

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1206 Session of  
2006

INTRODUCED BY SCARNATI, APRIL 26, 2006

AS AMENDED ON THIRD CONSIDERATION, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
OCTOBER 24, 2006

AN ACT

1 ~~Designating an access road from Interstate 80 to the DuBois~~ <—  
2 ~~Jefferson County Airport in Washington Township, Jefferson~~  
3 ~~County, as the Francis H. "Bud" Scherer Memorial Highway.~~  
4 AMENDING THE ACT OF JUNE 15, 2006 (P.L.200, NO.47), ENTITLED "AN <—  
5 ACT DESIGNATING THE BRIDGE CARRYING STATE ROUTE 1025 OVER  
6 INTERSTATE 79 IN NORTH STRABANE TOWNSHIP, WASHINGTON COUNTY,  
7 AS THE CANON-MCMILLAN ALUMNI BRIDGE," FURTHER PROVIDING FOR  
8 THE CANON-MCMILLAN ALUMNI BRIDGE DESIGNATION; ~~AND~~ DESIGNATING <—  
9 STATE ROUTE 830 EXTENDING FROM INTERSTATE 80 TO THE DUBOIS-  
10 JEFFERSON COUNTY AIRPORT IN WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP, JEFFERSON  
11 COUNTY, AS THE FRANCIS H. "BUD" SCHERER MEMORIAL HIGHWAY;  
12 DESIGNATING A PORTION OF STATE ROUTE 291 IN DELAWARE COUNTY <—  
13 AS THE WILLIE MAE JAMES LEAKE MEMORIAL HIGHWAY; DESIGNATING  
14 THE BRIDGE ON INTERSTATE 79 CROSSING U.S. ROUTE 6N IN  
15 WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP, ERIE COUNTY, AS THE DR. RAY F. BIRCHARD  
16 MEMORIAL BRIDGE; DESIGNATING FRONT STREET, FROM ALLEGHENY  
17 AVENUE TO ROCKY GROVE AVENUE IN THE BOROUGH OF SUGARCREEK,  
18 VENANGO COUNTY, AS THE MAYOR JOHN D. MCCLELLAND HONORARY  
19 HIGHWAY; AND DESIGNATING SR 255 FROM SR 948, FOX TOWNSHIP,  
20 ELK COUNTY, TO THE FORMER ST. MARYS BOROUGH LINE IN ELK  
21 COUNTY, AS THE WILLIAM F. RENWICK MEMORIAL HIGHWAY.

22 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

23 hereby enacts as follows:

24 ~~Section 1. Francis H. "Bud" Scherer Memorial Highway.~~ <—

25 ~~(a) Designation. The access road from Interstate 80 to the~~

26 ~~DuBois Jefferson County Airport in Washington Township,~~

1 ~~Jefferson County, is designated and shall be known as the~~  
2 ~~Francis H. "Bud" Scherer Memorial Highway.~~

3 ~~(b) Signs. The Department of Transportation shall erect and~~  
4 ~~maintain signs which shall display the name of the highway~~  
5 ~~designated in subsection (a) at each end of the designated road.~~

6 ~~Section 2. Effective date.~~

7 ~~This act shall take effect in 60 days.~~

8 SECTION 1. THE TITLE AND SECTION 1(A) OF THE ACT OF JUNE 15, <—  
9 2006 (P.L.200, NO.47), ENTITLED "AN ACT DESIGNATING THE BRIDGE  
10 CARRYING STATE ROUTE 1025 OVER INTERSTATE 79 IN NORTH STRABANE  
11 TOWNSHIP, WASHINGTON COUNTY, AS THE CANON-MCMILLAN ALUMNI  
12 BRIDGE," ~~IS~~ ARE AMENDED TO READ: <—

