

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STAFF ANALYSIS

BILL #: HB 9 w/CS Highway Designations- Brevard & Osceola
SPONSOR(S): Needelman
TIED BILLS: **IDEN./SIM. BILLS:** SB 1398, SB 534

REFERENCE	ACTION	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR
1) Transportation	21 Y, 0 N	Hammel	Miller
2) Transportation & Econ. Dev. Apps. (Sub)	16 Y, 0 N	McAiliffe	Hawkins
3) Appropriations		Hawkins	Baker
4)			
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.

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- A portion of U.S. Highway 192 from Interstate 95 in Brevard County to St. Cloud in Osceola County as Howard E. Futch Memorial Highway.
- State Road 121 within Baker County as the "Ed Fraser Memorial Highway"
- A portion of Interstate 95 in Nassau County as "Trooper Charles W. Parks Memorial Highway"
- State Road 121 proceeding south from the Union County line to the city limits of the City of Lake Butler as the "Deputy Renee Danell Azure Memorial Highway"
- A portion of Access Road Number 10-030-111 between Gandy Boulevard and the Friendship Trail Bridge (FDOT Number 10-068) in Hillsborough County as the "Andrew J. Aviles Trail"
- A portion of State Road 19 in Lake County, from the north end of Lake County to the intersection of State Road 19 and U.S. Highway 441 in Eustis as the "Private Robert M. McTureous, Jr., U.S.M.C., Medal of Honor Memorial Highway"
- The westbound and eastbound bridges of the replacement for I-4/St. Johns River Bridge as "The St. Johns River Veterans Memorial Bridge"
- The Panasoffkee Bridge (FDOT Number 180940) on I-75 in Sumter County as the "Florida Veterans Memorial Bridge"
- The Interchange of Interstate Highway 95 and State Road 100 at exit number 284 in Flagler County as the "Deputy Charles 'Chuck' Sease Memorial Interchange."

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is directed to erect suitable markers to denote the honorary designations. The markers will cost approximately \$7,200.00.

HB 9 w/CS 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.

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This bill directs FDOT to erect suitable markers for these designations.

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C. SECTION DIRECTORY:

Section 1: Creates an honorary road designation for Senator Howard E. Futch in Brevard and Osceola Counties. Directs FDOT to erect suitable markers designating the Highway

Section 2: Creates an honorary road designation for Mr. Ed Fraser in Baker County. Directs FDOT to erect suitable markers designating the Highway

Section 3: Creates an honorary road designation for Trooper Charles Parks in Nassau County. Directs FDOT to erect suitable markers designating the Highway

Section 4: Creates an honorary road designation for Deputy Renee Danell Azure in Union County. Directs FDOT to erect suitable markers designating the Highway

Section 5: Creates an honorary road designation for Mr. Andrew J. Aviles in Hillsborough County. Directs FDOT to erect suitable markers designating the Trail

Section 6: Creates an honorary road designation for Private Robert M. McTureous, Jr., in Lake County. Directs FDOT to erect suitable markers designating the Highway

Section 7: Creates an honorary road designation in Volusia and Seminole Counties as the "St. John's River Memorial Bridge." Directs FDOT to erect suitable markers designating the Bridge

Section 8: Creates an honorary road designation in Sumter County as the "Florida Veterans Memorial Bridge." Directs FDOT to erect suitable markers designating the Bridge

Section 9: Creates an honorary road designation for Deputy Charles "Chuck" Sease in Flagler County. Directs FDOT to erect suitable markers designating the Interchange

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 nine designations will cost approximately \$7,200.00. 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 9 w/CS

C. DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS: None

IV. AMENDMENTS/COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES

At its January 21, meeting the Transportation Committee adopted without objection five amendments to HB 9 that added eight additional road designations to the legislation. The eight additional road designations are:

- State Road 121 within Baker County as the “Ed Fraser Memorial Highway”
- A portion of Interstate 95 in Nassau County as “Trooper Charles W. Parks Memorial Highway”
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The Committee voted in favor of the bill 21-0, and the bill was reported favorably with a Committee Substitute.

At its March 9, meeting the Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation and Economic Development adopted without objection four amendments adding four additional road designations to the legislation. The four additional road designations are:

- A portion of Interstate 4 in Orange County as “Larry E. Smedley Medal of Honor Highway”

- A portion of U.S. Highway 17 in Putnam County as “Jerome A. Williams Memorial Highway”
- The bridge over Sebastian Inlet in Brevard and Indian River Counties (FDOT Number 880005) as “James H. Pruitt Memorial Bridge”
- The Buckhorn Creek Bridge in Wakulla County (FDOT Number 59.005) as the “Arthor L. Andrews Bridge”

The Committee voted in favor of the bill 16-0, and the committee substitute was reported favorably with amendments.