

OHIO LEGISLATIVE SERVICE COMMISSION

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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

Bill: H.B. 401 of the 132nd G.A. **Status:** As Introduced

Sponsor: Rep. Holmes Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

Subject: Designates the Purple Heart Veterans Memorial Bridge

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) will incur a minimal cost for producing memorial signs for this memorial bridge and the city of Girard will incur minimal costs for installing them. Specifically, the bill designates the bridge spanning Squaw Creek on U.S. Route 422 in the city of Girard within Trumbull County as the Purple Heart Veterans Memorial Bridge.

If a memorial marker is to be located 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 marker is to be 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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