

**PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 538****SENATE BILL NO. 1034****By Tracy, Jackson****Substituted for: House Bill No. 1214****By Borchert, Pinion, Fraley, Harmon, Curtis Johnson**

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3; Title 4; Title 8; Title 54; Title 55; Title 65 and Title 67, relative to transportation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. (a) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the segment of U. S. Highway 231 from the Wilson County - Rutherford County boundary northward to such route's intersection with the City of Lebanon Public Square is hereby designated the "Sergeant Claude R. Walls Memorial Highway" as a lasting tribute to Wilson County's most decorated veteran who served his country courageously and with great personal sacrifice in Korea.

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the segment of U. S. Highway 231 described in this subsection as the "Sergeant Claude R. Walls Memorial Highway". The language "Korean War Hero" shall be included under Sergeant Walls' name on all such signs or markers.

(b) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the bridge spanning Round Lick Creek on U.S. Highway 70 in Watertown, Wilson County, is hereby designated the "Edsel Cordell Floyd Bridge" in tribute to an excellent public servant and even more accomplished human being.

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the bridge described in this subsection as the "Edsel Cordell Floyd Bridge".

(c) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the bridge spanning Leipers Creek on State Route 7 in Maury County (60-7-30-10) is hereby designated the "Rosalee Fly Atkisson Memorial Bridge" as a lasting tribute to an excellent public servant and even more accomplished human being.

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the bridge described in this subsection as the "Rosalee Fly Atkisson Memorial Bridge".

(d) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the segment of State Route 53 in Clay County from the Clay County - Jackson County boundary to a point one (1) mile north of such boundary is hereby designated the "Frank B. Halsell Memorial Highway" as a lasting tribute to an excellent public servant and even more accomplished human being.

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the segment of State Route 53 described in this subsection as the "Frank B. Halsell Memorial Highway".

(e) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the segment of State Route 53 in Clay County beginning at the northern side of the Obey River Bridge to a point one (1) mile north of the Obey River Bridge is hereby designated the "Joe A. Clark Memorial Highway" as a lasting tribute to an excellent public servant and even more accomplished human being.

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the segment of State Route 53 described in this subsection as the "Joe A. Clark Memorial Highway".

(f) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the bridge spanning South Creek east of Interstate 75 on U.S. Highway 41/U.S. Highway 76 in Hamilton County is hereby designated the "Fred Pruett Memorial Bridge" as a lasting tribute to an excellent public servant and even more accomplished human being.

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the bridge described in this subsection as the "Fred Pruett Memorial Bridge".

(g) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the bridge being constructed to span the Norfolk Southern Railway on U.S. Highway 421 (State Route 34/Anderson Street) in the City of Bristol, Sullivan County, is hereby designated the "Anderson Street Memorial Bridge" in honor of the many brave Bristolians who made the ultimate sacrifice in defense of their country.

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the bridge described in this subsection as the "Anderson Street Memorial Bridge".

(h) (1) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the segment of State Route 265 (Central Pike) in Davidson County from its intersection with Old Hickory Boulevard (State Route 45) in Davidson County eastward to the Davidson County - Wilson County boundary is hereby designated as "Ed Walsh Pike" as a lasting tribute to an exemplary man who tirelessly gave of himself to the benefit of his fellow citizens of Davidson County.

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the segment of State Route 265 described in this subsection as "Ed Walsh Pike".

(3) The appellation "Ed Walsh Pike" provided for in this subsection is for honorary purposes only and nothing contained herein shall be construed as requiring the alteration of any address, or the governmental system for assigning addresses, in any county, municipality or other governmental entity affected by this subsection.

(4) Nothing contained in this subsection shall be construed as requiring the alteration of any previously named segment or segments of, or bridges on, any highways described in subdivision (h)(1) as "Ed Walsh Pike".

(i) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the bridge spanning Watts Bar Dam and Lock on State Route 68 in Rhea and Meigs Counties is hereby designated the "Aubrey J. 'Red' Wagner Memorial Bridge" as a lasting tribute to a gentleman who devoted his life to public progress instead of personal profit.

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the bridge described in this subsection as the "Aubrey J. 'Red' Wagner Memorial Bridge".

(3) This subsection shall become operative only if the Tennessee Valley Authority advises the Commissioner of Transportation that the agency does not object to the designation or the signs provided for in subdivision (i)(2) and will permit the erection of such signs by the department.

