

Legislative Analysis



HIGHWAY NAME: KEVIN SHERWOOD MEMORIAL HWY

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Senate Bill 1160 as passed by the Senate

Sponsor: Sen. Michelle A. McManus

Committee: Transportation

Complete to 5-24-04

A SUMMARY OF SENATE BILL 1160 AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE:

Senate Bill 1160 would amend Public Act 142 of 2001, the Michigan Memorial Highway Act, (MCL 250.1001 et seq.) by adding Section 82 to designate highway US-127 in Clare County as the "Kevin Sherwood Memorial Highway".

FISCAL IMPACT:

Section 2 of PA 142 indicates that the state transportation department shall only provide for the erection of suitable markers indicating the name of the highway "*when sufficient private contributions are received to completely cover the cost of erecting and maintaining those markers.*" As a result, the bill has no state or local fiscal impact.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The following information is derived from the Senate Fiscal Agency's analysis of the bill dated 5-6-04.

On October 9, 2003, Clare County Sheriff's Deputy Kevin Sherwood was responding to a 9-1-1 call about a drunk driver traveling the wrong direction on US-127, when the driver hit his patrol car head-on, killing him. Deputy Sherwood was a nine-year veteran of the Sheriff's Department and the first Clare County deputy to be killed in the line of duty. It has been suggested that a section of highway should be named for him to commemorate his service to the community.

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