

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 621

Sponsor: SENATOR PITTMAN

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1 Amend Bill, page 4, line 11, by inserting after "HIGHWAY;"
2 designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 55815, carrying
3 State Route 1005 over Crooked Creek in Rayne Township,
4 Indiana County, as the Sergeant Charles R. Learn Memorial
5 Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Pennsylvania
6 Route 443 bridge, over the Little Schuylkill River, located
7 in Walker Township, Schuylkill County, as the William Hoffman
8 Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Park
9 Road Bridge, located in Wyomissing, Berks County, as the
10 Joseph Walker Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge on U.S.
11 Route 209 over Middle Creek, located in Polk Township, Monroe
12 County, as the Charles Gardner Memorial Bridge; designating a
13 bridge, also known as the Bridge Street Bridge, located in
14 Weissport Borough, Carbon County, as the Ralph Strubinger
15 Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as U.S.
16 Route 422 Bridge, over the Little Cacoosing Creek, located in
17 Lower Heidelberg Township, Berks County, and South Heidelberg
18 Township, Berks County, as the Wilbur Bohn Memorial Bridge;
19 designating a bridge, on Little Mountain Road over the Little
20 Catawissa Creek, located in Union Township, Schuylkill
21 County, as the Joseph Zienkiewicz Memorial Bridge;
22 designating a bridge, on Pennsylvania Route 191 over Brodhead
23 Creek, located in Stroud Township, Monroe County, as the
24 Gordon Brink Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, on
25 Pennsylvania Route 924 over the railroad, located in
26 Gilberton Borough, Monroe County, as the Walter Skubel
27 Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, on Pennsylvania Route
28 512 over the Monocacy Creek, located in Bethlehem City,
29 Northampton County, as the Raphael Rivera Memorial Bridge;
30 designating a bridge on Pennsylvania Route 443 over the
31 Schuylkill River, located in Schuylkill Haven Borough,
32 Schuylkill County, as the Caitlin McGarry Memorial Bridge;
33 designating the portion of State Route 1013 (Academy Road)
34 from the intersection with Cromwell Road to the intersection
35 with Comly Road in Philadelphia, Philadelphia County, as the
36 U.S. Army Ranger SPC Devin J. Kuhn Memorial Highway;
37 designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 8660, carrying
38 State Route 3039 over the Conemaugh River in the City of

Johnstown, Cambria County, as the Corporal Robert J. Rusnak Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 11476, on State Route 322, also known as Nichols Street over the West Branch of the Susquehanna River in the Borough of Clearfield, Clearfield County, as the Walter Lane Memorial Bridge; designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 5221, carrying U.S. Route 422 Business, also known as Penn Street, over the Schuylkill River in the City of Reading, Berks County, as the Police Officer Scott A. Wertz Memorial Bridge; designating a portion of State Route 2005, known as Lehigh Street, in Allentown, Lehigh County, from Segment 0060/Offset 1800 to the intersection with Vultee Street, as the Chief Christopher Kiskeravage Memorial Highway;

Amend Bill, page 43, lines 6 and 7, by striking out "AND BOTH DIRECTIONS ON THE CROSSING ROUTE"

Amend Bill, page 50, line 13, by inserting after "COUNTY," is designated

Amend Bill, page 50, by inserting between lines 17 and 18

Section 45. Sergeant Charles R. Learn Memorial Bridge.

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

(1) Sergeant Charles R. Learn enlisted in the United States Army on October 24, 1940.

(2) Sergeant Learn fought bravely during World War II.

(3) During his service, he received the Good Conduct Medal, American Defense Service Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal and three W/3 Bronze Stars.

(4) Sergeant Learn returned from service on November 30, 1945.

(b) Designation.--The bridge, identified as Bridge Key 55815, carrying State Route 1005 over Crooked Creek in Rayne Township, Indiana County, is designated as the Sergeant Charles R. Learn Memorial Bridge.

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

Section 46. William Hoffman Memorial Bridge.

(a) Designation.--The bridge, identified as Pennsylvania Route 443 bridge, over the Little Schuylkill River, located in Walker Township, Schuylkill County, is designated as the William Hoffman Memorial Bridge.

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

Section 47. Joseph Walker Memorial Bridge.

(a) Designation.--The bridge, identified as Park Road

1 Bridge, located in Wyomissing, Berks County, is designated as
2 the Joseph Walker Memorial Bridge.

3 (b) 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 48. Charles Gardner Memorial Bridge.

7 (a) Designation.--The bridge, on U.S. Route 209 over Middle
8 Creek, located in Polk Township, Monroe County, is designated as
9 the Charles Gardner Memorial Bridge.

