

# Legislative Analysis



## PETER A. PETTALIA MEMORIAL HIGHWAY

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**Senate Bill 622 (H-1) as reported from House committee**

**Sponsor: Sen. Jim Stamas**

**House Committee: Transportation and Infrastructure**

**Senate Committee: Transportation**

**Complete to 5-30-18**

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*(Enacted as Public Act 215 of 2018)*

### SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 622 would amend the Michigan Memorial Highway Act to designate the portion of highway US-23 between Maple Drive and Misiak Highway in Presque Isle County as the "Peter A. Pettalia Memorial Highway."

Proposed MCL 250.1012b

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Representative Peter A. Pettalia, elected in 2010, was serving his third and final term in the House of Representatives when he was killed on the evening of September 12, 2016 on M-33, just south of Atlanta, Michigan, en route to Lansing on his motorcycle.

During his final term as legislator, Representative Pettalia, chaired the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and served as vice chair of the Financial Services Committee. He served as Presque Isle Township supervisor for 16 years and as a volunteer firefighter for 15 years. He also helped run an auto repair business for more than 30 years, according to his official biography. Dedicating a portion of highway US-23 would be a fitting way to honor his long career committed to helping the people he represented and served, whether as a volunteer firefighter, a township supervisor, or a state representative.

### FISCAL IMPACT:

Section 2 of the Michigan Memorial Highway Act indicates that the state transportation department shall provide for the erection of suitable markers indicating the name of the highway only "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.

### POSITIONS:

The Michigan Department of Transportation has no position on the bill. (5-29-18)

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