13 AN ACT

14 DESIGNATING THE BRIDGE CARRYING STATE ROUTE [1025] 1035 OVER  
15 INTERSTATE 79 IN NORTH STRABANE TOWNSHIP, WASHINGTON COUNTY,  
16 AS THE CANON-MCMILLAN ALUMNI BRIDGE[.]; ~~AND DESIGNATING STATE~~ <—  
17 ROUTE 830 EXTENDING FROM INTERSTATE 80 TO THE DUBOIS-  
18 JEFFERSON COUNTY AIRPORT IN WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP, JEFFERSON  
19 COUNTY, AS THE FRANCIS H. "BUD" SCHERER MEMORIAL HIGHWAY; <—  
20 DESIGNATING A PORTION OF STATE ROUTE 291 IN DELAWARE COUNTY  
21 AS THE WILLIE MAE JAMES LEAKE MEMORIAL HIGHWAY; DESIGNATING  
22 THE BRIDGE ON INTERSTATE 79 CROSSING U.S. ROUTE 6N IN  
23 WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP, ERIE COUNTY, AS THE DR. RAY F. BIRCHARD  
24 MEMORIAL BRIDGE; DESIGNATING FRONT STREET, FROM ALLEGHENY  
25 AVENUE TO ROCKY GROVE AVENUE IN THE BOROUGH OF SUGARCREEK,  
26 VENANGO COUNTY, AS THE MAYOR JOHN D. MCCLELLAND HONORARY  
27 HIGHWAY; AND DESIGNATING SR 255 FROM SR 948, FOX TOWNSHIP,  
28 ELK COUNTY, TO THE FORMER ST. MARY'S BOROUGH LINE IN ELK  
29 COUNTY, AS THE WILLIAM F. RENWICK MEMORIAL HIGHWAY.

30 SECTION 1. CANON-MCMILLAN ALUMNI BRIDGE.

1 (A) DESIGNATION.--THE BRIDGE CARRYING STATE ROUTE [1025]  
2 1035 OVER INTERSTATE 79 IN NORTH STRABANE TOWNSHIP, WASHINGTON  
3 COUNTY, IS DESIGNATED AND SHALL BE KNOWN AS THE CANON-MCMILLAN  
4 ALUMNI BRIDGE.

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6 SECTION 2. THE ACT IS AMENDED BY ADDING ~~A SECTION~~ SECTIONS <—  
7 TO READ:

8 SECTION 1.1. FRANCIS H. "BUD" SCHERER MEMORIAL HIGHWAY.

9 (A) DESIGNATION.--STATE ROUTE 830 EXTENDING FROM INTERSTATE  
10 80 TO THE DUBOIS-JEFFERSON COUNTY AIRPORT IN WASHINGTON  
11 TOWNSHIP, JEFFERSON COUNTY, IS DESIGNATED AND SHALL BE KNOWN AS  
12 THE FRANCIS H. "BUD" SCHERER MEMORIAL HIGHWAY.

13 (B) SIGNS.--THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SHALL ERECT AND  
14 MAINTAIN SIGNS WHICH SHALL DISPLAY THE NAME OF THE HIGHWAY  
15 DESIGNATED IN SUBSECTION (A) AT EACH END OF THE DESIGNATED ROAD.

16 SECTION 1.2. WILLIE MAE JAMES LEAKE MEMORIAL HIGHWAY. <—

17 (A) DECLARATION OF POLICY.--THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AND  
18 DECLARES THAT:

19 (1) MAYOR WILLIE MAE JAMES LEAKE HAD THE DISTINCTION OF  
20 BEING THE FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN MAYOR FOR THE CITY OF  
21 CHESTER, DELAWARE COUNTY, AND SERVED IN THAT CAPACITY FROM  
22 1986 TO 1991.

