

The Florida Senate
BILL ANALYSIS AND FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

(This document is based on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

Prepared By: The Professional Staff of the Transportation Committee

BILL: CS/SB 954

INTRODUCER: Transportation Committee and Senator Margolis

SUBJECT: Transportation Facility Designations

DATE: February 6, 2012 **REVISED:** _____

	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1.	Abrams	Buford	TR	Fav/CS
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6.	_____	_____	_____	_____

Please see Section VIII. for Additional Information:

A. COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE..... Statement of Substantial Changes

B. AMENDMENTS..... Technical amendments were recommended

Amendments were recommended

Significant amendments were recommended

I. Summary:

The bill creates a number of honorary designations of transportation facilities around the state. Designations are as follows:

- The portion of State Road 824 between Interstate 95/State Road 9 and U.S. 1/State Road 5 in Broward County is designated as “Mardi Gras Way.”
- The portion of U.S. 441/State Road 7 between Pembroke Road and State Road 852/N.W. 215th Street/County Line Road in Broward County is designated as “West Park Boulevard.”
- The portion of State Road 858/Hallandale Beach Boulevard between Interstate 95/State Road 9 and S.W. 56th Avenue in Broward County is designated as “Pembroke Park Boulevard.”

II. Present Situation:

Section 334.071, F.S., provides that legislative designations of transportation facilities are for honorary or memorial purposes, or to distinguish a particular facility. Such designations are not to be construed as requiring 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.

When the Legislature establishes road or bridge designations, the Florida Department of Transportation (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

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:

Section 1: Designates the portion of State Road 824 between Interstate 95/State Road 9 and U.S. 1/State Road 5 in Broward County as “Mardi Gras Way.” The bill directs FDOT to erect suitable markers.

The City of Hallandale recognizes pari-mutual gaming as part of Florida's history. The city has made efforts to be gaming friendly to bolster marketing and economic development.

Section 2: Designates the portion of U.S. 441/State Road 7 between State Road 824/Pembroke Road and State Road 852/N.W. 215th Street/County Line Road in Broward County as “West Park Boulevard.” The bill directs FDOT to erect suitable markers.

The City Commission of West Park recognizes the designated West Park Boulevard as a means to increase visibility.

Section 3: Designates the portion of State Road 858/Hallandale Beach Boulevard between Interstate 95/State Road 9 and S.W. 56th Avenue in Broward County as “Pembroke Park Boulevard.” The bill directs FDOT to erect suitable markers. The City of Hallandale Beach has requested this designation.

Section 4: Provides an effective date of July 1, 2012, if passed by the Legislature.

IV. Constitutional Issues:

A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:

None.

B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

None.

V. Fiscal Impact Statement:

A. Tax/Fee Issues:

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

C. Government Sector Impact:

Staff estimates the cost to erect road designation markers required under this bill to be at least \$3,000. This is based on the assumption that six markers will be erected for three road designations at a cost of no less than \$500 each. This includes sign fabrication, installation, and maintenance over time. The estimate does not include any additional expenses related to maintenance of traffic, dedication event costs, or replacement necessitated by damage, vandalism, or storm events.

VI. Technical Deficiencies:

None.

VII. Related Issues:

None.

VIII. Additional Information:

A. Committee Substitute – Statement of Substantial Changes:
(Summarizing differences between the Committee Substitute and the prior version of the bill.)

CS by Transportation Committee on February 7, 2012:

The committee substitute makes technical changes to accurately reflect the designations' locations.

B. Amendments:

None.