

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1955 Session of 2015

INTRODUCED BY SIMMONS, BENNINGHOFF, COHEN, BAKER, HENNESSEY, DIGIROLAMO, THOMAS, SCHLOSSBERG, MILLARD, COX, HARHART, FREEMAN, DUSH, SONNEY, PAYNE, ELLIS, O'NEILL, WHEELAND, DONATUCCI, MACKENZIE, ROTHMAN, LONGIETTI, BARRAR, CALTAGIRONE, GOODMAN, READSHAW, D. COSTA, WATSON, HAHN, KINSEY, MAHONEY, GROVE, A. HARRIS, MARSICO, PHILLIPS-HILL, REGAN, MAJOR, STAATS, MURT, WARD, TOEPEL, SAYLOR, KORTZ, KIM AND YOUNGBLOOD, APRIL 5, 2016

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, APRIL 5, 2016

AN ACT

1 Designating the intersection of State Route 309 and Passer Road  
 2 in Upper Saucon Township, Lehigh County, as the Officer David  
 3 M. Petzold Memorial Highway.

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

6 Section 1. Officer David M. Petzold Memorial Highway.

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

9 (1) Officer David M. Petzold became an Upper Saucon  
 10 Township Police Officer in October 1996. He served as a  
 11 patrol officer for the Upper Saucon community and became  
 12 Upper Saucon's first detective in 2001. While assigned as a  
 13 detective, Officer Petzold earned a bachelor of arts degree  
 14 with a major in criminal justice from DeSales University.

15 (2) In May 2005, Officer Petzold joined the Federal

1 Bureau of Investigation then returned to the Upper Saucon  
2 Township Police Department in April of the next year.

3 (3) In the early morning hours of November 9, 2006,  
4 Officer Petzold was struck and killed by oncoming traffic as  
5 he removed a deer causing a traffic hazard on Route 309.

6 (4) Officer Petzold left behind a wife, two daughters  
7 and a son. He died as he lived, trying to protect and serve  
8 the community.

9 (b) Designation.--The intersection of State Route 309 and  
10 Passer Road in Upper Saucon Township, Lehigh County, is hereby  
11 designated the Officer David M. Petzold Memorial Highway.

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

15 Section 2. Effective date.

16 This act shall take effect in 60 days.