

OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

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

Bill: S.B. 134 of the 132nd G.A.

Status: As Passed by the Senate

Sponsor: Sen. Gardner

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Subject: Designates the Lt Col Thomas P. Belkofer Memorial Highway

As a result of the bill, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) will incur a minimal cost for producing memorial signs for this memorial roadway, and ODOT and the city of Perrysburg will each incur minimal costs for installing them. Specifically, the bill designates a stretch of State Route 795 in Wood County as the Lt Col Thomas P. Belkofer Memorial Highway. This portion of the roadway spans State Route 795 between Simmons Road on the west and Tracy Road on the east. Simmons Road is located in the city of Perrysburg.

If a memorial highway begins or ends inside of a municipality, ODOT produces the signs and may request reimbursement from the municipality 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 municipality 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. 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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