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House Bill 4957 (Substitute H-1 as passed by the House)
Sponsor: Representative Frank Foster
House Committee: Transportation and Infrastructure
Senate Committee: Transportation

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Memorial Highway Act to designate the bridge on Highway US-2 over the Cut River in Mackinac County as the "Heath Michael Robinson Cut River Memorial Bridge".

Proposed MCL 250.1068

BACKGROUND

Special Operator Senior Chief (Navy SEAL) Heath M. Robinson died on August 6, 2011, when the Chinook helicopter he was riding in was shot down in Afghanistan. He was 34 years old at the time. His decorations included four Bronze Stars, three with "V" for valor; Joint Service Commendation Medal; three Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medals, including two with "V" for valor; Combat Action Ribbon; two Presidential Unit Citations; Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation; and others. Mr. Robinson was a 1995 graduate of Petoskey High School.

Legislative Analyst: Julie Cassidy

FISCAL IMPACT

Section 2 of the Act requires the Michigan Department of Transportation to provide for the erection and maintenance of suitable markers only when sufficient private contributions are received to pay the cost of erecting and maintaining those markers. Therefore, the bill would have no fiscal impact on the State. According to the Department, the cost for fabrication and installation of a sign ranges from \$500 to \$5,800, depending on the type of the road, size of the sign, and region of the State where the sign will be located.

The bill would have no fiscal impact on local government.

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