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**A B I L L**

To enact section 5501.70 of the Revised Code to 1  
require the Director of Transportation to 2  
designate portions of state highways, county or 3  
township roads, or streets or highways located 4  
within municipal corporations as memorial highways 5  
in honor of each State Highway Patrol trooper, 6  
county sheriff, deputy sheriff, township 7  
constable, or police officer of a township police 8  
department or district or law enforcement agency 9  
of a municipal corporation who is or has been 10  
killed in the line of duty. 11

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:**

**Section 1.** That section 5501.70 of the Revised Code be 12  
enacted to read as follows: 13

**Sec. 5501.70.** (A)(1) The director of transportation, in 14  
consultation with the director of public safety and the 15  
superintendent of the state highway patrol, shall designate 16  
portions of state highways, with each portion not exceeding twenty 17  
miles in length, as a separate memorial highway in honor of each 18  
state highway patrol trooper who is or has been killed in the line 19

of duty. 20

(2) The director of transportation, in consultation with the 21  
appropriate county sheriffs, shall designate portions of state 22  
highways, portions of county roads, or a combination of such 23  
portions, with each portion or combined portions not exceeding 24  
twenty miles in total length, as a memorial highway in honor of 25  
each county sheriff or deputy sheriff who is or has been killed in 26  
the line of duty. 27

(3) The director of transportation, in consultation with the 28  
appropriate township constable or chief of a township police 29  
department or district, shall designate portions of state 30  
highways, portions of county roads, portions of township roads, or 31  
a combination of such portions, with each portion or combined 32  
portions not exceeding twenty miles in total length, as a memorial 33  
highway in honor of each township constable or police officer of a 34  
township police department or district who is or has been killed 35  
in the line of duty. 36

(4) The director of transportation, in consultation with the 37  
appropriate chiefs of the law enforcement agencies of municipal 38  
corporations, shall designate portions of state highways, portions 39  
of county roads, portions of township roads, a combination of such 40  
portions, or a combination of such portions and a portion of a 41  
street or highway located within a municipal corporation, with 42  
each portion or combined portions not exceeding twenty miles in 43  
total length, as a memorial highway in honor of each police 44  
officer of a law enforcement agency of a municipal corporation who 45  
is or has been killed in the line of duty. 46

(B) In acting under this section, the director of 47  
transportation may designate a portion of a state highway, county 48  
or township road, or street or highway located within a municipal 49  
corporation that has been given a designation in Chapter 5533. of 50  
the Revised Code, and if the director does so that portion shall 51

have both names. If the director designates any such portion under 52  
this section and that portion subsequently is given a designation 53  
in Chapter 5533. of the Revised Code, that portion shall have both 54  
names unless the designation in Chapter 5533. of the Revised Code 55  
expressly provides otherwise. 56

(C) Upon a designation made under this section, the director 57  
of transportation may erect suitable markers along the state 58  
highway, county or township road, or street or highway located 59  
within a municipal corporation indicating its name. 60