

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STAFF ANALYSIS

**BILL #:** HB 739 Bridge Designation  
**SPONSOR(S):** Representative(s)  
**TIED BILLS:** **IDEN./SIM. BILLS:** SB 1288

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REFERENCE	ACTION	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR
1) <u>Transportation Systems (Sub)</u>	<u>8 Y, 0 N</u>	<u>Hammel</u>	<u>Miller</u>
2) <u>Transportation</u>	<u></u>	<u></u>	<u></u>
3) <u>Transportation &amp; Econ. Dev. Apps. (Sub)</u>	<u></u>	<u></u>	<u></u>
4) <u>Appropriations</u>	<u></u>	<u></u>	<u></u>
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### 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 739 designates the Intracoastal Waterway bridge portion of the Wonderwood Connector on Wonderwood Road between Girvin Road and State Route A1A in Duval County as the "Charles E. Bennett Memorial 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 739 does not create any constitutional issues. It takes effect upon becoming law.

***(NOTE: The Transportation Systems Subcommittee adopted one amendment on March 3, 2004, before voting in favor of the bill. For details see section "Section IV. Amendments/Committee Substitute Changes" below.)***

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**DATE:** March 3, 2004

## 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 739 designates part of the State Highway System, the Intracoastal Waterway bridge portion of the Wonderwood Connector on Wonderwood Road between Girvin Road and State Route A1A in Duval County as the "Charles E. Bennett Memorial Bridge." FDOT is directed to erect suitable markers for the designation.

#### C. SECTION DIRECTORY:

Section 1: Designates part of the State Highway System, the Intracoastal Water bridge portion of the Wonderwood Connector on Wonderwood Road between Girvin Road and State Route A1A in Duval County as the "Charles E. Bennett Memorial 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 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 739.

**C. DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS:**

None

**a. AMENDMENTS/COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES**

On March 3, 2004, the Transportation Systems Subcommittee adopted without objection one amendment by the bill's sponsor.

The amendment adds the "C. Fred and Marvin Arrington Bridge" as an additional bridge to be designated. This additional bridge designation will cost \$800.00.

The subcommittee voted 8-0 in favor of the bill as amended

