



OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: H.B. 311 of the 132nd G.A.

Status: As Reported by House Transportation and Public Safety

Sponsor: Rep. Johnson, T.

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Subject: Designates the Roy Rogers Happy Trails 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 Otway will incur minimal costs for installing them. Specifically, the bill designates a span of State Route 348 within Scioto County as the Roy Rogers Happy Trails Highway. The stretch is to span between the state route's intersections with State Route 104 and State Route 73. One end of the stretch lies in the village of Otway, and the other is in an unincorporated area of Scioto County.

If a memorial highway begins or ends inside 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. 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. For this memorial highway, the cost is thus shared between the Department and the village of Otway. 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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