

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STAFF ANALYSIS

BILL #: HB 1129 Bridge Designation
SPONSOR(S): Harper
TIED BILLS: **IDEN./SIM. BILLS:** SB 552

REFERENCE	ACTION	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR
1) Transportation Systems (Sub)		Hammel	Miller
2) Transportation			
3) Transportation & Econ. Dev. Apps. (Sub)			
4) Appropriations			
5)			

SUMMARY ANALYSIS

Section 334.071, F.S., specifies the purpose and effect of the designation of roads, bridges, and other transportation facilities for honorary or memorial purposes by the Florida Legislature.

HB 1129 designates The Skypass Bridge, bridge number 930470, in the city of Riviera Beach in Palm Beach County as the "L. E. Buie Bridge."

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is directed to erect suitable markers to denote the honorary designations. The markers will cost approximately \$800.00.

HB 1129 does not create any constitutional issues. It takes effect upon becoming law.

This document does not reflect the intent or official position of the bill sponsor or House of Representatives.

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FULL ANALYSIS

I. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS

A. DOES THE BILL:

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| 1. Reduce government? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Lower taxes? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Expand individual freedom? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Increase personal responsibility? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. Empower families? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> | N/A <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

For any principle that received a "no" above, please explain:

B. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

Section 334.071, F.S., provides for legislative designations of transportation facilities for honorary or memorial purposes, or to distinguish a particular facility. The legislative designations do not "officially" change the current names of the facilities, nor does it require local governments and private entities to change street signs, mailing addresses, or 911 emergency telephone-number system listings. The statute requires FDOT to place a marker at each terminus or intersection of an identified road or bridge, and to erect other markers it deems appropriate for the transportation facility. The statute also provides that a city or county must pass a resolution in support of a particular designation before road markers are erected. Additionally, if the designated road segment extends through multiple cities or counties then a resolution must be passed by each affected local government.

Based on FDOT records, 999 honorary road and bridge designations have been approved since 1922, most of them by the Legislature. Some public roads and bridges have multiple or overlapping designations.

HB 1129 creates one additional road designation. HB 1129 designates The Skypass Bridge, bridge number 930470, in the city of Riviera Beach in Palm Beach County as the "L. E. Buie Bridge."

FDOT is directed to erect suitable markers for the designation.

C. SECTION DIRECTORY:

Section 1: Creates an honorary road designation in the City of Riviera Beach in Palm Beach County as the "L.E. Buie Bridge."

II. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE GOVERNMENT:

1. Revenues:

None

2. Expenditures:

FDOT estimates that the cost to erect suitable road designating markers is approximately \$800.00 per designation. The markers for the bill's one designation will cost approximately \$800.00. The

expenditure is from the State Transportation Trust Fund. FDOT is responsible for any future maintenance and replacement cost.

B. FISCAL IMPACT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS:

1. Revenues:

None

2. Expenditures:

None

C. DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR:

None

D. FISCAL COMMENTS:

None

III. COMMENTS

A. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES:

1. Applicability of Municipality/County Mandates Provision:

Not applicable

2. Other:

None

B. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY:

FDOT has sufficient rule-making authority to implement HB 1129.

C. DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS:

None

IV. AMENDMENTS/COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES