

HB 2453 -- MEMORIAL HIGHWAYS

SPONSOR: McDaniel

Currently, for memorial highways and bridges to honor an event, place, organization, or person who has been deceased for more than two years, there is an application process to the Department of Transportation that includes collecting signatures from at least 100 persons who support the naming of the highway or bridge. This application process does not apply to fallen law enforcement officers, emergency personnel and members of the Armed Forces killed in the line of duty, Missouri recipients of the medal of honor, or state employees killed while serving the state.

This bill removes all of the application requirements, so all memorial highways and bridges go through the same process.

The bill also designates a portion of State Highway J in Pemiscot County as the "Annistyn Kate Rackley Memorial Highway". The Department of Transportation will erect and maintain appropriate signage, with the costs paid by private donations.