatier, Jr., was born
22 on November 4, 1950, in Coudersport, graduated with honors
23 from the local high school and was appointed to the United
24 States Naval Academy.

25 (2) On December 10, 1990, Commander Palmatier, a career
26 Navy officer, was flying a training mission over the Gulf of
27 Mexico when his TA-4 Skyhawk collided with another jet,
28 killing Commander Palmatier at 40 years of age.

29 (b) Designation.--The bridge located on Avenue A, bridge ID
30 52400200120000, over the Allegheny River in Coudersport Borough,
31 Potter County, is designated the Commander Philip F. "Jet"
32 Palmatier, Jr., Memorial Bridge.

33 (c) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and
34 maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the bridge to
35 traffic in both directions on the bridge.

36 Section 6. PVT Malon Stanley Memorial Bridge.

37 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares as
38 follows:

39 (1) PVT Malon Stanley, a native of Potter County, was
40 drafted into the United States Army at the start of World War
41 II and served in the 1st Cavalry Division.

42 (2) PVT Malon Stanley was part of the forces that
43 stormed Leyte Island under the command of General MacArthur.
44 PVT Malon Stanley was killed while providing cover for his
45 fellow troops who were ordered to retreat.

46 (3) PVT Malon Stanley was posthumously awarded the
47 Purple Heart for his service.

48 (b) Designation.--The bridge #4017-0124-0220 located on
49 Sunnyside Road over the Oswayo Creek, Shinglehouse Borough,
50 Potter County, is designated the PVT Malon Stanley Memorial
51 Bridge.

1 (c) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and
2 maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the bridge to
3 traffic in both directions on the bridge.

4 Section 7. Lance Corporal Michael L. Freeman, Jr., Memorial
5 Highway.

6 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares as
7 follows:

8 (1) Lance Corporal Michael L. Freeman, Jr., of
9 Fayetteville, died while supporting combat operations in
10 Helmand Province, Afghanistan, on February 1, 2010, paying
11 the supreme sacrifice for his nation in Operation Enduring
12 Freedom.

13 (2) A 2008 graduate of Chambersburg Area High School,
14 Lance Corporal Freeman had served in the Marine Corps since
15 August 2008.

16 (3) Lance Corporal Freeman, a machine gunner assigned to
17 2nd Battalion, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary
18 Force in Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, had been on his first
19 deployment in Afghanistan since October 2009.

20 (4) Lance Corporal Freeman was awarded the Purple Heart,
21 Combat Action Ribbon and the Afghanistan Campaign Medal.

22 (b) Designation.--The section of State Route 1001 from
23 Memorial Road to Mt. Pleasant Road in Greene Township, Franklin
24 County, is designated the Lance Corporal Michael L. Freeman,
25 Jr., Memorial Highway.

26 (c) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and
27 maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the highway to
28 traffic in both directions on the highway.

29 Section 8. Private First Class Dana Edward Diehl Memorial
30 Bridge.

31 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares as
32 follows:

33 (1) Private First Class Dana Edward Diehl, a native of
34 Shippensburg, lived most of his life a few miles from the
35 bridge over Muddy Run. He crossed over the bridge on Sunday
36 mornings traveling to church, spent many hours fishing with
37 his father along Muddy Run and cooled off in the stream with
38 his family during hot summer days.

39 (2) Private First Class Diehl graduated from
40 Shippensburg Area Senior High School in 1967. During high
41 school, he was a member of the wrestling team and active in
42 Boy Scout Troop No. 251.

43 (3) Private First Class Diehl honorably served his
44 country as a medical specialist with the 25th Infantry
45 Division, 3rd Squadron, 4th Cavalry, Headquarters Troop.

46 (4) On December 10, 1968, in Hau Nghia Province, South
47 Vietnam, Private First Class Diehl was killed when the
48 vehicle in which he was riding was struck by an explosive
49 device.

50 (b) Designation.--The bridge located on State Route 533 over
51 Muddy Run in Southampton Township, Franklin County, is

1 designated the Private First Class Dana Edward Diehl Memorial
2 Bridge.

3 (c) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and
4 maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the bridge to
5 traffic in both directions on the bridge.

6 Section 9. Private Charles W. "Bill" Roher Memorial Bridge.

7 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares as
8 follows:

9 (1) Private Charles W. "Bill" Roher, a native of
10 Chambersburg, served in the United States Army from April 19,
11 1943, to March 28, 1945.

12 (2) Private Charles W. "Bill" Roher was a highly
13 decorated veteran of World War II, having earned the Purple
14 Heart, Bronze Star, Combat Infantry Badge, World War II
15 Victory Medal, American Campaign Medal, European Theater of
16 War Ribbon with one star, Good Conduct Medal, Marksman Badge
17 with rifle bar and Glider Badge.

18 (b) Designation.--The bridge on State Route 1004 over the
19 Conococheague Creek in Greene Township, Franklin County, is
20 designated the Private Charles W. "Bill" Roher Memorial Bridge.

21 (c) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and
22 maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the bridge to
23 traffic in both directions on the bridge.

24 Amend Bill, page 2, line 10, by striking out "2" and
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