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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
COMMITTEE ON
GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS
BILL RESEARCH & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT**

BILL #: HB 4457

RELATING TO: Road designations

SPONSOR(S): Representative King and others

COMPANION BILL(S):

ORIGINATING COMMITTEE(S)/COMMITTEE(S) OF REFERENCE:

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I. SUMMARY:

HB 4577 provides for the designation of the Florida Turnpike, from north Miami, to a junction with Interstate Highway 75 in North Central Florida, along with several other roadways, as the "Ronald Reagan Turnpike".

The bill also provides for the erection of suitable markers.

This bill appears to have no material fiscal impact on state or local governments.

II. SUBSTANTIVE RESEARCH:

A. PRESENT SITUATION:

Section 267.062, F.S., provides that, except as specifically provided by law, no state building, road, bridge, park, recreational complex, or other similar facility shall be named for any living person, and they generally are named after persons whose contributions to the state have been significant.

President Ronald Wilson Reagan served as the 40th President of the United States.

During his period of office, his leadership has been identified with numerous accomplishments, both in the United States, and abroad, including the end of the "Cold War", and the end of the Soviet bloc as dominant world military threat. The reduction of the threat of armed conflict resulted in a corresponding reduction in the number of Florida servicemen and servicewomen being placed in harm's way.

The economic circumstances accompanying his tenure as President include a significant reduction in the interest rates, and an extended period of economic growth.

President Reagan's emphasis on character, and his optimistic leadership style had their impact on those around him and on Americans throughout the country.

B. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

The Florida Turnpike will be designated, or redesignated, as the "Ronald Reagan Turnpike". Additionally, the Homestead extension in Dade County, the Sawgrass Expressway, the Seminole Expressway, the Veteran's Expressway, part of the Beeline Expressway, and part of the Greenway, would also be designated as part of the "Ronald Reagan Turnpike".

This bill provides an effective date of upon becoming a law.

C. APPLICATION OF PRINCIPLES:

1. Less Government:

a. Does the bill create, increase or reduce, either directly or indirectly:

(1) any authority to make rules or adjudicate disputes?

No.

(2) any new responsibilities, obligations or work for other governmental or private organizations or individuals?

No, other than that related to the procurement and placement of markers.

(3) any entitlement to a government service or benefit?

No.

b. If an agency or program is eliminated or reduced:

Not Applicable.

(1) what responsibilities, costs and powers are passed on to another program, agency, level of government, or private entity?

N/A

(2) what is the cost of such responsibility at the new level/agency?

N/A

(3) how is the new agency accountable to the people governed?

N/A

2. Lower Taxes:

a. Does the bill increase anyone's taxes?

No.

b. Does the bill require or authorize an increase in any fees?

No.

c. Does the bill reduce total taxes, both rates and revenues?

No.

d. Does the bill reduce total fees, both rates and revenues?

No.

e. Does the bill authorize any fee or tax increase by any local government?

No.

3. Personal Responsibility:

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- a. Does the bill reduce or eliminate an entitlement to government services or subsidy?

No.

- b. Do the beneficiaries of the legislation directly pay any portion of the cost of implementation and operation?

No.

4. Individual Freedom:

- a. Does the bill increase the allowable options of individuals or private organizations/associations to conduct their own affairs?

No.

- b. Does the bill prohibit, or create new government interference with, any presently lawful activity?

No.

5. Family Empowerment:

- a. If the bill purports to provide services to families or children:

Not Applicable.

- (1) Who evaluates the family's needs?

N/A

- (2) Who makes the decisions?

N/A

- (3) Are private alternatives permitted?

N/A

- (4) Are families required to participate in a program?

N/A

(5) Are families penalized for not participating in a program?

N/A

b. Does the bill directly affect the legal rights and obligations between family members?

No.

c. If the bill creates or changes a program providing services to families or children, in which of the following does the bill vest control of the program, either through direct participation or appointment authority:

Not Applicable.

(1) parents and guardians?

N/A

(2) service providers?

N/A

(3) government employees/agencies?

N/A

D. STATUTE(S) AFFECTED:

Creates an unnumbered section.

E. SECTION-BY-SECTION RESEARCH:

See EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES section.

III. FISCAL RESEARCH & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:

A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE AGENCIES/STATE FUNDS:

1. Non-recurring Effects:

None, other than the cost of procuring and erecting markers.

2. Recurring Effects:

None.

3. Long Run Effects Other Than Normal Growth:

None.

4. Total Revenues and Expenditures:

See 1. Non-recurring Effects.

B. FISCAL IMPACT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AS A WHOLE:

1. Non-recurring Effects:

None.

2. Recurring Effects:

None.

3. Long Run Effects Other Than Normal Growth:

None.

C. DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR:

1. Direct Private Sector Costs:

None.

2. Direct Private Sector Benefits:

None, other than revenue from the production and placement of markers.

3. Effects on Competition, Private Enterprise and Employment Markets:

None.

D. FISCAL COMMENTS:

None.

IV. CONSEQUENCES OF ARTICLE VII, SECTION 18 OF THE FLORIDA CONSTITUTION:

A. APPLICABILITY OF THE MANDATES PROVISION:

This bill does not require counties or municipalities to spend funds, or to take an action requiring the expenditure of funds.

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B. REDUCTION OF REVENUE RAISING AUTHORITY:

This bill does not reduce the authority that counties or municipalities have to raise revenues in the aggregate.

C. REDUCTION OF STATE TAX SHARED WITH COUNTIES AND MUNICIPALITIES:

This bill does not reduce the percentage of a state tax shared with counties or municipalities.

V. COMMENTS:

None.

VI. AMENDMENTS OR COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES:

At its meeting on April 15, 1998, the Committee on Governmental Operations adopted one amendment. The amendment removed from the bill references to roads other than the Florida Turnpike.

VII. SIGNATURES:

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