



ANALYSIS

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Senate Bill 963 (as passed by the Senate)

Sponsor: Senator Mike Green Committee: Transportation

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RATIONALE

PFC Alan Robert Blohm died at the age of 21 on December 31, 2006, after being wounded during his deployment in Iraq. He joined the United States Army in September 2005 while living in Alaska, and was deployed to Iraq on October 1, 2006, as a member of the 425th Brigade Special Troops Battalion, 4th Airborne Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division, and was stationed near Baghdad. To honor his sacrifice and service, it has been suggested that a highway in Bay County, where he was from, should be named after PFC Blohm.

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Memorial Highway Act to designate the portion of highway M-13 in Bay County as the "PFC Alan Robert Blohm Memorial Highway".

The bill would take effect 90 days after it was enacted.

Proposed MCL 250.1018

ARGUMENTS

(Please note: The arguments contained in this analysis originate from sources outside the Senate Fiscal Agency. The Senate Fiscal Agency neither supports nor opposes legislation.)

Supporting Argument

PFC Blohm was born on July 26, 1985, in Kawkawlin Township, in Bay County, Michigan, and attended and graduated from Bay City Western High School. Although he spent many summers in Kenai, Alaska, PFC Blohm had established roots in Michigan. Naming a highway in his home county after him would be a fitting way to commemorate his sacrifice and memorialize him.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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