A-Engrossed House Bill 3494

Ordered by the Senate May 29
Including Senate Amendments dated May 29

Sponsored by Representatives BARTON, KENNEMER

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Directs Department of Transportation to erect and maintain roadside memorial sign for Tyrone Woods. Requires payment of fee before department may erect sign.

Directs department to erect and maintain Fallen Hero roadside memorial sign for individuals killed in line of duty or who died as result of wounds received in action while serving in Armed Forces of United States. Requires payment of fee before department may erect sign.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to roadside memorial signs; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 366.932.

Whereas Tyrone Snowden Woods was born on January 15, 1971, in Portland, Oregon, and grew up in locations around Oregon and Washington; and

Whereas Tyrone Snowden Woods graduated from Oregon City High School, where he competed on the wrestling team; and

Whereas Tyrone Snowden Woods joined the United States Navy in 1990 and became a SEAL, receiving his trident in October 1991; and

Whereas Tyrone Snowden Woods served multiple tours of duty in places such as Somalia, Iraq and Afghanistan and was the medical corpsman and paramedic on SEAL teams one, three and five; and

Whereas in 2010 Tyrone Snowden Woods retired from the Navy after 20 years of honorable service to his country, during which he received the Bronze Star Medal with Combat "V," the National Defense Service Medal, the Iraq Campaign Medal and the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, among other awards; and

Whereas in addition to being a SEAL, Tyrone Snowden Woods was also a registered nurse and certified paramedic; and

Whereas Tyrone Snowden Woods was working as a private security and intelligence contractor for the Central Intelligence Agency and the United States Department of State in Benghazi, Libya, when he perished on September 12, 2012, after saving the lives of approximately 25 staff personnel at the United States diplomatic mission and the Central Intelligence Agency annex, which were under attack by militants; and

Whereas in a statement on September 14, 2012, at a ceremony that accompanied the dignified transfer of remains at Andrews Air Force Base, Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton described Tyrone Snowden Woods as having "the hands of a healer as well as the arms of a warrior"; now, therefore,

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

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Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

<u>SECTION 1.</u> (1) Subject to subsection (2) of this section, to recognize and honor Tyrone Woods for his service to the United States, the Department of Transportation shall erect and maintain a roadside memorial sign on Oregon Route 213, near milepost 2.

- (2) The department may not erect a roadside memorial sign until the department receives the payment of a fee. The department shall determine the amount of the fee by rule, except that the fee may not exceed the direct and indirect expenses associated with erecting, maintaining and removing a roadside memorial sign.
- (3) The department shall deposit the fees that the department collects under this section into the Roadside Memorial Fund established under ORS 366.932.
- (4) A public body, as defined in ORS 174.109, may not expend moneys for the purpose of paying the fee required under subsection (2) of this section.
- (5) The department, by rule, shall establish the size, design and location of the roadside memorial sign erected under this section. The sign must include the name of the individual the sign is recognizing.
- SECTION 2. (1) As used in this section, "Armed Forces of the United States" has the meaning given that term in ORS 348.282.
- (2) Subject to subsection (3) of this section, to recognize and honor those who were killed in action or who died as a result of wounds received in action while serving in the Armed Forces of the United States, the Department of Transportation shall erect and maintain a Fallen Hero roadside memorial sign for:
 - (a) Eric McKinley, on Oregon Route 34 near milepost 50.
 - (b) Tyler Troyer, on Oregon Route 34 near milepost 4.
 - (c) Adam Buyes, on Oregon Route 22 near milepost 20.
- (3) The department may not erect a Fallen Hero roadside memorial sign until the department receives the payment of a fee. The department shall determine the amount of the fee by rule, except that the fee may not exceed the direct and indirect expenses associated with erecting, maintaining and removing a roadside memorial sign.
- (4) The department shall deposit the fees that the department collects under this section into the Roadside Memorial Fund established under ORS 366.932.
- (5) A public body, as defined in ORS 174.109, may not expend moneys for the purpose of paying the fee required under subsection (3) of this section.
- (6) The department, by rule, shall establish the size, design and location of a roadside memorial sign erected under this section. The sign must include the name of the individual the sign is recognizing.

SECTION 3. ORS 366.932 is amended to read:

366.932. The Roadside Memorial Fund is established in the State Treasury, separate and distinct from the General Fund. Moneys in the Roadside Memorial Fund are continuously appropriated to the Department of Transportation for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of ORS 366.930 and sections 1 and 2 of this 2013 Act.