
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 231 Session of
2019

INTRODUCED BY WHITE, FEBRUARY 5, 2019

REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION, FEBRUARY 5, 2019

AN ACT

1 Designating a bridge on that portion of U.S. Route 422 over
2 Yellow Creek, Cherryhill Township, Indiana County, as the PFC
3 Ralph E. Dias Memorial Bridge.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. PFC Ralph E. Dias Memorial Bridge.

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

9 (1) PFC Ralph E. Dias of Shelocta served in the United
10 States Marine Corps Company D, 1st Battalion, 7th Marines,
11 1st Marine Division, Fleet Marine Force in Vietnam.

12 (2) On November 12, 1969, PFC Dias, 19 years of age, was
13 killed in combat in Quang Nam Province, Vietnam.

14 (3) PFC Dias was awarded the Medal of Honor, the Purple
15 Heart, the Combat Action Badge, the Meritorious Unit
16 Commendation with one bronze star, the National Defense
17 Service Medal, the Vietnam Service Medal with three bronze
18 stars, the Republic of Vietnam Meritorious Unit Commendation
19 with palm and frame, the Republic of Vietnam Meritorious Unit

1 Commendation with palm and frame and the Republic of Vietnam
2 Campaign Medal with device.

3 (b) Designation.--The bridge located on U.S. Route 422 over
4 Yellow Creek, Cherryhill Township, Indiana County, is designated
5 the PFC Ralph E. Dias Memorial Bridge.

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

9 Section 2. Effective date.

10 This act shall take effect in 60 days.