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# **Transportation & Infrastructure Subcommittee**

October 11, 2017  
3:30 PM – 5:30 PM  
Reed Hall (102 HOB)

## **Meeting Packet**

# Committee Meeting Notice

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

### Transportation & Infrastructure Subcommittee

**Start Date and Time:** Wednesday, October 11, 2017 03:30 pm  
**End Date and Time:** Wednesday, October 11, 2017 05:30 pm  
**Location:** Reed Hall (102 HOB)  
**Duration:** 2.00 hrs

**Consideration of the following bill(s):**

HB 109 Transportation Facility Designations by Drake  
HB 127 Transportation Facility Designations by McGhee  
HB 171 Transportation Facility Designations by Williamson

Overview of the Specialty License Plate Program



Update on implementation of chapter 2017-42, Laws of Florida (CS/CS/CS/HB 865, 2017), relating to the Department of Transportation

**NOTICE FINALIZED on 10/04/2017 4:12PM by Larson.Lisa**



## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STAFF ANALYSIS

**BILL #:** HB 109 Transportation Facility Designations  
**SPONSOR(S):** Drake  
**TIED BILLS:** IDEN./SIM. **BILLS:** SB 330

REFERENCE	ACTION	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR or BUDGET/POLICY CHIEF
1) Transportation & Infrastructure Subcommittee		Johnson 	Vickers 
2) Transportation & Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee			
3) Government Accountability Committee			

### SUMMARY ANALYSIS

State law authorizes legislative designations of transportation facilities for honorary or memorial purposes or to distinguish a particular facility. The legislative designations do not officially change the current names of the facilities, nor does the law require local governments and private entities to change street signs, mailing addresses, or 911 emergency telephone system listings.

The bill creates the Lieutenant Ewart T. Sconiers Highway in Walton County and directs the Department of Transportation (DOT) to erect suitable markers for the designation.

DOT estimates a \$1,000 negative fiscal impact to the State Transportation Trust Fund associated with erecting suitable markers for the above designation. The cost can be absorbed within existing DOT resources.

## FULL ANALYSIS

### I. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS

#### A. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

##### **Current Situation**

Section 334.071, F.S., authorizes legislative designations of transportation facilities for honorary or memorial purposes or to distinguish a particular facility. The legislative designations do not officially change the current names of the facilities nor does the statute require local governments and private entities to change street signs, mailing addresses, or 911 emergency telephone-number system listings.

The Department of Transportation (DOT) must place a marker at each termini or intersection of an identified road or bridge and erect other markers it deems appropriate for the transportation facility. The appropriate city or county commission must pass a resolution in support of a particular designation before road markers are erected. Additionally, if the designated road segment extends through multiple cities or counties, a resolution must be passed by each affected local government.

##### **Proposed Changes**

The bill designates that portion of U.S. 90/S.R. 10 between S.R. 285 and N. 9<sup>th</sup> Street/S.R. 83N. in Walton County as "Lieutenant Ewart T. Sconiers Highway."

Lieutenant Sconiers was born and raised in DeFuniak Springs, and attended the University of Florida. He was shot down and captured by the Germans on October 21, 1942. He was imprisoned in German-occupied Poland and passed away there on January 24, 1944. In April of 2017, his remains were found and positively identified. Lieutenant Sconiers will be buried in DeFuniak Springs with full military honors on January 27, 2018.<sup>1</sup>

The bill directs DOT to erect suitable markers for the above designation.

#### B. SECTION DIRECTORY:

Section 1 designates Lieutenant Ewart T. Sconiers Highway and directs DOT to erect suitable markers.

Section 2 provides an effective date of July 1, 2018.

### II. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

#### A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE GOVERNMENT:

##### 1. Revenues:

None.

##### 2. Expenditures:

DOT estimates a cost of \$1,000 per designation for the appropriate markers, which provides for two signs per designation at \$500 per sign.<sup>2</sup> Therefore, the bill has an estimated negative fiscal impact of \$1,000 to the State Transportation Trust Fund. This cost can be absorbed within existing DOT resources.

#### B. FISCAL IMPACT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS:

<sup>1</sup> <http://www.bringsconiershome.com/home> (Last visited August 29, 2017).

<sup>2</sup> Email for Florida Department of Transportation, August 28, 2017.

1. Revenues:

None.

2. Expenditures:

None.

C. DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR:

None.

D. FISCAL COMMENTS:

None.

### **III. COMMENTS**

A. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES:

1. Applicability of Municipality/County Mandates Provision:

Not applicable. This bill does not appear to affect county or municipal government.

2. Other:

None.

B. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY:

None.

C. DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS:

None.

### **IV. AMENDMENTS/ COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES**

1                                   A bill to be entitled  
 2           An act relating to transportation facility  
 3           designations; providing honorary designation of a  
 4           certain transportation facility in a specified county;  
 5           directing the Department of Transportation to erect  
 6           suitable markers; providing an effective date.

