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Senate Bill 1081 (as reported without amendment)

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Memorial Highway Act to require the Transportation Asset Management Council (TAMC), beginning on the bill's effective date, to designate memorial highways under the Act and to do so only for individuals who died in the line of duty in the service of the State or a local community, who died while serving in the United States Armed Forces, or who demonstrated acts of great heroism or valor that disregarded his or her own safety to protect the lives of others.

The bill also would require the TAMC to do all the following:

- -- Create an electronic application form that would have to be made available on its website for the public to submit applications to designate a memorial highway.
- -- Meet at least two times per year to discuss, and approve or reject, applications to designate a memorial highway.
- -- Develop procedures to notify an applicant that his or her application to designate a memorial highway had been approved or rejected.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill likely would result in minor expenses for the TAMC to develop and post an application for highway naming, as well as to meet twice per year to assess those applications. Otherwise, the bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government because the bill would require that private contributions be used to cover the cost of highway naming markers.

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