23 (2) MAYOR LEAKE'S PRIDE FOR THE CITY OF CHESTER LED HER  
24 TO A CAREER IN CITY POLITICS. MAYOR LEAKE'S POLITICAL CAREER  
25 BEGAN IN 1972. SUBSEQUENTLY, SHE BEGAN THIS CAREER APPOINTED  
26 TO THE CHESTER-UPLAND SCHOOL BOARD. IN 1977 MAYOR LEAKE  
27 RECEIVED THE HIGHEST NUMBER OF VOTES AMONG REPUBLICAN  
28 CANDIDATES FOR A SIX-YEAR TERM ON THE SCHOOL BOARD. IN 1982  
29 MAYOR LEAKE WAS APPOINTED CITY TREASURER. IN JANUARY 1983  
30 MAYOR LEAKE WAS APPOINTED TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF CHESTER,

1 PENNSYLVANIA, AND AT THIS TIME SHE MADE HISTORY AS THE FIRST  
2 WOMAN TO SERVE ON CITY COUNCIL.

3 (3) MAYOR LEAKE WAS ALSO ON THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE  
4 CHESTER BRANCH OF THE NAACP.

5 (4) THE DISTINGUISHED ACHIEVEMENTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF  
6 MAYOR WILLIE MAE JAMES LEAKE REFLECT THE SPIRIT OF NOT ONLY A  
7 DISTINGUISHED SERVANT TO THE CITY OF CHESTER, DELAWARE  
8 COUNTY, AND THE COMMONWEALTH, BUT ALSO A GREAT PENNSYLVANIAN.

9 (B) DESIGNATION.--THE HIGHWAY IN DELAWARE COUNTY CARRYING  
10 STATE ROUTE 291 FROM RIDLEY CREEK TO THE TRAINER BOROUGH LINE IS  
11 HEREBY DESIGNATED AND SHALL BE KNOWN AS THE WILLIE MAE JAMES  
12 LEAKE MEMORIAL HIGHWAY. THE DESIGNATION UNDER THIS SUBSECTION  
13 SHALL SUPERSEDE ANY PREVIOUS DESIGNATION OF THIS PORTION OF  
14 HIGHWAY.

15 (C) SIGNS.--THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SHALL ERECT  
16 APPROPRIATE SIGNS AT EACH END OF THE HIGHWAY DISPLAYING THE  
17 DESIGNATION MADE BY THIS SECTION.

18 SECTION 1.3. DR. RAY F. BIRCHARD MEMORIAL BRIDGE.

19 (A) DECLARATION OF POLICY.--THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FINDS AND  
20 DECLARES AS FOLLOWS:

21 (1) DR. RAY F. BIRCHARD WAS BORN IN 1926 IN CAMBRIDGE  
22 SPRINGS AND GRADUATED IN 1949 FROM NEW YORK STATE COLLEGE OF  
23 VETERINARY MEDICINE AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY.

24 (2) DR. RAY F. BIRCHARD SERVED THE PUBLIC AND THE  
25 COMMUNITY AS A MEMBER OF THE WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP ZONING  
26 HEARING BOARD FROM MARCH 1979 UNTIL APRIL 1993. HE FURTHER  
27 SERVED ON THE GENERAL MCLANE SCHOOL BOARD, WAS AN ACTIVE  
28 MEMBER OF THE NORTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA VETERINARY MEDICAL  
29 ASSOCIATION, THE MASONIC LODGE IN EDINBORO AND COUNTLESS  
30 OTHER COMMUNITY AND CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS UNTIL HIS DEATH ON

1 SEPTEMBER 7, 2006.

2 (3) DR. RAY F. BIRCHARD WAS DEDICATED TO SERVING THE  
3 PUBLIC AND THE COMMUNITY, AND HE DID SO WITH DISTINCTION AND  
4 A TRUE SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY AND FAMILY.

5 (B) DESIGNATION.--THE BRIDGE ON INTERSTATE 79 CROSSING U.S.  
6 ROUTE 6N IN WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP, ERIE COUNTY, IS HEREBY  
7 DESIGNATED AS THE DR. RAY F. BIRCHARD MEMORIAL BRIDGE.

8 (C) SIGNS.--THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SHALL ERECT AND  
9 MAINTAIN APPROPRIATE SIGNS TO INDICATE THE DESIGNATION UNDER  
10 SUBSECTION (B).

