

### **ORION VETERANS MEMORIAL HIGHWAY**

House Bill 5629 as reported from committee Sponsor: Rep. John Reilly Committee: Transportation Complete to 3-23-22

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# SUMMARY:

House Bill 5629 would amend the Michigan Memorial Highway Act to designate the portion of highway M-24 between Indian Lake Road and Silverbell Road in Orion Charter Township as the "Orion Veterans Memorial Highway."

Proposed MCL 250.2078a

### **BACKGROUND:**

As expressed in committee testimony and on the Orion Veterans Memorial website, a memorial is not about war—it's about people paying tribute to all military service personnel who honorably served their country. A memorial honors the spirit of the men and women who have fought for America, from the Revolution to the global war on terrorism.

House Bill 5629 would specifically celebrate and remember the veterans of Orion Township who served our country and who sacrificed their lives for it. Designating a portion of highway M-24 between Indian Road and Silverbell Road in Orion Charter Township would be an appropriate way to recognize those who have served while thanking them for their service.

# FISCAL IMPACT:

Section 2 of the Michigan Memorial Highway Act indicates that the state transportation department shall provide for the erection of suitable markers indicating the name of the highway only "when sufficient private contributions are received to completely cover the cost of erecting and maintaining those markers." As a result, the bill has no state or local fiscal impact.

### **POSITIONS:**

The Michigan Department of Transportation indicated a neutral position on the bill. (3-15-22)

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