

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 117

Sponsor: REPRESENTATIVE PICKETT

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1 Amend Bill, page 1, line 4, by striking out the period after
2 "Bridge" and inserting
3 ; designating a bridge on that portion of Peg Run Road,
4 Pennsylvania Route 240, over the West Branch of the
5 Susquehanna River, Susquehanna Township, Cambria County, as
6 the United States Army Sergeant Scott O. Henry Memorial
7 Bridge; designating a portion of U.S. Route 220 in Sullivan
8 County from the intersection with Pennsylvania Route 87 to
9 the Bradford County line as the T.W. "Doc" Shoemaker Memorial
10 Highway; designating a bridge on that portion of Pennsylvania
11 Route 14 over Fall Brook, Troy Borough, Bradford County, as
12 the Troy Area Veterans Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge
13 on that portion of Pennsylvania Route 305 over Shaver's Creek
14 in Barree Township, Huntingdon County, as the Private Harold
15 E. "Jim" Knode Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on that
16 portion of Pennsylvania Route 453 over the Little Juniata
17 River, Tyrone Township, Blair County, as the Robert E.
18 Gensimore Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on that
19 portion of Pennsylvania Route 899 over the Clarion River
20 connecting Barnett Township, Jefferson County, and Barnett
21 Township, Forest County, as the PFC Patrick T. Cassatt
22 Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on that portion of
23 State Route 4018 over the Little Mahoning Creek, South
24 Mahoning Township, Indiana County, as the SP4 Franklin Delano
25 Meyer Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge identified as
26 Bridge Key 54683 on that portion of State Route 3009
27 (Kushequa Avenue) over the Kinzua Creek in Kushequa, Hamlin
28 Township, McKean County, as the Vietnam Veterans Memorial
29 Bridge; designating the bridge identified as Bridge Key 18676
30 on that portion of Pennsylvania Route 747 over the Juniata
31 River in Mount Union Borough, Huntingdon County, as the
32 Captain Joseph S. Giacobello Memorial Bridge; designating a
33 bridge on that portion of State Route 2016 over the Casselman
34 River in Rockwood Borough, Somerset County, as the PFC Alton
35 Glenn Sterner Memorial Bridge; and designating a bridge on
36 that portion of Pennsylvania Route 96 over the Little Wills
37 Creek, Bedford County, as the Staff Sgt. Roger (Rod) Guy
38 Holler Memorial Bridge.

1 Amend Bill, page 2, by inserting between lines 16 and 17

2 Section 2. United States Army Sergeant Scott O. Henry Memorial
3 Bridge.

4 (a) Designation.--The bridge located on Peg Run Road,
5 Pennsylvania Route 240, over the West Branch of the Susquehanna
6 River, Susquehanna Township, Cambria County, is designated the
7 United States Army Sergeant Scott O. Henry Memorial Bridge in
8 honor of Scott O. Henry who served in both the United States
9 Marine Corps and the United States Army. Scott O. Henry was
10 killed in action in Vietnam at the Battle of Ia Drang while
11 rescuing an injured soldier from the field of battle.

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

15 Section 3. T.W. "Doc" Shoemaker Memorial Highway.

16 (a) Designation.--The section of U.S. Route 220 in Sullivan
17 County from the intersection with Pennsylvania Route 87 to the
18 Bradford County line is designated the T.W. "Doc" Shoemaker
19 Memorial Highway in honor of Sullivan County native T.W. "Doc"
20 Shoemaker, a World War II veteran who died on May 2, 2018, after
21 serving his community for nearly 70 years as a veterinarian and
22 community leader.

23 (b) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and
24 maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the highway to
25 traffic in both directions on the highway.

26 Section 4. Troy Area Veterans Memorial Bridge.

27 (a) Designation.--The bridge located on Pennsylvania Route
28 14 over Fall Brook in Troy Borough, Bradford County, is
29 designated the Troy Area Veterans Memorial Bridge.

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

33 Section 5. Private Harold E. "Jim" Knode Memorial Bridge.

34 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares as
35 follows:

36 (1) Private Harold E. "Jim" Knode was a native of the
37 McAlevys Fort area.

38 (2) In February 1944, Private Knode was drafted into the
39 United States Army at age 28 and served with the 179th
40 Infantry Regiment, 45th Infantry Division.

