

1 AN ACT relating to the naming of state properties, highways, bridges, and
2 programs.

3 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

4 ➔SECTION 1. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 56 IS CREATED TO
5 READ AS FOLLOWS:

6 *After the effective date of this Act, no state building or state property shall be named*
7 *for any living current or former statewide constitutional officer, member of the*
8 *General Assembly, Justice or Judge of the Court of Justice, state employee, or*
9 *employee of the postsecondary education system as defined in KRS 164.001. Nothing*
10 *contained in this section shall be construed to prevent an institution in the*
11 *postsecondary education system from enforcing or carrying out the bona fide terms of*
12 *any gift, grant, conveyance, devise, or bequest from any private person, corporation,*
13 *foundation, estate, or other entity contributing funds or any other thing of value to the*
14 *institution as permitted by KRS 164A.615.*

15 ➔SECTION 2. A NEW SECTION OF KRS CHAPTER 12 IS CREATED TO
16 READ AS FOLLOWS:

17 *After the effective date of this Act, no state program or initiative shall be named for a*
18 *living current or former statewide constitutional officer, member of the General*
19 *Assembly, Justice or Judge of the Court of Justice, state employee, or employee of the*
20 *postsecondary education system as defined in KRS 164.001. Nothing contained in this*
21 *section shall be construed to prevent an institution in the postsecondary education*
22 *system from enforcing or carrying out the bona fide terms of any gift, grant,*
23 *conveyance, devise, or bequest from any private person, corporation, foundation,*
24 *estate, or other entity contributing funds or any other thing of value to the institution*
25 *as permitted by KRS 164A.615.*

26 ➔Section 3. KRS 177.074 is amended to read as follows:

27 (1) Every road which is part of the state primary system shall be identified by a specific

1 route number or name which shall be designated on the official state road map. In
2 addition to a route number, the secretary:

3 (a) Shall name a road or road segment to comply with the provisions of
4 subsections (2) and (3) of this section; and

5 (b) May, at the secretary's discretion, or subject to the provisions of subsection (4)
6 of this section, name a road or bridge on the state highway system after an
7 individual, historic event, or any other name which may be of significance to
8 the history of this Commonwealth or any of its counties or communities.

9 (2) The secretary shall, within thirty (30) days of receipt of a written request by the
10 commissioner of the Department of Kentucky State Police, name a state road or
11 segment of a state road in memory and honor of one (1) or more Kentucky state
12 troopers killed in the line of duty. The written request shall comply with the
13 provisions of subsection (4) of this section and shall include:

14 (a) The trooper's name;

15 (b) The name and address of any living relatives of the trooper, if known;

16 (c) Date and circumstances of the trooper's death; and

17 (d) The route number and current name of the state road where the trooper was
18 killed, if applicable, or the route number and current name of the state road
19 closest to the deceased trooper's home.

20 (3) The written request required under subsection (2) of this section shall identify the
21 route number, current name of the state road, or milepoints of the specific segment
22 of state road the Department of Kentucky State Police are requesting be named in
23 honor and memory of a state trooper killed in the line of duty. The road or road
24 segment identified in the request shall be either the state road where the trooper was
25 killed, or the state road closest to the deceased trooper's home. The cabinet shall
26 consult with the commissioner of the Department of Kentucky State Police on the
27 design of the road signs naming the state road or road segment in honor and

1 memory of each trooper, and the cabinet shall erect the appropriate highway signs
2 within thirty (30) days of receipt of the written request required under subsection (2)
3 of this section.

4 (4) If the road segment identified in the request under subsection (2) of this section has
5 already been named for another individual or organization, either by action of the
6 General Assembly or by order of the secretary, the Department of Kentucky State
7 Police and the cabinet shall consult on and determine an alternate location that is
8 acceptable to both agencies.

9 (5) The secretary shall be petitioned by a unit of local government, civic organization,
10 or other interested party before naming a road or bridge on the state primary road
11 system. In addition, the secretary shall be convinced by the petitioner that the person
12 or event that the road or bridge is being named for is of civic or historical
13 significance.

14 (6) Except as provided in subsections (9) and (10) of this section, the secretary shall
15 name a road or bridge upon direction by joint resolution of the General Assembly.
16 Upon introduction of a resolution, the secretary shall inform the chairman of the
17 committee to which the resolution is assigned as to whether he or she has been
18 petitioned to name a road or bridge presented in the resolution and if so petitioned,
19 his or her reasons for not taking action on the request.

20 (7) If the secretary grants the request to name a road or bridge through petition, the
21 signs to be placed on the roads shall become the responsibility of the petitioner with
22 the design and placement of the signs approved by the department. If the signs are
23 to be placed as a result of a resolution passed by the General Assembly, the
24 responsibility for placement of the signs shall be upon the Department of Highways.

25 (8) The Transportation Cabinet may adopt administrative regulations to implement the
26 road and bridge naming program. The administrative regulations shall at a
27 minimum establish basic standards for design and placement of signs or allow the

1 local entity to reimburse the Transportation Cabinet for the cost of manufacturing
2 and installing the signs for which a petition has been granted.

3 (9) The new proposed truck bypass around Mayfield, Kentucky, shall be named the
4 "Dick Castleman Bypass," after former State Representative Dick Castleman.

5 (10) The bridge on United States Highway 27 over the Kentucky River near Camp
6 Nelson, between Jessamine and Garrard Counties, shall be named the "Loyd
7 Murphy Memorial Bridge."

8 **(11) After the effective date of this Act, no state road or bridge shall be named for any**
9 **living current or former statewide constitutional officer, member of the General**
10 **Assembly, Justice or Judge of the Court of Justice, state employee, or employee of**
11 **the postsecondary education system as defined in KRS 164.001.**