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THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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SENATE BILL

No. 1401 Session of  
2014

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INTRODUCED BY SCARNATI AND RAFFERTY, JUNE 2, 2014

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REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION, JUNE 2, 2014

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AN ACT

1 Renaming the West Chestnut Street Bridge in Coudersport Borough,  
2 Potter County, as the Private Edwin Tubbs Memorial Bridge;  
3 and renaming the State Route 872 Bridge near Coudersport  
4 Borough/Eulalia Township Border, Potter County, as the  
5 Specialist Donald Stiles Memorial Bridge.

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

8 Section 1. Private Edwin Tubbs Memorial Bridge.

9 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares that:

10 (1) Private Edwin Franklin Tubbs left Coudersport High  
11 School in August of 1967 and entered into the United States  
12 Army.

13 (2) Private Tubbs deployed to Vietnam with D Company,  
14 Sixth Battalion, 31st Infantry Regiment, Ninth Infantry  
15 Division on December 4, 1968, and was stationed at Dinh  
16 Tuong, South Vietnam.

17 (3) On January 12, 1969, Private Tubbs was fatally  
18 wounded as he set down his rifle to assist a fellow soldier  
19 who was injured on the battlefield.

20 (4) During his service in the United States Army Private

1 Tubbs received the Bronze Star Medal and Purple Heart.

2 (b) Change of name.--The bridge in Coudersport Borough,  
3 Potter County, known as the West Chestnut Street Bridge is  
4 hereby renamed the Private Edwin Tubbs Memorial Bridge.

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

8 Section 2. Specialist Donald Stiles Memorial Bridge.

9 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares that:

10 (1) Specialist Donald Stiles enlisted in the United  
11 States Army at 17 years of age.

12 (2) Specialist Stiles was deployed to Vietnam as an  
13 atomic demolition munitions specialist, with A Battery, First  
14 Battalion, Seventh Artillery, First Infantry Division.

15 (3) On April 2, 1968, Specialist Stiles was killed in  
16 action in Binh Duong Province, South Vietnam, after taking a  
17 fellow soldier's place on a mission and being hit by bomb  
18 fragments from a land mine.

19 (b) Change of name.--The State Route 872 Bridge near  
20 Coudersport Borough/Eulalia Township Border, Potter County, is  
21 hereby renamed the Specialist Donald Stiles Memorial Bridge.

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

25 Section 3. Effective date.

26 This act shall take effect in 60 days.