11 SECTION 1.4. MAYOR JOHN D. MCCLELLAND HONORARY HIGHWAY.

12 (A) DESIGNATION.--FRONT STREET, A SECTION OF STATE ROUTE  
13 4002, FROM PENNSYLVANIA ROUTES 8 AND 62 TO PENNSYLVANIA ROUTE  
14 417, IN THE VILLAGE OF ROCKY GROVE, BOROUGH OF SUGARCREEK,  
15 VENANGO COUNTY, IS DESIGNATED AND SHALL BE KNOWN AS THE MAYOR  
16 JOHN D. MCCLELLAND HONORARY HIGHWAY.

17 (B) SIGNS.--THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SHALL ERECT AND  
18 MAINTAIN SIGNS WHICH SHALL DISPLAY THE NAME OF THE HIGHWAY  
19 DESIGNATED IN SUBSECTION (A) AT EACH END OF THE DESIGNATED ROAD.

20 SECTION 1.5. WILLIAM F. RENWICK MEMORIAL HIGHWAY.

21 (A) FINDINGS.--WILLIAM F. RENWICK WAS A FORMER MEMBER OF THE  
22 PENNSYLVANIA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES WHO PASSED AWAY FEBRUARY  
23 28, 1981, AT THE AGE OF 65. HE WAS A UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS  
24 VETERAN OF WORLD WAR II, WAS FIRST ELECTED TO THE HOUSE OF  
25 REPRESENTATIVES IN 1954 AND SERVED FOR 24 CONSECUTIVE YEARS  
26 UNTIL 1978. HE WAS A LEADER IN SPORTSMEN'S AND ENVIRONMENTAL  
27 ISSUES, A MEMBER OF THE ST. MARYS SPORTSMEN'S CLUB AND CHAIRMAN  
28 OF THE GAME AND FISHERIES COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF  
29 REPRESENTATIVES. HE SERVED AS A MEMBER OF ST. MARYS BOROUGH  
30 COUNCIL FROM 1945 TO 1949, WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF THE KNIGHTS

1 OF COLUMBUS, THE AMERICAN LEGION AND THE BENEVOLENT AND  
2 PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS. MR. RENWICK WAS HIGHLY RESPECTED AND  
3 ADMIRER BY HIS CONSTITUENTS AND COLLEAGUES AS AN HONEST AND  
4 DEDICATED POLITICIAN WHO WAS COMMITTED TO THE WELL-BEING OF HIS  
5 COMMUNITY AND THE CITIZENS OF THIS COMMONWEALTH.

6 (B) DESIGNATION.--SR 255 FROM SR 948, FOX TOWNSHIP, ELK  
7 COUNTY, TO THE FORMER ST. MARYS BOROUGH LINE IN ELK COUNTY IS  
8 DESIGNATED AND SHALL BE KNOWN AS THE WILLIAM F. RENWICK MEMORIAL  
9 HIGHWAY.

10 (C) SIGNS.--THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SHALL ERECT AND  
11 MAINTAIN SIGNS WHICH SHALL DISPLAY THE NAME OF THE HIGHWAY  
12 DESIGNATED IN SUBSECTION (B) AT EACH END OF THE DESIGNATED  
13 HIGHWAY.

14 SECTION 3. ALL ACTS AND PARTS OF ACTS ARE REPEALED INsofar  
15 AS THEY ARE INCONSISTENT WITH THIS ACT.

16 SECTION ~~3~~ 4. THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT AS FOLLOWS: <—

17 (1) THE ADDITION OF SECTION 1.1 OF THE ACT SHALL TAKE  
18 EFFECT JULY 31, 2007.

19 (2) THE ADDITION OF SECTIONS 1.4 AND 1.5 OF THE ACT <—  
20 SHALL TAKE EFFECT IN 60 DAYS.

21 ~~(2)~~ (3) THE REMAINDER OF THIS ACT SHALL TAKE EFFECT <—  
22 IMMEDIATELY.