



OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: H.B. 136 of the 132nd G.A.

Status: As Reported by House Transportation and Public Safety

Sponsor: Rep. Arndt

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Subject: Designates the SGT David Sexton Memorial Highway and the SGT Glen Millinger Memorial Highway

As a result of the bill, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) will incur a minimal cost for producing memorial signs, and ODOT and the village of Berlin Heights will incur minimal costs for installing them. Specifically, the bill designates two memorial highways: (1) the SGT David Sexton Memorial Highway, which is to be on a span of State Route 61 within the village of Berlin Heights in Erie County, and (2) the SGT Glen Millinger Memorial Highway, which is to be on Benton-Carroll Road within an unincorporated area in Ottawa County.

If a memorial highway starts or ends inside the boundaries of a municipality, ODOT produces the signs for the city or village and may request reimbursement for the cost. ODOT, however, does not currently seek this reimbursement. The signs are installed by municipal workers, though, resulting in minimal costs for the cities and villages where the memorial highway is located. For memorial highways in unincorporated parts of the state, ODOT produces and installs the signs. According to ODOT, the cost of producing and installing a set of signs for memorial highways and bridges is approximately \$350 to \$400, including materials and labor. Two markers are usually installed, one in each direction at each location. Once a set of signs is installed, there are typically no maintenance costs unless the signs are damaged. Signs usually need to be replaced every 12 to 15 years.

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