SENATE, No. 1433 **STATE OF NEW JERSEY** 221st LEGISLATURE

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Sponsored by: Senator TROY SINGLETON District 7 (Burlington)

SYNOPSIS

Designates bridge over Crosswicks Creek on Interstate Highway Route 295 North as "Benjamin Moore and the 693rd Sapper Company Memorial Highway."

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As reported by the Senate Transportation Committee with technical review.



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1 AN ACT designating the bridge over Crosswicks Creek on Interstate 2 Highway Route 295 North in honor of Army Specialist Benjamin 3 Moore and the 693rd Sapper Company. 4 5 WHEREAS, Army Specialist Benjamin G. Moore of Bordentown gave his life for his country on January 12, 2011, while stationed 6 7 in Afghanistan; and 8 WHEREAS, As a lifelong resident of New Jersey, Mr. Moore cared for others from an early age, both as a fireman and as an 9 emergency medical technician for Hope Hose Humane Company 10 No. 1 of Bordentown City, Union Fire Company No. 1 of 11 12 Crosswicks, DeCou Hose Company No. 1 of Hamilton Township, Westampton Township Emergency Services, Capital 13 14 Health, and Trenton Emergency Medical Services; and WHEREAS, Mr. Moore was known as the "Mayor of Bordentown" 15 and was awarded the title of "Honorary Chief" of Hope Hose 16 17 Humane Company No. 1 of Bordentown City; and 18 WHEREAS, Mr. Moore joined the United States Army in April 2009, 19 trained at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, and was stationed in Fort Drum, New York in September 2009; and 20 WHEREAS, Mr. Moore served with the 693rd Sapper Company, 7th 21 22 Engineer Battalion, 10th Sustainment Brigade, 10th Mountain 23 Division; and 24 WHEREAS, On January 12, 2011, Mr. Moore tragically lost his life 25 while serving his country in Ghazni Province, Afghanistan; and 26 WHEREAS, Mr. Moore received many awards and decorations including the Bronze Star Medal, the Purple Heart, the Combat 27 28 Action Badge, the Good Conduct Medal, the Afghanistan 29 Campaign Medal, the Army Service Ribbon, the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, 30 and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Medal; and 31 32 WHEREAS, As a true example of heroism, patriotism, and service to 33 his country and his fellow soldiers, it is fitting and proper for the 34 Legislature of the State of New Jersey to honor the patriotism of 35 Army Specialist Benjamin Moore and the 693rd Sapper 36 Company by designating the bridge over Crosswicks Creek on 37 Interstate Highway Route 295 North as the "Benjamin Moore and the 693rd Sapper Company Memorial Highway"; now, 38 therefore, 39 40 41 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State 42 of New Jersey: 43 The Commissioner of Transportation shall designate the 44 1. 45 bridge over Crosswicks Creek on Interstate Highway Route 295 46 North in the Township of Bordentown and the Township of Hamilton, extending from milepost 57.5 to milepost 58 as the 47 "Benjamin Moore and the 693rd Sapper Company Memorial 48

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Highway" and erect appropriate signs bearing this designation and
dedication.

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4 2. State or other public funds shall not be used for producing, 5 purchasing, or erecting signs bearing the designation established pursuant to section 1 of this act. The Commissioner of 6 7 Transportation is authorized to receive gifts, grants, or other 8 financial assistance from private sources for the purpose of funding 9 or reimbursing the Department of Transportation for the costs 10 associated with producing, purchasing, erecting, and maintaining 11 signs bearing the designation established pursuant to section 1 of 12 this act and entering into agreements related thereto, with private 13 sources, including but not limited to non-governmental non-profit, 14 educational, or charitable entities or institutions. Work shall not 15 proceed and funding shall not be accepted by the Department of 16 Transportation until an agreement has been reached with a 17 responsible party for paying the costs associated with producing, 18 purchasing, erecting, and maintaining the signs. 19

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20 3. This act shall take effect immediately.