

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

1st Session of the 50th Legislature (2005)

COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE  
FOR  
HOUSE BILL NO. 1974

By: Perry of the House

and

Corn of the Senate

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An Act relating to roads, bridges and ferries; enacting the Signage Reform Act of 2005; providing requirements for the naming of certain transportation structures; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1600 of Title 69, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Signage Reform Act of 2005".

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1600.1 of Title 69, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. Highways, bridges, and other facilities which are part of the state highway system may be considered for dedication in honor of individuals deserving of commendation for their active involvement in the project or for outstanding service to the nation, this state, or their community, provided that the individual shall have at least one accomplishment of statewide significance. Persons proposed to be so honored shall have been deceased not less than

five (5) years prior to consideration, except that there shall be no time restriction for proposed honorees that are members of law enforcement or the military and died in the line of duty. Proposals for the dedication of state highway facilities should specifically state the accomplishments upon which the proposal is based, date of death and the county in which the marker is to be placed.

B. Elected governmental bodies may, by formally adopted resolution, propose the naming of such facilities to the Transportation Commission.

C. No facility or group of related facilities shall be considered for naming in honor of more than one individual or entity. Should the facility be named more than once, the most recent designation shall prevail. The Transportation Commission shall change the name of the facility to reflect the most current designation and remove any additional or previous names.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2005.

SECTION 4. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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