

HOUSE BILL 466

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 ~~State Highway Administration~~ Transportation – Dedication of Structures – ~~Gold~~
3 ~~Star Families~~
4 (Hero's Highway Act)

5 FOR the purpose of requiring the ~~State Highway Administration~~ Department of
6 Transportation to establish a process by which ~~a member of the General Assembly~~
7 certain persons may request, ~~on behalf of a United States Department of Defense~~
8 ~~Gold Star recipient~~, that the Administration dedicate a bridge or other appropriate
9 structure to ~~the recipient's spouse, child, or other relative whose life was lost in~~
10 ~~combat~~ a certain member of the armed forces or a certain emergency responder; and
11 generally relating to ~~State highways~~ the dedication of State highways.

12 BY adding to
13 Article – Transportation
14 Section 8–656
15 Annotated Code of Maryland
16 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
2 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

3 **Article – Transportation**

4 **8-656.**

5 **THE ~~ADMINISTRATION~~ DEPARTMENT SHALL ESTABLISH A PROCESS BY**
6 **WHICH A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, ANOTHER ELECTED OFFICIAL, OR**
7 **ANY MEMBER OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC MAY REQUEST, ON BEHALF OF A RECIPIENT**
8 **OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE GOLD STAR FOR SURVIVING SPOUSES,**
9 **PARENTS, AND NEXT OF KIN OF MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES WHO LOST THEIR**
10 **LIVES IN COMBAT, THAT THE ADMINISTRATION DEDICATE A BRIDGE OR ANOTHER**
11 **APPROPRIATE STRUCTURE UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE ADMINISTRATION TO**
12 **THE RECIPIENT'S SPOUSE, CHILD, OR OTHER RELATIVE WHOSE LIFE WAS LOST IN**
13 **COMBAT THAT THE DEPARTMENT DEDICATE A BRIDGE OR ANOTHER APPROPRIATE**
14 **TRANSPORTATION STRUCTURE UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE DEPARTMENT**
15 **TO:**

16 **(1) A DECEASED MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES WHOSE SURVIVING**
17 **SPOUSE, PARENT, OR NEXT OF KIN IS A RECIPIENT OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF**
18 **DEFENSE GOLD STAR MEMORIALIZING THAT THE MEMBER WAS KILLED IN ACTION;**
19 **OR**

20 **(2) A FIREFIGHTER, LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, OR ANOTHER**
21 **EMERGENCY RESPONDER WHO DIED IN THE LINE OF DUTY.**

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
23 October 1, 2015.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.