

SENATE BILL 802

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(5lr2867)

ENROLLED BILL

— Finance/Environment and Transportation —

Introduced by **Senators Cassilly, Astle, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Jennings, Muse, Peters, Reilly, Salling, Serafini, and ~~Simonair~~ Simonair, Benson, Feldman, Klausmeier, Mathias, and Pugh**

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this _____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, _____ M.

President.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 ~~State Highway Administration Department of Transportation~~ – Dedication of
3 ~~Structures – Gold 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~~ Department dedicate a bridge or other
9 appropriate structure to ~~the recipient’s spouse, child, or other relative whose life was~~
10 ~~lost in combat~~ a certain member of the armed forces or a certain emergency responder;
11 and generally relating to the dedication of State highways.

12 BY adding to

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.

Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.



1 Article – Transportation
 2 Section 8–656
 3 Annotated Code of Maryland
 4 (2008 Replacement Volume and 2014 Supplement)

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

7 **Article – Transportation**

8 **8–656.**

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

20 (1) A DECEASED MEMBER OF THE ARMED FORCES WHOSE SURVIVING
 21 SPOUSE, PARENT, OR NEXT OF KIN IS A RECIPIENT OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
 22 DEFENSE GOLD STAR MEMORIALIZING THAT THE MEMBER WAS KILLED IN ACTION;
 23 OR

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

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