41 (3) On November 28, 1944, Private Knode was killed while
42 crossing the Moselle River between France and Germany.
43 Private Knode was interred in what became the Epinal American
44 Cemetery in Dinozé, France.

45 (4) Private Knode was awarded the Bronze Star, the
46 Purple Heart, the Good Conduct Medal, the European-African
47 Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, the World War II Victory Medal
48 and a lapel button for Honorable Service.

49 (b) Designation.--The bridge located on Pennsylvania Route

1 305 in Barree Township, Huntingdon County, over Shaver's Creek
2 is designated the Private Harold E. "Jim" Knode Memorial 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 6. Robert E. Gensimore Bridge.

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

9 (1) Robert E. Gensimore, a foreman for Blair District 9
10 of the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, lost his
11 life in the line of duty on February 17, 2018.

12 (2) A resident of Spruce Creek, Gensimore was a 1991
13 graduate of Juniata Valley High School and served for 27
14 years as a member of the Warriors Mark-Franklin Volunteer
15 Fire Company.

16 (b) Designation.--The bridge located on Pennsylvania Route
17 453 in Tyrone Township, Blair County, over the Little Juniata
18 River, is designated the Robert E. Gensimore Memorial Bridge.

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

22 Section 7. PFC Patrick T. Cassatt Memorial Bridge.

23 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares as
24 follows:

25 (1) PFC Patrick T. Cassatt of Clarington served with the
26 U.S. Army in World War II and the Korean War.

27 (2) A member of Company E, 2nd Battalion, 8th Cavalry
28 Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, PFC Cassatt was declared
29 missing in action on November 2, 1950, after his battalion
30 was attacked by the Peoples Liberation Army.

31 (3) PFC Cassatt was declared killed in action on
32 December 31, 1953.

33 (b) Designation.--The bridge located on Pennsylvania Route
34 899 over the Clarion River connecting Barnett Township,
35 Jefferson County, and Barnett Township, Forest County, is
36 designated the PFC Patrick T. Cassatt Memorial Bridge.

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

40 Section 8. SP4 Franklin Delano Meyer Memorial Bridge.

41 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares as
42 follows:

43 (1) SP4 Franklin Delano Meyer, a native of South
44 Mahoning Township, lost his life on June 11, 1970, while
45 serving with the United States Army in Vietnam.

46 (2) SP4 Meyer was awarded the Bronze Star, Good Conduct
47 Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Aircrew Badge and Marksmanship
48 Medal.

49 (b) Designation.--The bridge located on State Route 4018
50 over the Little Mahoning Creek, South Mahoning Township, Indiana
51 County, is designated the SP4 Franklin Delano Meyer Memorial

1 Bridge.

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

5 Section 9. Vietnam Veterans Memorial Bridge.

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

8 (1) Although there was no official declaration of war,
9 it is widely accepted that the Vietnam War started on
10 November 1, 1955, and ended on April 30, 1975, lasting 19
11 years, 180 days.

12 (2) On August 2, 1964, the North Vietnamese fired on a
13 United States destroyer anchored in the Gulf of Tonkin,
14 leading to Congress passing the Gulf of Tonkin resolution,
15 authorizing a full-scale intervention in the Vietnam War.

16 (3) On March 8, 1965, the first American combat troops,
17 the 9th Marine Expeditionary Brigade, landed in Da Nang,
18 Vietnam.

19 (4) The last American ground troops left Vietnam on
20 March 29, 1973, more than two years before the official end
21 of the war when South Vietnam surrendered to North Vietnam.

22 (5) Two hundred forty men were awarded the Medal of
23 Honor during the Vietnam War.

24 (6) In all, approximately 2,700,000 American men and
25 women served in uniform in Vietnam, including more than
26 300,000 Pennsylvanians.

27 (7) During the course of the Vietnam War, 58,148
28 Americans were killed, including more than 3,000
29 Pennsylvanians.

30 (8) It is fitting to recognize and honor the men and
31 women who bravely served their country during the Vietnam
32 War.

33 (b) Designation.--The bridge, identified as Bridge Key
34 54683, located on State Route 3009 (Kushequa Avenue) in
35 Kushequa, Hamlin Township, McKean County, over the Kinzua Creek
36 is designated the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Bridge.

