

SESSION OF 2021

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2247**

As Amended by House Committee on  
Transportation

**Brief\***

HB 2247 would designate a portion of highway in Norton County as a memorial highway in honor of a Kansas correctional officer and would designate certain bridges in Cowley County, Riley County, and Seward County as memorial bridges.

The new designations are as follows:

- The portion of K-67 in Norton County from the southern limits of the Norton Correctional Facility to the northern limits of the Norton Correctional Facility would be designated as the COII Trenton J Brinkman Memorial Highway;
- Bridge no. 54-88-17.86 (013) located on US-54 in Seward County would be designated as the Jack Taylor Memorial Bridge;
- Bridge no. 54-88-17.1.87 (006) located on US-54 in Seward County would be designated as the Max Zimmerman Memorial Bridge;
- Bridge no. 0081-B0058 located on US-77 in Riley County would be designated as the PFC Loren H Larson Memorial Bridge; and

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\*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>

- Bridge no. 0018-009 located on US-166 in Cowley County would be designated as the SGT Tyler A Juden Memorial Bridge.

The Secretary of Transportation (Secretary) would be required to place suitable signs to indicate the designations. Under continuing law, the Secretary is precluded from placing these signs until the Secretary has received sufficient moneys from gifts and donations to reimburse the Secretary for the cost of placing such signs, plus an additional 50 percent of the initial cost to defray future maintenance or replacement of the signs. The Secretary may accept and administer gifts and donations to aid in obtaining and installing suitable signs.

### **Background**

The bill would include provisions of HB 2247, as amended by the House Committee on Transportation; HB 2100, as introduced; HB 2132, as introduced; and HB 2019, as introduced.

### ***HB 2247 (COII Trenton J Brinkman Memorial Highway)***

The bill was introduced by the House Committee on Transportation at the request of Representative Rahjes.

### ***House Committee on Transportation***

At the House Committee hearing, Representative Rahjes provided **proponent** testimony, indicating Officer Brinkman was a correctional officer at the Norton Correctional Facility who was killed in a vehicle accident on his way to work. The conferee further stated Officer Brinkman was respected both in the community and by inmates of the correctional facility, and the inmates had requested the designation.

No other testimony was provided.

The House Committee amended the bill to correct the job classification of Officer Brinkman. The House Committee further amended the bill to add the contents of HB 2100, as introduced; HB 2132, as introduced; and HB 2019, as introduced.

*Fiscal Information*

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on HB 2247, as introduced, the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT) indicates it would cost \$3,420 to manufacture and install two signs for the designated highway. However, continuing law requires sufficient gifts and donations to be received by KDOT for this cost prior to installation, plus an additional 50 percent to defray future sign cost. Altogether, \$5,130 would need to be received from donations to install the signs. KDOT indicates implementation of the bill would require an increase of \$3,420 to the expenditure limitation for the agency operations account in FY 2022. Any fiscal effect associated with enactment of HB 2247 is not reflected in *The FY 2022 Governor's Budget Report*.

***HB 2019 (Jack Taylor Memorial Bridge and Max Zimmerman Memorial Bridge)***

The bill was introduced by Representative Francis.

### *House Committee on Transportation*

At the House Committee hearing, Representative Francis, a member of the Board of Commissioners for Seward County, the Seward County administrator, and a representative of the Liberal Chamber of Commerce provided **proponent** testimony. Proponents stated Mr. Zimmerman and Mr. Taylor, who had been executive directors of the Liberal Chamber of Commerce, were both actively involved in their community and instrumental to key transportation initiatives in southwest Kansas.

No other testimony was provided.

### *Fiscal Information*

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on HB 2019, KDOT indicates it would cost \$4,750 to manufacture and install two signs for the two designated bridges. However, continuing law requires sufficient gifts and donations to be received by KDOT for this cost prior to installation, plus an additional 50 percent to defray future sign cost. Altogether \$7,125 would need to be received from donations to install the signs. KDOT indicates implementation of the bill would require an increase of \$4,750 to the expenditure limitation for the agency operations account in FY 2022. Any fiscal effect associated with enactment of HB 2019 is not reflected in *The FY 2022 Governor's Budget Report*.

### ***HB 2132 (PFC Loren H Larson memorial bridge)***

The bill was introduced by Representative Carlson.

[*Note:* The contents of HB 2132 are the same as those of 2020 HB 2525, as introduced; those contents were recommended by the House Committee on Transportation in 2020 HB 2502.]

### *House Committee on Transportation*

At the House Committee hearing, Representative Carlson provided **proponent** testimony, stating Private First Class (PFC) Loren Larson served in the 1st Calvary Division of the U.S. Army and was killed in action in the Vietnam War. Five private citizens, including the brother of the honoree, provided written-only **proponent** testimony, indicating PFC Larson was a graduate of Blue Valley High School in Randolph, and the bridge under consideration is located north of Randolph.

### *Fiscal Information*

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on HB 2132, KDOT indicates it would cost \$2,860 to manufacture and install two signs for the designated bridge. However, continuing law requires sufficient gifts and donations to be received by KDOT for this cost prior to installation, plus an additional 50 percent to defray future sign cost. Altogether \$4,290 would need to be received from donations to install the signs. KDOT indicates implementation of the bill would require an increase of \$2,860 to the expenditure limitation for the agency operations account in FY 2022. Any fiscal effect associated with enactment of HB 2132 is not reflected in *The FY 2022 Governor's Budget Report*.

### ***HB 2100 (SGT Tyler A Juden Memorial Bridge)***

The bill was introduced by Representative Rhiley and did not have a public hearing.

[*Note:* Provisions of HB 2100 are the same as those for 2020 HB 2431, as recommended by the House Committee on Transportation. At the House Committee hearing during the 2020 Legislative Session, it was noted through testimony that Sergeant Juden was a decorated United States Army

paratrooper, infantryman, and sniper killed in action in Turan, Afghanistan, during his second tour of duty.]

*Fiscal Information*

According to the fiscal note prepared by the Division of the Budget on HB 2100, KDOT indicates it would cost \$2,860 to manufacture and install two signs for the designated bridge. However, continuing law requires sufficient gifts and donations to be received by KDOT for this cost prior to installation, plus an additional 50 percent to defray future sign cost. Altogether \$4,290 would need to be received from donations to install the signs. KDOT indicates implementation of the bill would require an increase of \$2,860 to the expenditure limitation for the agency operations account in FY 2022. Any fiscal effect associated with enactment of HB 2100 is not reflected in *The FY 2022 Governor's Budget Report*.

Memorial highway; memorial bridge; Norton Correctional Facility; Kansas Department of Transportation; signage; veterans