



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2005 Wisconsin Act 238
[2005 Assembly Bill 235]

**Designating STH 173 as the 173rd
Airborne Brigade Highway**

2005 Wisconsin Act 238 designates state trunk highway (STH) 173 as the 173rd Airborne Brigade Highway. The Department of Transportation (DOT) must designate and, subject to the funding requirements in the following paragraph, mark the entire route of STH 173, commencing at STH 21 in Monroe County and proceeding northeasterly to STH 73 in the City of Nekoosa in Wood County, as the “173rd Airborne Brigade Highway.” The highway is so designated as a living memorial to and in honor of the members of the 173rd Airborne Brigade, also known as the “Sky Soldiers,” who bravely served their country and brought great credit to this state from 1963 to 1972, including deployment to Vietnam in 1965 as the first major ground combat unit of the U.S. Army to serve there, and who have continued to serve in Europe since the year 2000.

The Act provides that upon receipt of sufficient contributions from interested parties, including any county, city, village, or town, to cover the costs of erecting and maintaining markers along the route specified in sub. (1) to clearly identify to motorists the designation of the route as the “173rd Airborne Brigade Highway,” the DOT must erect and maintain the markers. **No state funds**, other than from the receipt of contributions under this provision in the Act, may be expended for the erection or maintenance of the markers.

Effective Date: Act 238 takes effect on April 13, 2006.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature’s Web site at: <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/>.