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

40 Section 10. Captain Joseph S. Giacobello Memorial Bridge.

41 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares as
42 follows:

43 (1) Joseph S. Giacobello lived a life of humble service
44 to the residents of Mount Union and to the nation.

45 (2) Born June 30, 1919, Mr. Giacobello attended Mount
46 Union High School, from which he graduated in 1938.

47 (3) Mr. Giacobello attended Shippensburg State Teachers
48 College, where he was a standout basketball and football
49 player until he was drafted into the United States Army in
50 1942.

51 (4) Mr. Giacobello was assigned to the United States

1 Army infantry. He completed his basic training at Camp
2 Pickett in Virginia and then attended Officer Candidate
3 School at Fort Benning, Georgia.

4 (5) Mr. Giacobello was deployed to the European Theater
5 with the 35th Infantry Division, Co. F, 2nd Battalion, 137th
6 Infantry Regiment, arriving in Normandy, France, on July 5,
7 1944, and activated into combat on July 11, 1944, in the
8 fighting in the hedgerows of St. Lo, France.

9 (6) In one of many distinguished combat actions, Mr.
10 Giacobello heroically led his company in an attack on the
11 French village of Hellimer, where he and two others stopped a
12 machine gun and knocked out a Panther tank, saving what many
13 believe are countless lives.

14 (7) Mr. Giacobello was one of the most highly decorated
15 soldiers in central Pennsylvania earning the Distinguished
16 Service Cross, two Silver Stars, two Purple Hearts and the
17 Combat Infantryman Badge while fighting in combat in the
18 European Theater.

19 (8) Mr. Giacobello attained the rank of Captain in the
20 United States Army during his time in combat and service to
21 our nation.

22 (9) Upon returning home, Mr. Giacobello dedicated his
23 life to service in his Mount Union community where he helped
24 countless local veterans and supported youth sports
25 activities.

26 (10) Mr. Giacobello passed away on February 16, 2019.

27 (b) Designation.--The bridge, identified as Bridge Key
28 18676, located on that portion of Pennsylvania Route 747 in
29 Mount Union Borough, Huntingdon County, over the Juniata River
30 is designated the Captain Joseph S. Giacobello Memorial Bridge.

31 (c) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and
32 maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the bridge to
33 traffic in both directions on the bridge.
34 Section 11. PFC Alton Glenn Sterner Memorial Bridge.

35 (a) Designation.--The bridge located on State Route 2016 in
36 Rockwood Borough, Somerset County, over the Casselman River is
37 designated the PFC Alton Glenn Sterner Memorial Bridge in honor
38 of Rockwood native PFC Alton Glenn Sterner, who lost his life on
39 June 19, 1953, while serving with the United States Army 5th
40 Regimental Combat Team during the Korean War.

41 (b) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and
42 maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the bridge to
43 traffic in both directions on the bridge.
44 Section 12. Staff Sgt. Roger (Rod) Guy Holler Memorial Bridge.

45 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares as
46 follows:

47 (1) Staff Sgt. Roger Guy Holler, of Buffalo Mills, was a
48 1967 graduate of Hyndman High School where he was a varsity
49 wrestler and was in the chorus.

50 (2) Staff Sgt. Holler attended Penn State Altoona and
51 was attending Pittsburgh Technical Institute when he was

1 drafted into the United States Army in June 1969.

2 (3) Staff Sgt. Holler completed basic training at Fort
3 Polk in Louisiana and Fort Benning in Georgia.

4 (4) While in Vietnam, Staff Sgt. Holler was a member of
5 Company A, 2nd Battalion, 5th Cavalry, 1st Cavalry Division.

6 (5) On January 16, 1971, Staff Sgt. Holler was killed by
7 artillery fire in Bien Hoa, Vietnam.

8 (6) Staff Sgt. Holler was awarded the Silver Star, the
9 Air Medal, the Army Commendation Medal and the Purple Heart.

10 (b) Designation.--The bridge located on that portion of
11 Pennsylvania Route 96 over the Little Wills Creek, Bedford
12 County, is designated the Staff Sgt. Roger (Rod) Guy Holler
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 Amend Bill, page 2, line 17, by striking out "2" and
18 inserting

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