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 8   Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 10           Section 1. Lieutenant Ewart T. Sconiers Highway  
 11 designated; Department of Transportation to erect suitable  
 12 markers.-

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 14 N. 9th Street/S.R. 83 N. in Walton County is designated as  
 15 "Lieutenant Ewart T. Sconiers Highway."

16           (2) The Department of Transportation is directed to erect  
 17 suitable markers designating Lieutenant Ewart T. Sconiers  
 18 Highway as described in subsection (1).

19           Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.







## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STAFF ANALYSIS

**BILL #:** HB 127 Transportation Facility Designations

**SPONSOR(S):** McGhee

**TIED BILLS:** IDEN./SIM. **BILLS:**

REFERENCE	ACTION	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR or BUDGET/POLICY CHIEF
1) Transportation & Infrastructure Subcommittee		Johnson 	Vickers 
2) Transportation & Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee			
3) Government Accountability Committee			

### SUMMARY ANALYSIS

State law authorizes legislative designations of transportation facilities for honorary or memorial purposes or to distinguish a particular facility. The legislative designations do not officially change the current names of the facilities, nor does the law require local governments and private entities to change street signs, mailing addresses, or 911 emergency telephone system listings.

The bill creates the Steve Mainster Memorial Drive in Miami-Dade County and directs the Department of Transportation (DOT) to erect suitable markers for the designation.

DOT estimates a \$1,000 negative fiscal impact to the State Transportation Trust Fund associated with erecting suitable markers for the above designation. The cost can be absorbed within existing DOT resources.

## FULL ANALYSIS

### I. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS

#### A. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

##### **Current Situation**

Section 334.071, F.S., authorizes legislative designations of transportation facilities for honorary or memorial purposes or to distinguish a particular facility. The legislative designations do not officially change the current names of the facilities nor does the statute require local governments and private entities to change street signs, mailing addresses, or 911 emergency telephone-number system listings.

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##### **Proposed Changes**

The bill designates that portion of S.R. 9336/S.W. 344<sup>th</sup> Street/W. Palm Drive between S.W. 192<sup>nd</sup> Avenue/Tower Road and S.W. 177<sup>th</sup> Avenue/S. Krome Avenue in Miami-Dade County as "Steve Mainster Memorial Drive.

Steve Mainster was the Executive Director of Centro Campesino-Farmworker Center, Inc., since its founding in 1973. Centro Campesino is a nationally recognized community development organization serving farmworkers and other low-income families in Florida. Mr. Mainster previously served as a Peace Corps volunteer in Peru. Mr. Mainster passed away on July 10, 2017.

The bill directs DOT to erect suitable markers for the above designation.

#### B. SECTION DIRECTORY:

Section 1 designates Steve Mainster Memorial Drive and directs DOT to erect suitable markers.

Section 2 provides an effective date of July 1, 2018.

### II. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

#### A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE GOVERNMENT:

##### 1. Revenues:

None.

##### 2. Expenditures:

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#### B. FISCAL IMPACT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS:

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<sup>1</sup> Email for Florida Department of Transportation, August 28, 2017.

1. Revenues:

None.

2. Expenditures:

None.

C. DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR:

None.

D. FISCAL COMMENTS:

None.

### **III. COMMENTS**

A. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES:

1. Applicability of Municipality/County Mandates Provision:

Not applicable. This bill does not appear to affect county or municipal government.

2. Other:

None.

B. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY:

None.

C. DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS:

None.

### **IV. AMENDMENTS/ COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES**

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



## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STAFF ANALYSIS

**BILL #:** HB 171 Transportation Facility Designations

**SPONSOR(S):** Williamson and others

**TIED BILLS:** IDEN./SIM. **BILLS:** SB 358

REFERENCE	ACTION	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR or BUDGET/POLICY CHIEF
1) Transportation & Infrastructure Subcommittee		Johnson 	Vickers 
2) Transportation & Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee			
3) Government Accountability Committee			

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The bill creates the Senator Greg Evers Memorial Highway in Santa Rosa and Okaloosa Counties and directs the Department of Transportation (DOT) to erect suitable markers for the designation.

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##### **Proposed Changes**

The bill designates that portion of S.R. 4 between Munson Highway and S.R. 189 in Santa Rosa and Okaloosa Counties as Senator Greg Evers Memorial Highway.

Senator Greg Evers was a fifth-generation northwest Floridian whose primary career was in agriculture. He served in the Florida House of Representatives from 2001 to 2010 and in the Florida Senate from 2010 to 2016. Throughout his legislative career, Senator Evers was recognized as a champion for law enforcement, first responders and veterans. Senator Evers passed away on August 22, 2017.

The bill directs DOT to erect suitable markers for the above designation.

