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House Bill 419 (Frederick County Delegation)
Environmental Matters

Highways – Designation – 115th Infantry Regiment Memorial Highway

This bill designates 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 Highway.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Transportation Trust Fund expenditures would increase by \$4,000 in FY 2005 only, assuming four signs are required. 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: HB 85 of 2003, an identical bill as amended, passed the House but was not reported from the Senate Finance Committee.

Cross File: SB 449 (Senators Mooney and Brinkley) – Finance.

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