

# **Ohio Legislative Service Commission**

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## **Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement**

**Bill**: S.B. 196 of the 131st G.A. **Date**: October 9, 2015

**Status**: As Reported by Senate Transportation, **Sponsor**: Sen. Widener

Commerce & Labor

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Contents: Designates the LCPL Brent Turner U.S.M.C. Memorial Highway

### **State Fiscal Highlights**

 The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) could incur costs of approximately \$350 to \$400 per sign to provide appropriate markers along the designated portion of State Route 72 in Greene County. ODOT would be reimbursed by the villages of Cedarville and Clifton for these costs.

### **Local Fiscal Highlights**

• The villages of Cedarville and Clifton will both incur costs of between \$350 and \$400 per sign to reimburse ODOT for producing and installing the memorial signs.

#### **Detailed Fiscal Analysis**

The bill designates a stretch of State Route 72 in Greene County, running between U.S. Route 42 and State Route 343, as the LCPL Brent Turner U.S.M.C. Memorial Highway. When a roadway is named by the General Assembly, the common practice is to install a memorial marker in a rest area, scenic overlook, or other appropriate location. If this is not practical, a marker is installed along the roadway instead. Two markers are usually installed, one in each direction at each location.

The roadway named in the bill extends in a northerly direction between endpoints within the villages of Cedarville and Clifton, respectively. In cases where memorial roadways fall on U.S. or state routes within the boundaries of a municipal corporation, ODOT's Traffic Engineering Manual states that ODOT may furnish signs for a fee that covers the cost of producing the signs. The two villages would each incur costs for installing the signs, which according to ODOT can be approximately \$350 to \$400 per sign, including materials and labor. Once a set of signs is installed, typically there are no maintenance costs unless the signs are damaged. Signs are usually in need of replacement every 12 to 15 years.

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