#### B. SECTION DIRECTORY:

Section 1 designates Senator Greg Evers Memorial Highway and directs DOT to erect suitable markers.

Section 2 provides an effective date of July 1, 2018.

### II. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

#### A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE GOVERNMENT:

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C. DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR:

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None.

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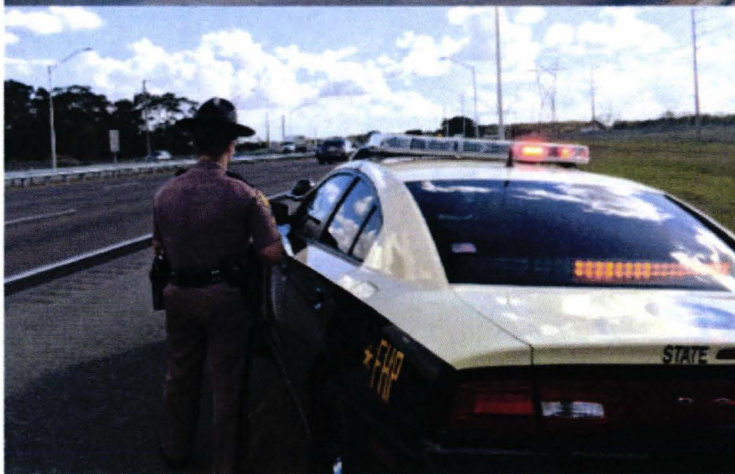
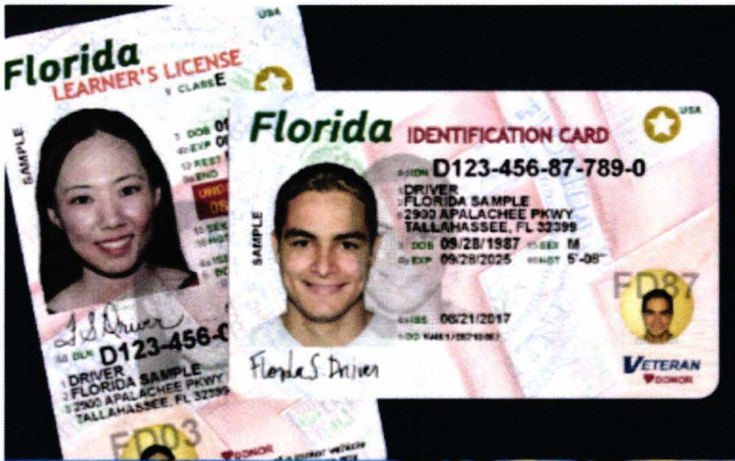
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# Specialty License Plates

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Subcommittee*

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HIGHWAY SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLES



# Overview of Specialty License Plates

- The first specialty plates were enacted in 1986. This act included the creation of the Challenger license plate and 10 university plates.
- Currently 123 specialty license plates
  - Collegiate, Environmental/Wildlife, Military, Sports, Special Interest
  - Special plates require specific qualifications
    - Commercial Vehicle, Disabled, Emergency Personnel, Governmental, Diplomatic/Legislative, Military
- During Fiscal Year 2016-2017, over 37 million dollars distributed to statutorily approved organizations.



# Establishing a Specialty License Plate

- License plate must be enacted into law
- Department begins the pre-sale voucher process
  - 2 years to sell 1,000 pre-sale vouchers
- Plate is designed and approved
  - Includes HSMV, Organization, PRIDE, Law Enforcement
- Once 1,000 sold, plate is manufactured and distributed to tax collectors and license plate agents
- If 1,000 not sold within 2-year period, voucher process ends and the plate is discontinued



# Maintaining Valid Status

- Organizations (excluding collegiate) must maintain 1,000 active registrations.
- Every month, the numbers of active registrations is reviewed.
- Any organization falling below 1,000 active registrations is placed on probation for 1 year, and notification of probation is sent to the organization.
- If they do not reach 1,000 active registrations during that year, the plate is discontinued and will no longer be available for renewal, replacement or original issuance.
- However, if the registration threshold is reached at any time during that year, the organization is removed from probation.

# Audit & Attestation

- If annual expenditures are **less than \$750,000** for all **State** financial assistance from any State agency or not-for-profit entity, an **attestation** (Affidavit Form) must be submitted to DHSMV within 9 months of entity's fiscal year end.
- Otherwise, a CPA **audit** in accordance with F.S. 215.97 (Florida Single Audit) must be filed with DHSMV and Auditor General within 45 days after delivery of the audit to the entity, but no later than 9 months of entity's fiscal year end.

## What's the Difference?

**Audit** – An audit is conducted by a certified public accountant and would include a detailed review of all revenues and expenditures to ensure compliance with all applicable statutes.

**Attestation** – An attestation document lists all revenues and expenditures received by the organization. The head of the organization attests and affirms, under penalties of perjury, that the funds have been spent in accordance with applicable statutes.

**Questions?**