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House Bill 440 (Prince George's County Delegation)
 Environment and Transportation

**State Highway Administration - Memorials - Maryland Route 210 in Prince
 George's County
 PG 307-25**

This bill requires the State Highway Administration (SHA) to erect a memorial sign along a specified portion of Maryland Route 210 remembering individuals who have died from injuries sustained in motor vehicle accidents on the highway. The sign must be visible to travelers on the highway and include the language: “In memory of the lives lost on Maryland Route 210. We are making our highway safer.”

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Transportation Trust Fund expenditures increase by \$10,000 in FY 2026 only to design, fabricate, and erect the required memorial sign. Revenues are not affected.

(in dollars)	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030
Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
SF Expenditure	10,000	0	0	0	0
Net Effect	(\$10,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Note: () = decrease; GF = general funds; FF = federal funds; SF = special funds; - = indeterminate increase; (-) = indeterminate decrease

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Analysis

Current Law: SHA is responsible for more than 5,200 miles or approximately 16,800 lane miles of road, 2,500 bridges, 3,500 small stream crossing structures, and

80 miles of sound/noise barriers in the State, including Maryland Route 210. It also has responsibility for planning, designing, constructing, and maintaining these roads and bridges to safety and performance standards while considering sociological, ecological, and economic concerns. SHA must construct, reconstruct, and repair State highways as necessary and maintain them in good condition.

Among other requirements related to highway safety on Maryland Route 210, Chapter 606 of 2023 requires SHA, in conjunction with the Prince George's County Department of Public Works and Transportation, to (1) examine Maryland Route 210 for engineering, infrastructure and other relevant factors that it determines may contribute to the overabundance of motor vehicle accidents, injuries, and fatalities that occur on the highway and (2) annually report its findings and recommendations on the most effective solutions to address those issues. The [most recent report](#) was released in December 2023.

Additional Information

Recent Prior Introductions: Similar legislation has not been introduced within the last three years.

Designated Cross File: SB 193 (Senator Muse) - Judicial Proceedings.

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