
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2167 Session of
2024

INTRODUCED BY RIGBY, SCHMITT, DELLOSO, ROSSI, METZGAR, CAUSER,
STAATS, KAUFFMAN, KINSEY, GILLEN, MOUL, JOZWIAK AND ROWE,
MARCH 28, 2024

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, MARCH 28, 2024

AN ACT

1 Designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 48914, carrying
2 Gallitzin Road, State Route 53, over Norfolk Southern
3 Railroad, located in Gallitzin Township, Cambria County, as
4 the Corporal James R. Beck USMC Memorial Bridge.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. Corporal James R. Beck USMC Memorial Bridge.

8 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares as
9 follows:

10 (1) James Robert Beck was born March 22, 1948, in
11 Cresson, Cambria County.

12 (2) Cpl. James R. Beck served in the Vietnam War with
13 the D Company, 1st Battalion, 1st Marines, 1st Marine
14 Division.

15 (3) On October 23, 1968, Corporal James R. Beck bravely
16 gave his life for his country. He was killed in an explosion
17 in the Quang Nam Province of South Vietnam.

18 (4) Cpl. James R. Beck is honored on the Vietnam

1 Veterans Memorial in Washington, DC. His name is inscribed on
2 Panel 40W, Line 23.

3 (5) For his bravery and gallantry in action, Corporal
4 James R. Beck was awarded the Combat Action Ribbon,
5 Marksmanship Badge, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam
6 Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Marine Corps
7 Presidential Unit Citation, Vietnam Gallantry Cross, Marine
8 Corps Expeditionary Medal, Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal
9 and the Purple Heart.

10 (b) Designation.--The bridge, identified as Bridge Key
11 48914, carrying Gallitzin Road, State Route 53, over Norfolk
12 Southern Railroad, located in Gallitzin Township, Cambria
13 County, is designated as the Corporal James R. Beck USMC
14 Memorial Bridge.

15 (c) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and
16 maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the bridge to
17 traffic in both directions on the bridge.

18 Section 2. Effective date.

19 This act shall take effect in 60 days.