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

13 Section 49. Ralph Strubinger Memorial Bridge.

14 (a) Designation.--The bridge, also known as the Bridge
15 Street Bridge, located in Weissport Borough, Carbon County, is
16 designated as the Ralph Strubinger Memorial Bridge.

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

20 Section 50. Wilbur Bohn Memorial Bridge.

21 (a) Designation.--The bridge, identified as U.S. Route 422
22 Bridge, over the Little Cacoosing Creek, located in Lower
23 Heidelberg Township, Berks County, and South Heidelberg
24 Township, Berks County, is designated as the Wilbur Bohn
25 Memorial Bridge.

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

29 Section 51. Joseph Zienkiewicz Memorial Bridge.

30 (a) Designation.--The bridge, on Little Mountain Road over
31 the Little Catawissa Creek, located in Union Township,
32 Schuylkill County, is designated as the Joseph Zienkiewicz
33 Memorial Bridge.

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

37 Section 52. Gordon Brink Memorial Bridge.

38 (a) Designation.--The bridge, on Pennsylvania Route 191 over
39 Brodhead Creek, located in Stroud Township, Monroe County, is
40 designated as the Gordon Brink Memorial Bridge.

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 53. Walter Skubel Memorial Bridge.

45 (a) Designation.--The bridge, on Pennsylvania Route 924 over
46 the railroad, located in Gilberton Borough, Monroe County, is
47 designated as the Walter Skubel Memorial Bridge.

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

51 Section 54. Raphael Rivera Memorial Bridge.

1 (a) Designation.--The bridge, on Pennsylvania Route 512 over
2 the Monocacy Creek, located in Bethlehem City, Northampton
3 County, is designated as the Raphael Rivera Memorial Bridge.

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

7 Section 55. Caitlin McGarry Memorial Bridge.

8 (a) Designation.--The bridge, on Pennsylvania Route 443 over
9 the Schuylkill River, located in Schuylkill Haven Borough,
10 Schuylkill County, is designated as the Caitlin McGarry Memorial
11 Bridge.

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 56. U.S. Army Ranger SPC Devin J. Kuhn Memorial
16 Highway.

17 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds that:

18 (1) Born and raised in Philadelphia, Specialist Devin
19 James Kuhn graduated from Archbishop Ryan High School in
20 2013, where he played several sports.

21 (2) SPC Kuhn enjoyed the outdoors and participated in
22 activities such as hiking, skiing, golfing and running in
23 endurance marathons.

24 (3) Proudly serving his country in the United States
25 Army as an army ranger, SPC Kuhn deployed once in support of
26 Operation Freedom's Sentinel.

27 (4) SPC Kuhn was decorated with the following awards:

28 (i) National Defense Service Medal.

29 (ii) Army Service Ribbon.

30 (iii) The Expert Infantryman Badge.

31 (iv) The Parachutist Badge.

32 (v) The Ranger Tab.

33 (5) SPC Kuhn tragically lost his life in a training
34 accident and is survived by his wife, Brittany, his parents,
35 James and Lynn Kuhn and his sister, Sara Kuhn.

36 (6) This Commonwealth and the nation are indebted to SPC
37 Kuhn for his bravery and sacrifice in protecting freedom and
38 liberty at home and abroad.

39 (7) Enacting this memorial highway would be a small yet
40 significant action to honor the service and life of SPC Kuhn.

41 (b) Designation.--The portion of State Route 1013 (Academy
42 Road) from the intersection with Cromwell Road to the
43 intersection with Comly Road in Philadelphia, Philadelphia
44 County, is designated as the U.S. Army Ranger SPC Devin J. Kuhn
45 Memorial Highway.

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

49 Section 57. Corporal Robert J. Rusnak Memorial Bridge.

50 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares as
51 follows:

(1) Robert Rusnak was born December 23, 1948, in Johnstown.

(2) Corporal Rusnak enlisted in the United States Marine Corps on June 28, 1967.

(3) Corporal Rusnak served in Company K, 3rd Battalion, 9th Marine Regiment, 3rd Marine Division.

(4) On September 9, 1968, Company K was conducting a search and destroy operation in Quang Tri Province when it suddenly came under intense fire from a large North Vietnamese Army unit.

(5) Corporal Rusnak assisted in deploying his squad and directing the delivery of accurate suppressive fire upon the hostile positions.

(6) Corporal Rusnak observed a fellow Marine lying wounded in an open area and dangerously exposed to enemy fire.

(7) Corporal Rusnak heroically rushed across the fire-swept terrain to aid his injured comrade.

(8) Corporal Rusnak was mortally wounded by the heavy volume of enemy small arm fire.

(9) Corporal Rusnak was posthumously awarded the Silver Star for his heroic actions in the line of duty.

