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February 10, 2015

SENATE BILL NO. 267

By: Barrington and Allen

An Act relating to memorial highway designations; amending 69 O.S. 2011, Section 1600.1, as amended by Section 12, Chapter 372, O.S.L. 2013 (69 O.S. Supp. 2014, Section 1600.1), which relates to memorial highway designations; adding exception to requirements for the naming of certain transportation structures; designating the Command Sergeant Major Benny G. Adkins Highway; requiring certain markers; providing for codification; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 69 O.S. 2011, Section 1600.1, as amended by Section 12, Chapter 372, O.S.L. 2013 (69 O.S. Supp. 2014, Section 1600.1), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1600.1. 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. Persons proposed to be so honored shall have been deceased not less than three (3) years prior to consideration. The provisions of this section shall not apply to the naming of highways and bridges on the state highway

1 system designed to honor members of the United States Armed Forces,
2 members of law enforcement or firefighters fallen in the performance
3 of their duties. The provisions of this section shall also not
4 apply to the naming of highways and bridges on the state highway
5 system designed to honor Medal of Honor recipients both living and
6 deceased. Proposals for the dedication of state highway facilities
7 should specifically state the accomplishments upon which the
8 proposal is based.

9 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
10 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1698.213 of Title 69, unless
11 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

12 The section of U.S. Highway 81 beginning at the intersection of
13 U.S. Highway 70 and extending north to the municipal limits of
14 Addington shall be designated as the "Command Sergeant Major Benny
15 G. Adkins Highway". The Department of Transportation shall cause
16 suitable permanent markers bearing that name to be placed on the
17 highway.

18 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective July 1, 2015.

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

23 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION
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