

2003 Senate Bill 46

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2003 WISCONSIN ACT 218

AN ACT to create 84.1026, 84.1027, 84.1028, 84.1029, 84.1031 and 84.1036 of the statutes; relating to: the designation and marking of certain highways and bridges.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 84.1026 of the statutes is created to read:

84.1026 Wisconsin Law Enforcement Officers Highway. (1) The department shall designate and, subject to sub. (2), mark the route of USH 151, commencing at the Wisconsin–Illinois border and proceeding easterly to Manitowoc, as the “Wisconsin Law Enforcement Officers Highway” to commemorate and honor all law enforcement officers of this state for their dedicated public service in defending and protecting life, health, and property.

(2) 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 “Wisconsin Law Enforcement Officers Highway,” the department shall erect and maintain the markers. No state funds, other than from the receipt of contributions under this subsection, may be expended for the erection or maintenance of the markers.

SECTION 2. 84.1027 of the statutes is created to read:

84.1027 Wisconsin Fire Fighters and Emergency Medical Technicians Highway. (1) The department shall designate and, subject to sub. (2), mark the route of STH 54, commencing at Algoma in Kewaunee County

and proceeding westerly to the Wisconsin–Minnesota border, as the “Wisconsin Fire Fighters and Emergency Medical Technicians Highway” to recognize and honor all fire fighters and emergency medical technicians of this state for their dedicated service to the public in protecting life, health, and property.

(2) 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 “Wisconsin Fire Fighters and Emergency Medical Technicians Highway,” the department shall erect and maintain the markers. No state funds, other than from the receipt of contributions under this subsection, may be expended for the erection or maintenance of the markers.

SECTION 3. 84.1028 of the statutes is created to read:

84.1028 Wisconsin Fire Fighters–EMT/Citizen Soldier Bridge. (1) The department shall designate and, subject to sub. (2), mark the westbound lanes of any bridge on STH 29 across the Chippewa River in Chippewa County as the “Wisconsin Fire Fighters–EMT/Citizen Soldier Bridge” to recognize and honor all fire fighters and emergency medical technicians of this state for their dedicated service to the public in protecting life, health, and property, and in recognition of the right of the citizens of this state to keep and bear arms and as a tribute to all citizen soldiers of this state.

* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES 2001–02 : Effective date of acts. “Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor’s partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication as designated” by the secretary of state [the date of publication may not be more than 10 working days after the date of enactment].

(2) Upon receipt of sufficient contributions from interested parties, including any county, city, village, or town, to cover the costs of erecting and maintaining markers on the bridge specified in sub. (1) to clearly identify to motorists the designation of the bridge as the “Wisconsin Fire Fighters–EMT/Citizen Soldier Bridge,” the department shall erect and maintain the markers. No state funds, other than from the receipt of contributions under this subsection, may be expended for the erection or maintenance of the markers.

SECTION 4. 84.1029 of the statutes is created to read:

84.1029 Wisconsin Law Enforcement/Citizen Soldier Bridge. (1) The department shall designate and, subject to sub. (2), mark the eastbound lanes of any bridge on STH 29 across the Chippewa River in Chippewa County as the “Wisconsin Law Enforcement/Citizen Soldier Bridge” to recognize and honor all law enforcement agencies in this state for their tireless efforts in preventing and detecting crime and enforcing state and local laws, and in recognition of the right of the citizens of this state to keep and bear arms and as a tribute to all citizen soldiers of this state.

(2) Upon receipt of sufficient contributions from interested parties, including any county, city, village, or town, to cover the costs of erecting and maintaining markers on the bridge specified in sub. (1) to clearly identify to motorists the designation of the bridge as the “Wisconsin Law Enforcement/Citizen Soldier Bridge,” the department shall erect and maintain the markers. No state funds, other than from the receipt of contributions under this subsection, may be expended for the erection or maintenance of the markers.

SECTION 5. 84.1031 of the statutes is created to read:

84.1031 Citizen Soldier Highway. (1) The department shall designate and, subject to sub. (2), mark, the route of STH 27, commencing at Brule and proceeding southerly to Prairie du Chien, as the “Citizen Soldier

Highway” in recognition of the right of the citizens of this state to keep and bear arms and as a tribute to all Wisconsin veterans, members of the national guard and any other reserve component of the U.S. armed forces, law enforcement officers, and fire fighters, and to the first citizen soldiers of this state, American Indians.

(2) 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 “Citizen Soldier Highway,” the department shall erect and maintain the markers. No state funds, other than from the receipt of contributions under this subsection, may be expended for the erection or maintenance of the markers.

SECTION 7. 84.1036 of the statutes is created to read:

84.1036 Major Richard I. Bong Memorial Highway. (1) The department shall designate and, subject to sub. (2), mark the route of USH 2, extending from the Wisconsin–Minnesota border to the Wisconsin–Michigan border, as the “Major Richard I. Bong Memorial Highway” in recognition and appreciation of the many military accomplishments of Major Richard I. Bong during World War II, including being awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor in 1944 and being widely known as America’s greatest war ace.

(2) 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 “Major Richard I. Bong Memorial Highway,” the department shall erect and maintain the markers. No state funds, other than from the receipt of contributions under this subsection, may be expended for the erection or maintenance of the markers.
