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Senate Bill 132 (as enrolled)
Sponsor: Senator Dale W. Zorn
Senate Committee: Transportation and Infrastructure
House Committee: Transportation
Ways and Means

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RATIONALE

On May 14, 1971, around 1:15 am, State Trooper Rodger M. Adams and his partner were dispatched to investigate a crash. While driving toward the scene of the crash, an oncoming car skidded and crossed the center line of the roadway, hitting Trooper Adams's cruiser head-on. Trooper Adams was killed instantly. He was the 25th Michigan State Police (MSP) trooper to die in the line of duty. To honor his service and sacrifice, it has been suggested that a portion of US-12 in Lenawee County be named after Trooper Adams.

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Memorial Highway Act to designate the portion of US-12 in Lenawee County beginning at Highway M-52 and continuing west to Monagan Highway as the "Trooper Rodger M. Adams Memorial Highway".

Currently, the portion of Highway US-12 beginning at Highway M-1 in Detroit and extending west to Lake Michigan is known as the "Pulaski Memorial Highway". The Code also designates Highway US-12 in Wayne County extending west to the Michigan-Indiana state line in Berrien County as the "Iron Brigade Memorial Highway". The bill would exclude the portion of US-12 in Lenawee County between M-52 and Monagan Highway from these designations.

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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

State Trooper Adams exemplified bravery and heroism during his public service. Naming this portion of US-12 in Lenawee County in his honor would be a fitting way to commemorate Trooper Adam's service and sacrifice.

Legislative Analyst: Tyler VanHuyse

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government. The Act specifies that the Department of Transportation may provide for the erection and maintenance of markers designating the name of a highway only when sufficient private funds are available to cover the

costs of erecting and maintaining those markers. As such, private funds would cover the cost of the renaming, and no State funds would be used.

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