SENATE BILL 2

By Yager

AN ACT to name bridges at the Midtown interchange on Interstate 40 in Roane County.

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

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the eastbound bridge spanning Interstate 40 on State Route 29 (Pine Ridge Road) at the Midtown interchange (Exit 350) on Interstate 40 in Roane County is hereby designated the "Paul E. Easter Bridge".

SECTION 2. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the westbound bridge spanning Interstate 40 on State Route 29 (Pine Ridge Road) at the Midtown interchange (Exit 350) on Interstate 40 in Roane County is hereby designated the "James W. Harmon Bridge".

SECTION 3. The department of transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the bridge described in Section 1 as the "Paul E. Easter Bridge" and the bridge described in Section 2 as the "James W. Harmon Bridge".

SECTION 4. The erection of such signs shall be within the guidelines prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

SECTION 5. 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 6. This act shall become operative only if the cost of the manufacture and installation of each sign is paid to the department of transportation from non-state funds within one (1) year of the effective date of this act; provided, however, lack of funding for one sign shall not negate the erection of the other sign if adequate funding has been provided therefor. Such payment shall be made prior to any expenditure by the state for the manufacture or installation

of any such sign. The department shall return any unused portion of the estimated cost to the person or entity paying for any such sign within thirty (30) days of the erection of such sign. If the actual cost exceeds the estimated cost, an amount equal to the difference in such costs shall be remitted to the department in non-state funds within thirty (30) days of the sponsoring person or entity receiving an itemized invoice of the actual cost from the department.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.