

**BILL SUMMARY**  
1<sup>st</sup> Session of the 60<sup>th</sup> Legislature

<b>Bill No.:</b>	<b>SB61</b>
<b>Version:</b>	<b>POLREC</b>
<b>Request Number:</b>	<b>13486</b>
<b>Author:</b>	<b>Rep. Johns</b>
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<b>Impact:</b>	<b>\$12,950.00</b>

**Research Analysis**

The policy recommendation to SB 61 memorializes several highways, bridges, and intersections across Oklahoma.

New designations include the:

- ABLE Agent Lori Thomas Memorial Bridge in Byran County;
- Donald Ray Ward Memorial Bridge in Oklahoma County;
- Ike Glass Memorial Intersection in Kay County;
- SSGT Kenneth Michael Pannell Memorial Highway in Murray County;
- Novak and Jean Bullard Memorial Bridge in Byran County;
- PFC Lewis Othel Branscum Memorial Bridge in Le Flore County; and
- SFC Tomas L. Avey Bronze Star and Purple Heart Recipient Memorial Highway in Lincon County.

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**Fiscal Analysis**

This measure designates 7 new memorial road and/or bridge signs. According to the Oklahoma Department of Transportation (ODOT), the cost per sign is about \$925.00, and as each designation has 2 markers, one for each side of the roadway, that is about \$1850.00 for each designation. With the 7 different markers in this measure that is a total of \$12,950.00 for all of the signs. As ODOT is an appropriated state agency, this does create a potential fiscal impact to the state budget of \$12,950.00.

The \$12,950.00 is the most ODOT may have to spend, as policy requires that ODOT only pay for the full cost of the signs for those who were killed in the line of duty as a military member, law enforcement officer, firefighter, or other first responder. Given this information, it is likely that the final impact will be less than the \$12,950.00.

The POLREC does not change the fiscal impact of the measure.

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**Other Considerations**

None.