(b) Designation.--The bridge, identified as Bridge Key 8660, carrying State Route 3039 over the Conemaugh River in the City of Johnstown, Cambria County, is designated as the Corporal Robert J. Rusnak Memorial Bridge.

(c) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the bridge to traffic in both directions on the bridge.
Section 58. Walter Lane Memorial Bridge.

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

(1) Walter Clarence Lane was born on August 31, 1909, in Clearfield.

(2) Mr. Lane was a United States Army veteran of World War II.

(3) He was a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, Lodge No. 96.

(4) Prior to his death, Mr. Lane was employed by the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for seven years.

(5) Mr. Lane was an equipment operator for the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.

(6) On August 28, 1970, Mr. Lane was engaged in a highway repair job on Legislative Route 17037, two miles south of New Millport, when he was tragically killed during the performance of his duties.

(b) Designation.--The bridge, identified as Bridge Key 11476, on State Route 322, also known as Nichols Street, over the West Branch of the Susquehanna River in the Borough of Clearfield, Clearfield County, is designated as the Walter Lane Memorial 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 59. Police Officer Scott A. Wertz Memorial Bridge.

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

7 (1) Police Officer Scott A. Wertz was a lifelong
8 resident of Berks County.

9 (2) Police Officer Wertz attended Reading and Wilson
10 School Districts and graduated from Wilson High School in
11 1984.

12 (3) Police Officer Wertz dedicated 20 years of his life
13 to public service and law enforcement, working for six years
14 as a correctional officer at the Berks County Prison, and
15 later as a part-time police officer for the Sinking Spring
16 Borough and South Heidelberg Township Police Departments.

17 (4) Police Officer Wertz graduated from the Reading
18 Police Academy and joined the Reading Police Department in
19 1997, where he was a member of the Patrol Division, working
20 as a Field Training Officer, and served in a special detail
21 in the Criminal Investigations Division as part of the Auto
22 Theft Task Force.

23 (5) On August 6, 2006, Police Officer Wertz died in the
24 line of duty while responding with his partner to a call to
25 assist his fellow officers who were attempting to break up a
26 fight.

27 (6) Police Officer Wertz was a loving husband and father
28 and a dedicated police professional whose exemplary career
29 and sacrifice personify the meaning of hero.

30 (b) Designation.--The bridge, identified as Bridge Key 5221,
31 carrying U.S. Route 422 Business, also known as Penn Street,
32 over the Schuylkill River in the City of Reading, Berks County,
33 is designated as the Police Officer Scott A. Wertz Memorial
34 Bridge.

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

38 Section 60. Chief Christopher Kiskeravage Memorial Highway.

39 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares as
40 follows:

41 (1) Chief Christopher Kiskeravage was a volunteer with
42 the Shenandoah Ambulance Corp as a teenager and continued
43 life as a career firefighter and paramedic.

44 (2) Chief Kiskeravage worked at Cetronia Ambulance as a
45 paramedic and was a member of the International Association
46 of Fire Fighters for the Easton Fire Department from 1989
47 until 1996 and the Allentown Fire Department from 1996 until
48 2019, when he retired as Assistant Chief.

49 (3) Chief Kiskeravage was a member of the Lehigh County
50 Special Operations team, Pennsylvania Urban Search and Rescue
51 Co. #3.

1 (4) Chief Kiskeravage was a Pennsylvania State Fire
2 Academy Instructor and was instrumental in the development of
3 the Allentown Fire Department Technical Rescue team.

4 (5) After retiring from Allentown where he was in
5 command of the fire academy, Chief Kiskeravage was appointed
6 as South Whitehall Township's first Fire Commissioner.

7 (6) Chief Kiskeravage trained firefighters across the
8 globe with Bucks County Community College's Fire and Public
9 Safety.

10 (7) Chief Kiskeravage also traveled internationally, as
11 well as across the United States, teaching emergency medical
12 technicians and topics related to fire suppression and
13 hazardous materials.

14 (8) On June 9, 2023, Chief Kiskeravage passed away at
15 the age of 56, after a lengthy battle with cancer.

16 (b) Designation.--The portion of State Route 2005, known as
17 Lehigh Street, in Allentown, Lehigh County, from Segment
18 0060/Offset 1800 to the intersection with Vultee Street, is
19 designated as the Chief Christopher Kiskeravage Memorial
20 Highway.

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

24 Amend Bill, page 50, line 18, by striking out "45" and
25 inserting

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27 Amend Bill, page 51, by inserting between lines 14 and 15

28 (11) The General Assembly declares that the repeal under
29 paragraph (12) is necessary to effectuate the designation
30 under section 45.

31 (12) Section 5 of the act of June 10, 2022 (P.L.75,
32 No.23), is repealed.

33 Amend Bill, page 51, line 15, by striking out "46" and
34 inserting

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