(j) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the bridge spanning the Buffalo River on State Route 99 in the Riverside community of Lewis County is hereby designated the "Luther and Marvin Patton Memorial Bridge".

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the bridge described in this subsection as the "Luther and Marvin Patton Memorial Bridge".

(k) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the bridge spanning the Big Bigbee River on U.S. Highway 43 in Maury County is hereby designated the "Spencer Holman Memorial Bridge".

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the bridge described in this subsection as the "Spencer Holman Memorial Bridge".

(l) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the segment of U.S. Highway 411 in Blount County from its intersection with State Route 35 (Washington Street) southward to the Blount County -

Loudon County boundary is hereby designated the "Clifford H. 'Bo' Henry Highway" to honor an excellent public servant and even finer human being.

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the segment of U.S. Highway 411 described in this subsection as the "Clifford H. 'Bo' Henry Highway".

(3) Such signs or markers shall be placed outside the corporate limits of the City of Maryville.

(m) (1). Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the segment of U.S. Highway 411 from its intersection with State Route 35 (Washington Street) in Blount County northeastward to such highway's intersection with U. S. Highway 441 (Chapman Highway) in Sevier County is hereby designated the "Governor Sam Houston Memorial Highway" to honor the memory and celebrate the bountiful life of this great pioneer and statesman who served as Governor of both Tennessee and Texas.

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the segment of U. S. Highway 411 described in this subsection as the "Governor Sam Houston Memorial Highway". Such signs or markers shall be placed outside the corporate limits of the City of Maryville.

(n) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the segment of State Route 53/State Route 141 in Smith County between the New Middleton community and the Town of Gordonsville is hereby designated the "Colonel Bernie S. Bass Highway" as a lasting tribute to one of Smith County's most highly decorated veterans who served his country courageously and with great personal sacrifice during World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War.

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the segment of State Route 53/State Route 141 described in this subsection as the "Colonel Bernie S. Bass Highway".

(o) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, both spans of the newly constructed bridge spanning the Elk River on U.S. Highway 64 in Lincoln County are hereby designated the "Donny Ray Hudson Memorial Bridge" as a lasting tribute to an excellent public servant and even more accomplished human being.

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating both the northern and southern span of the bridge described in this subsection as the "Donny Ray Hudson Memorial Bridge".

(p) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, that segment of State Route 224 in McNairy County from such route's intersection with State Route 142 to such route's intersection with Elzie Pounds Road is hereby designated the "Clay Wagoner Highway" in tribute to an excellent public servant and even more accomplished human being.

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the segment of State Route 224 described in this subsection as the "Clay Wagoner Highway".

(q) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the bridge (47-SR001-20.38) spanning the Norfolk-Southern railroad tracks on Magnolia Avenue (U.S. Highway 11/U.S. Highway 70/State Route 1) in Knoxville is hereby designated the "Casey C. Jones Memorial Bridge".

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the bridge described in this subsection as the "Casey C. Jones Memorial Bridge".

(r) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the bridge (47-3788-0.01) spanning James White Parkway (State Route 158) on Summit Hill Drive in Knoxville is hereby designated the "Robert J. Booker Bridge".

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the bridge described in this subsection as the "Robert J. Booker Bridge".

(s) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the segment of State Route 131 (East Emory Road) in Knox County from such route's intersection with Dry Gap Pike eastward to its intersection with U.S. Highway 441 (Norris Freeway) is hereby designated the "Zane Daniel Highway".

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the segment of State Route 131 described in this subsection as the "Zane Daniel Highway".

(t) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the overpass spanning U.S. Highway 25E on U.S. Highway 11W in Grainger County is hereby designated the "W.I. Daniel Overpass".

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the overpass described in this subsection as the "W.I. Daniel Overpass".

(u) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the bridge spanning the North Fork of the Obion River on State Route 118 between Latham and Dukedom in Weakley County is hereby designated the "Herman Neal Walker Memorial Bridge" as a lasting tribute to an

accomplished human being who was much beloved by his family, friends, colleagues, and neighbors.

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the bridge described in this Subsection 1 as the "Herman Neal Walker Memorial Bridge".

(v) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the segment of State Route 125 beginning at the structure that presently houses the Nelms Chevrolet Dealership in the City of Bolivar and continuing southward to its intersection with Peavine Road in Hardeman County is hereby designated as the "Lt. James E. Mills Memorial Highway" in recognition of an outstanding public servant who exemplified the true spirit of the Volunteer State.

