

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STAFF ANALYSIS

BILL #: CS/HB 533 Designation of State Transportation Facilities

SPONSOR(S): Thompson

TIED BILLS: **IDEN./SIM. BILLS:**

REFERENCE	ACTION	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR or BUDGET/POLICY CHIEF
1) Transportation & Highway Safety Subcommittee	11 Y, 0 N, As CS	Johnson	Kruse
2) Economic Affairs Committee			

SUMMARY ANALYSIS

State law 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 the law require local governments and private entities to change street signs, mailing addresses, or 911 emergency telephone-number system listings.

The bill designates Edna S. Hargrett-Thrower Avenue in Orange County and Tanya Martin Oubre Pikel Street in Miami-Dade County. The bill directs the Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers for these designations.

The bill has an estimated negative fiscal impact of \$2,000, which is the cost to the Department of Transportation to erect the markers.

FULL ANALYSIS

I. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS

A. 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 the statute require local governments and private entities to change street signs, mailing addresses, or 911 emergency telephone-number system listings.

The statute requires the Department of Transportation (DOT) to place a marker at each termini 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, a resolution must be passed by each affected local government.

Edna Sampson Hargrett-Thrower was the head of the Choral Music department at Jones High School in Orlando. She passed away on April 19, 2010.

Tanya Martin Oubre Pekel was a Miami native who served as an associate director of Education and Policy Planning in the Clinton White House. She passed away on May 22, 2006.

Effect of Proposed Change

The bill makes the following honorary designation:

- That portion of Orange Blossom Trail between Gore Street and Church Street in Orange County as “Edna S. Hargrett-Thrower Avenue.”
- That portion of State Road 932/NE 103rd Street between N.W. 3rd Avenue and N.E. 6th Avenue in Miami-Dade County as “Tanya Martin Oubre Pekel Street.”

The bill directs DOT to erect suitable markers designating the above designation.

The bill has an effective date of July 1, 2012.

B. SECTION DIRECTORY:

Section 1 Designates Edna S. Hargrett-Thrower Avenue; directs DOT to erect suitable markers.

Section 2 Designates Tanya Martin Oubre Pekel Street; directs DOT to erect suitable markers.

Section 3 Provides an effective date.

II. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE GOVERNMENT:

1. Revenues:

None.

2. Expenditures:

DOT will incur costs of approximately \$2,000 (from the State Transportation Trust Fund) for erecting markers for the designations. This is based on the assumption that two markers for each

designation will be erected at a cost of \$500 per marker. DOT will also incur the recurring costs of maintaining these signs over time, and for future replacement of the signs as necessary.

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. This bill does not appear to require counties or municipalities to spend funds or take action requiring the expenditures of funds; reduce the authority that counties or municipalities have to raise revenues in the aggregate; or reduce the percentage of state tax shared with counties or municipalities.

2. Other:

None.

B. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY:

None.

C. DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS:

None.

IV. AMENDMENTS/ COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES

On December 6, 2011, the Transportation & Highway Safety Subcommittee adopted one amendment designating Tanya Martin Oubre Pekel Street.