

HOUSE BILL 2512

By Curtiss

AN ACT to name a bridge on State Route 56 in Warren County in honor of the late Charles Ulysses Boren.

WHEREAS, from time to time, the members of this General Assembly have seen fit to name certain highways and bridges to honor those exemplary public servants who, during their lifetimes, contributed significantly to the growth and prosperity of their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, no Tennessean is more deserving of this honor than the late Charles Ulysses Boren, one of Warren County's most productive and admired citizens; and

WHEREAS, few people have touched as many lives as Mr. Boren, a gentleman who attained excellence both as a public servant and a human being; and

WHEREAS, a native of Warren County, Charles Ulysses Boren passed away on May 14, 1994; and

WHEREAS, as a young man, Mr. Boren miraculously survived a life-threatening hunting accident and ultimately became a highly respected businessman in Warren County, where he was active in numerous civic and church activities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Boren is best remembered for his operation of a jewelry store and watch repair shop in McMinnville for approximately twenty years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Boren served his community with distinction as a member of Warren Lodge #125 Free and Accepted Masons, Treasurer of the McMinnville Lions Club, and a member of the Church of Christ; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Boren enjoyed a loving marriage with his wife, Sepal (Jean) Boren, and was the proud father of Linda Perry, Glenna Godwin, and Carolyn Clemons; and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Legislative Body has petitioned this General Assembly to name a certain bridge on State Route 56 to honor Mr. Boren's memory and to permanently commemorate his bountiful life of purpose and commitment to the greater good; and

WHEREAS, this body concurs with this excellent proposal; now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the bridge spanning Mountain Creek on State Route 56 in Warren County is hereby designated the "Charles Ulysses Boren Memorial Bridge" as a lasting tribute to an excellent public servant and even more accomplished human being.

SECTION 2. The department of transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the bridge described in Section 1 as the "Charles Ulysses Boren Memorial Bridge".

SECTION 3. The erection of such signs shall be within the guidelines prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

SECTION 4. This act shall become operative only if the federal highway administrator advises the commissioner of transportation in writing that the provisions of this act shall not render Tennessee in violation of federal laws and regulations and subject to penalties prescribed therein.

SECTION 5. This act shall become operative only if the cost of the manufacture and installation of such signs is paid to the department of transportation by Warren County within one (1) year of the effective date of this act. Such payment shall be made prior to any expenditure by the state for the manufacture or installation of such signs. The department shall return any unused portion of the estimated cost to Warren County within thirty (30) days of the erection of such signs. If the actual cost exceeds the estimated cost, an amount equal to the

difference in such costs shall be remitted to the department by Warren County within thirty (30) days of the county receiving an itemized invoice of the actual cost from the department.

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.