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the segment of State Route 125 described in this subsection as the "Lt. James E. Mills Memorial Highway".

(w) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the bridge spanning Beaver Dam Creek on State Route 96 in Dickson County is hereby designated the "Daniel F. Hall Memorial Bridge" as a lasting tribute to an excellent public servant and even more accomplished human being.

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the bridge described in this subsection as the "Daniel F. Hall Memorial Bridge".

(x) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the bridge spanning the Hiwassee River on State Route 58 in Meigs County is hereby designated the "Cherokee Memorial Bridge".

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the bridge described in this subsection as the "Cherokee Memorial Bridge".

(y) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the bridge on State Route 68 that spans U.S. Highway 64 in Ducktown, Polk County, is hereby designated the "Veterans Memorial Bridge" in honor of the many brave Polk Countians who have served this great country in the United States Armed Forces.

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the bridge described in this subsection as the "Veterans Memorial Bridge".

(z) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the bridge spanning the Buffalo River on Highway 438 East in Perry County, State Bridge No. 68-SR438-20.29, is hereby designated the "John Will

Bates Memorial Bridge" as a lasting tribute to an excellent public servant and even more accomplished human being.

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the bridge described in this subsection as the "John Will Bates Memorial Bridge".

(aa) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, Tennessee Department of Transportation Bridge No. 28-15-10.11 on the U.S. Highway 64 Bypass in Giles County is hereby designated the "Harvey McClain Bridge" in honor of an exemplary veteran from Giles County who served his country with bravery and distinction in the United States Armed Forces.

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the bridge described in this subsection as the "Harvey McClain Bridge".

(bb) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the South Knoxville bridge over the Tennessee River on James White Parkway (State Route 158) in Knox County is hereby designated as the "James C. Ford Memorial Bridge" as a lasting tribute to an outstanding public servant who exemplified the true spirit of the Volunteer State.

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the bridge described in this subsection as the "James C. Ford Memorial Bridge".

(cc) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the new bridge in Haywood County on State Route 76 spanning Interstate 40 is hereby designated the "Jimmy Halbrook Memorial Bridge" as a lasting tribute to an excellent public servant and even more accomplished human being beloved by his family, friends, colleagues, and neighbors.

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the bridge described in Section 1 as the "Jimmy Halbrook Memorial Bridge".

SECTION 2. (a) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, it is the intent of this general assembly to name an appropriate bridge or bridges on State Route 840 (Tennessee National Guard Parkway) to honor the memory of CW3 William T. Flanigan of Milan, a valiant Tennessee National Guardsman who gave his life in service to his country.

(2) To effectuate the purposes of this resolution, the Department of Transportation shall identify an appropriate bridge or bridges on State Route 840 to bear CW3 William T. Flanigan's honorable name. The final decision in selecting the appropriate bridge or bridges shall be made in consultation with the representative and senator representing the legislative district in which CW3 Flanigan resided.

(3) The Department of Transportation shall erect suitable signs or affix suitable markers designating the selected bridge or bridges as the "CW3 William T. Flanigan Memorial Bridge".

(b) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the segment of Interstate 40 in Dickson and Williamson Counties between mile markers 177 and 182 is hereby designated as the "Trooper Todd M. Larkins Memorial Highway" as a lasting tribute to an exemplary public servant who made the ultimate sacrifice of his life while protecting and serving his fellow citizens.

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable markers or to affix suitable signs designating such segment of Interstate Highway 40 in Dickson and Williamson Counties as the "Trooper Todd M. Larkins Memorial Highway".

(c) (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the segment of Interstate 40 in Dickson County between mile markers 172 and 177 is hereby designated as the "Trooper Samuel F. Holcomb Memorial Highway" as a lasting tribute to an exemplary public servant who made the ultimate sacrifice of his life while protecting and serving his fellow citizens.

(2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable markers or to affix suitable signs designating such segment of Interstate Highway 40 in Dickson County as the "Trooper Samuel F. Holcomb Memorial Highway".

SECTION 3. The erection of the signs provided for in this act shall be within the guidelines prescribed by the *Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices*.

SECTION 4. This act shall become operative only if the federal highway administrator advises the Commissioner of Transportation in writing that the provisions of this act shall not render Tennessee in violation of federal laws and regulations and subject to penalties prescribed therein.

SECTION 5. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to that end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

**PASSED: June 12, 2007**



RON RAMSEY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 27th day of June 2007



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