

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 0152H.011
Bill No.: HB 841
Subject: Transportation; Department of Transportation; Roads and Highways; Veterans;
Law Enforcement Officers and Agencies
Type: Original
Date: March 25, 2025

Bill Summary: This proposal modifies provisions relating to memorial highway designation requirements and costs.

FISCAL SUMMARY

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND | | | |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2026 | FY 2027 | FY 2028 |
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| Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS | | | |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2026 | FY 2027 | FY 2028 |
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| Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS | | | |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2026 | FY 2027 | FY 2028 |
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| Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE) | | | |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2026 | FY 2027 | FY 2028 |
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| Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE | 0 | 0 | 0 |

- Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.
- Estimated Net Effect (savings or increased revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS | | | |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2026 | FY 2027 | FY 2028 |
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| Local Government | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

§227.299 – Memorial Signs

Officials from the **Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT)** assume the following regarding this proposal:

This bill would require the participation fee for MoDOT's memorial designation program to not exceed the cost of the materials to construct each sign. This would apply only to memorial designations funded by private donations as MoDOT currently pays for line of duty memorial designations out of the State Road Fund per §227.296. On average, twelve memorial designations funded by private donations are enacted every year.

Currently the Department's main interest in sign maintenance is the cost of sign replacement upon being damaged or reaching the end of its usable life. MoDOT's memorial signage expenditures today per memorial for two standard 6'x3' signs are \$3,900 with PSST (perforated square steel tube) posts and \$6,547 for pipe posts. Interstates and some U.S. Routes require pipe posts. The participation fee is set at \$4,000, which covers two standard 6'x3' signs.

There are 900 memorial designations on Missouri's State Highway System.

Upon further inquiry, **Oversight** notes MoDOT states the \$4,000 participation fee is a one-time fee if the memorial designation is passed through legislation. If the memorial designation is passed through the Joint Committee on Transportation Oversight, the \$4,000 participation fee covers 20 years at which point the applicant has the option to pay the fee again to replace the sign for another 20 years.

Currently, if a memorial designation needs to be replaced, MoDOT covers the replacement costs; therefore, Oversight assumes this proposal will not necessarily increase costs to MoDOT as they are currently covering the cost of replacement signs when damaged. Oversight notes MoDOT's participation fee of \$4,000 is only \$100 more than the cost of two standard signs (\$3,900) and \$2,547 less than two standards signs requiring pipe posts. Therefore, Oversight will not reflect a fiscal impact to MoDOT from this proposal.

| <u>FISCAL IMPACT – State Government</u> | FY 2026 (10 Mo.) | FY 2027 | FY 2028 |
|---|---------------------|------------|------------|
| | | | |
| | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> |

| <u>FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government</u> | FY 2026 (10 Mo.) | FY 2027 | FY 2028 |
|---|---------------------|------------|------------|
| | | | |
| | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> |

FISCAL IMPACT – Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation appears to have no direct fiscal impact.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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