Legislative Analysis



MARTIN "MARTY" CHIVAS MEMORIAL HIGHWAY

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House Bill 4191 as enacted Public Act 53 of 2018

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Sponsor: Rep. Martin Howrylak

Committee: Transportation and Infrastructure

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SUMMARY:

The bill would amend the Michigan Memorial Highway Act to designate the portion of highway I-75 in the city of Troy at the Rochester Road exit as the "Officer Martin 'Marty' Chivas Memorial Highway."

Proposed MCL 250.1012a

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

According to news reports and the Officer Down Memorial Page, Troy Police Officer Martin Douglas Chivas was shot and killed on April 22, 1974 by two escapees from a prison farm in Marquette. Officer Chivas was investigating a burglary at a gas station on Rochester Road in Troy. The escaped prisoners, who had earlier kidnapped and killed a Marquette waitress and also killed a gas station attendant in Milwaukee, shot and killed Chivas as he stepped from his patrol car. Officer Chivas was 24 years old.

Dedicating a portion of highway I-75 in the city of Troy to Officer Marty Chivas. would be an appropriate way to honor his life, his service, and his sacrifice.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Section 2 of the Michigan Memorial Highway Act indicates that the State Transportation Department shall only provide for the erection of suitable markers indicating the name of the highway "when sufficient private contributions are received to completely cover the cost of erecting and maintaining those markers." As a result, the bill has no state or local fiscal impact.

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