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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2757

As Recommended by House Committee on
Transportation

Brief*

HB 2757 would name a bridge on US-77 in Marshall County as the SP4 Michael T. Martin Memorial Bridge and a bridge on US-36 in Marshall County as the SGT Joseph A. Zutterman Jr. Memorial Bridge.

The bill would establish these provisions related to signage:

- Require the Secretary of Transportation to place suitable signs to indicate the designation;
- Preclude the signs from being erected until the Secretary has received sufficient moneys from gifts and donations to reimburse the Secretary for the cost of placing the signs and an additional 50 percent of the initial cost to defray future maintenance or replacement of the signs; and
- Allow the Secretary to accept and administer gifts and donations to aid in obtaining and installing suitable signs.

Background

Representative Sharon Schwartz, a sister of Specialist Martin, and a representative of American Legion Riders Post #163 in Marysville testified in support of the bill. There was no other testimony.

*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.kslegislature.org>

According to testimony, Specialist Martin and Sergeant Zutterman were killed in military service in Vietnam, and both were from the Marysville area. The bridges that would carry these memorial designations are near Marysville.

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget, the Kansas Department of Transportation reported the agency would have to receive \$5,760 from donations before installing two signs for each bridge: \$3,840 for the cost of the four signs, including installation, and an additional 50 percent, \$1,920, for future maintenance.