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Senate Bill 358
Finance

(Frederick County Senators)

Highways - Dedication - 115th Infantry Regiment Memorial Highway

This bill requires the State Highway Administration (SHA) to designate the portion of U.S. Route 15 in Frederick County between the Maryland – Pennsylvania border to the Potomac River Bridge at Point of Rocks as the 115th Infantry Regiment Memorial Highway.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Transportation Trust Fund expenditures would increase by \$2,000 to \$4,000, depending on the number of signs required. These costs can be handled with existing resources. Revenues would not be affected.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: Several portions of highways in Maryland have been dedicated to combat veterans, including the Korean War Veterans' Memorial Highway on Interstate 70 (Chapter 512 of 2002), the Vietnam Veterans' Memorial Highway (Chapter 32 of 2002), the Veterans of Foreign Wars Memorial Highway (Chapter 554 of 2001), and the Korean War Veterans' Memorial Highway on Route 43 (Chapter 180 of 2001).

Background: The 115th Infantry Regiment began as the 1st Battalion of Infantry under the Maryland National Guard and was organized in 1881 from existing independent

companies, including those at Hagerstown and Frederick. In 1941, it became the 115th Infantry and assigned to the 29th Division (later designated as the 29th Infantry Division). The regiment fought in World War I and World War II.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: HB 85 (Frederick County Delegation) – Environmental Matters. However, HB 85 designates the roadway as 115th Infantry Regiment Highway (“memorial” is omitted).

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