

# SENATE STAFF ANALYSIS AND ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL: CS/SB 1122  
SPONSOR: Transportation Committee, Senator Sebesta and others  
SUBJECT: Highway Designation  
DATE: December 18, 2003 REVISED: \_\_\_\_\_

	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1.	Davis	Meyer	TR	Favorable/CS
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## I. Summary:

This CS designates the Old Gandy access road in Hillsborough County from Gandy Boulevard to the Friendship Trail Bridge as the “Andrew J. Aviles Trail.” Also, this CS directs the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to erect suitable markers.

## II. Present Situation:

Section 334.071, F.S., provides: (1) For legislative designations of transportation facilities for honorary or memorial purposes, or to distinguish a particular facility, and may not be construed to require any action by local governments or private parties regarding the changing of any street signs, mailing addresses, or 911 emergency telephone number system listings, unless the legislation specifically provides for such changes; (2) When the Legislature establishes road or bridge designations, FDOT is required to place markers only at the termini specified for each highway segment or bridge designated by the law creating the designation, and to erect any other markers it deems appropriate for the transportation facility; and (3) The FDOT may not erect the markers for honorary road or bridge designations unless the affected city or county commission enacts a resolution supporting the designation. When the designated road or bridge segment is located in more than one city or county, resolutions supporting the designations must be passed by each affected local government prior to the erection of the markers.

## III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

This CS designates the Old Gandy access road in Hillsborough County from Gandy Boulevard to the Friendship Trail Bridge as the “Andrew J. Aviles Trail.” Also, this CS directs FDOT to erect suitable markers.

Andrew J. Aviles was a popular and talented 2002 graduate of T.R. Robinson High School in Tampa, Florida, who delayed his college education to serve as a Lance Corporal in the United States Marine Corps Reserve as a member of the 4<sup>th</sup> Assault Amphibian Battalion based in Tampa. Lance Corporal Aviles was killed in the line of duty on April 7, 2003, while securing a bridge during Operation Iraqi Freedom, and was posthumously decorated with a Purple Heart and the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal for Superior Performance in the line of duty.

**IV. Constitutional Issues:**

A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:

None.

B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

None.

**V. Economic Impact and Fiscal Note:**

A. Tax/Fee Issues:

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

None.

C. Government Sector Impact:

The FDOT will incur costs of approximately \$800 (from the State Transportation Trust Fund) for erecting markers for the designations. This is based on the assumption 2 markers will be erected at a cost of \$400 per marker. The department will also have to pay the recurring cost of maintaining these signs over time, and for future replacement of the signs as necessary.

**VI. Technical Deficiencies:**

None.

**VII. Related Issues:**

None.

**VIII. Amendments:**

None.

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