



# Ohio Legislative Service Commission

## Bill Analysis

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### **S.B. 259\***

129th General Assembly  
(As Reported by S. Highways and Transportation)

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## **BILL SUMMARY**

- Designates a portion of Interstate Route 71 within Wayne County as the "First Lieutenant John M. Runkle, Jr. Memorial Highway."

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## **CONTENT AND OPERATION**

The bill designates part of Interstate Route number 71, commencing at mile marker 195 and proceeding in a northerly direction to mile marker 202, within Wayne County only, as the "First Lieutenant John M. Runkle, Jr. Memorial Highway."<sup>1</sup> First Lieutenant Runkle was killed in Afghanistan on May 26, 2011, when his unit was struck by an improvised explosive device. The designation in the bill is in addition to any other current memorial designations of Interstate Route 71, including "The Military Order of the Purple Heart Memorial Highway" and the "Disabled American Veterans' Highway."<sup>2</sup>

The bill also authorizes the Director of Transportation to erect suitable markers along the highway indicating its name.

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\* This analysis was prepared before the report of the Senate Highways and Transportation Committee appeared in the Senate Journal. Note that the list of co-sponsors and the legislative history may be incomplete.

<sup>1</sup> R.C. 5533.321.

<sup>2</sup> R.C. 5533.09 and 5533.32, not in the bill.

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## HISTORY

### ACTION

### DATE

Introduced  
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