



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 375

HOUSE BILL NO. 2116

By Representative Alexander

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2077

By Senators Stewart, Barnes, Beavers, Bell, Berke, Burks, Campfield, Crowe, Faulk, Finney, Ford, Gresham, Harper, Haynes, Henry, Herron, Johnson, Kelsey, Ketron, Marrero, McNally, Norris, Overbey, Roberts, Southerland, Summerville, Tate, Tracy, Watson, Woodson, Yager and Mr. Speaker Ramsey

AN ACT to name a bridge in Franklin County in honor of the late Sgt. David Alex Stephens.

WHEREAS, from time to time, the members of this General Assembly have seen fit to name certain highways and bridges to honor the memory of those courageous members of the United States Armed Forces who gave their lives in the defense of our nation; and

WHEREAS, no person is more deserving of this honor than the late Sgt. David Alex Stephens, who made the ultimate sacrifice for his country while serving in Afghanistan; and

WHEREAS, Sgt. David Alex Stephens selflessly gave his life for his country, and it is thus most appropriate that a certain bridge in his home county of Franklin should be named to honor his memory; now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, it is the intent of this General Assembly to name bridge id number 26SR0500007 on Lynchburg Highway where it crosses Dry Creek in Franklin County to honor the memory of Sergeant David Alex Stephens, a valiant soldier who gave his life in the line of duty while serving in Afghanistan.

SECTION 2. The department of transportation shall erect suitable signs or affix suitable markers designating the selected bridge or bridges as the "Sgt. David Alex Stephens Memorial Bridge." The cost of such signage shall be funded in accordance with Tennessee Code Annotated, § 54-1-133.

SECTION 3. The erection of such signs shall be within the guidelines prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

SECTION 4. This act shall become operative only if the federal highway administrator advises the commissioner of transportation in writing that the provisions of this act shall not render Tennessee in violation of federal laws and regulations and subject to penalties prescribed therein.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: May 18, 2011



BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 30th day of MAY 2011



BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR