

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 2168 Session of 2015

INTRODUCED BY WARNER, VEREB, COX, HENNESSEY, MARSHALL, PICKETT, BAKER, DUSH, SONNEY, MILLARD, MALONEY, READSHAW, METZGAR, BIZZARRO, COHEN, ELLIS, WENTLING, WARD, KNOWLES, O'NEILL, MILNE, MUSTIO, SAYLOR, HAHN, D. PARKER, TOEPEL, PAYNE, HARHART, REESE, MAHONEY, YOUNGBLOOD, DIGIROLAMO, D. COSTA, KINSEY, MURT, REGAN, MAJOR, CAUSER, WHEELAND, GOODMAN AND A. HARRIS, JUNE 16, 2016

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, JUNE 16, 2016

AN ACT

1 Designating a portion of State Route 51 in Fayette County as the  
2 Officer Richard Champion Memorial Highway.

3 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
4 hereby enacts as follows:

5 Section 1. Officer Richard Champion Memorial Highway.

6 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares as  
7 follows:

8 (1) Officer Richard Champion was killed on December 14,  
9 2014, in a two-vehicle crash on State Route 51 in Perry  
10 Township while pursuing another vehicle.

11 (2) Officer Champion had been a member of the  
12 Perryopolis Borough Police Department for only eight months,  
13 and had previously worked for Derry Borough Police in  
14 Westmoreland County.

15 (3) Before graduating from the Westmoreland Community

1 College Police Academy in November 2013, Officer Champion  
2 served with the United States Army, including two tours  
3 overseas.

4 (b) Designation.--The section of State Route 51 in Fayette  
5 County from the southern border of Perryopolis Borough to the  
6 southern border of Perry Township is hereby designated the  
7 Officer Richard Champion Memorial Highway.

8 (c) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and  
9 maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the highway to  
10 traffic in both directions on the highway.

11 Section 2. Effective date.

12 This act shall take effect in 60 days.