

Senate Bill 5

Sponsored by Senator COURTNEY, Representative KOMP (at the request of the Tebeau family) (Pre-session filed.)

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 **as introduced**.

Provides that portion of State Highway 126 between Florence and Eugene shall be known as William Tebeau Memorial Highway.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to State Highway 126.

3 Whereas William "Bill" Tebeau was born and raised in Baker City, Oregon; and

4 Whereas Bill Tebeau was the first male African-American to attend Oregon State College and
5 graduated from the college in 1948 with a Bachelor of Science in chemical engineering; and

6 Whereas Bill Tebeau had a diverse career with the Department of Transportation surveying,
7 planning, designing highways and bridges, training many future civil engineers and managing the
8 department's first hydraulic design unit; and

9 Whereas Bill Tebeau retired from the department in 1984 after 36 years of service; and

10 Whereas, during his career, Bill Tebeau conducted preliminary studies of 21 bridges on the
11 Florence-Eugene Highway in less than a year in preparation for the construction of the Fern Ridge
12 Reservoir; and

13 Whereas Bill Tebeau was a part-time instructor at Chemeketa Community College for 30 years
14 teaching engineering-related courses, including thermal dynamics, physics, surveying, chemistry,
15 math and economics; and

16 Whereas in 1970 Bill Tebeau was named "Teacher of the Year" by Chemeketa Community Col-
17 lege; and

18 Whereas in 2008 Bill Tebeau was the first recipient of the Oregon Northwest Black Pioneers
19 Trailblazer Award as a pioneer excelling in his field and as an example of courage, determination,
20 resilience and service; and

21 Whereas in 2010 Bill Tebeau was inducted into Oregon State University's Engineering Hall of
22 Fame; now, therefore,

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

24 **SECTION 1. (1) The portion of State Highway 126, known as the Florence-Eugene High-**
25 **way, beginning where the highway intersects with U.S. Highway 101 in Florence and ending**
26 **where it intersects with Oregon Route 569, the Beltline Highway, in Eugene, shall also be**
27 **known as the William Tebeau Memorial Highway.**

28 **(2) The Department of Transportation shall place and maintain suitable markers along**
29 **the highway described in this section indicating the designation of the highway as the**
30 **William Tebeau Memorial Highway.**

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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.