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ANALYSIS

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House Bill 4057 (as passed by the House)
Sponsor: Representative Eric Leutheuser
House Committee: Transportation and Infrastructure
Senate Committee: Transportation

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Memorial Highway Act to name the portion of highway US-12 within the city limits of the City of Jonesville as the "James Bondsteel Memorial Highway".

The bill would take effect 90 days after its enactment.

Proposed MCL 250.1007a

BACKGROUND

Army Staff Sergeant James Bondsteel was presented the Congressional Medal of Honor by President Richard Nixon in 1973 for his heroism and actions during the Vietnam War. According to The American Presidency Project, President Nixon stated that Staff Sergeant Bondsteel was presented the award "for conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action at the risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty". On May 24, 1969, Staff Sergeant Bondsteel distinguished himself while serving as a platoon sergeant with Company A, 2d Battalion, 2d Infantry, 1st Infantry Division, near the village of Lang Sau in Vietnam. Staff Sergeant Bondsteel's "exemplary leadership and great personal courage throughout the four hour battle ensured the success of his own and nearby units, and resulted in the saving of numerous lives of his fellow soldiers. By individual acts of bravery he destroyed ten enemy bunkers and accounted for a large toll of the enemy, including two key enemy commanders."

Staff Sergeant Bondsteel died in a car accident in Alaska in 1987. He was born in Jackson, Michigan, and graduated from Jonesville High School in Hillsdale County.

Legislative Analyst: Drew Krogulecki

FISCAL IMPACT

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

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