

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2009 Wisconsin Act 116 [2009 Senate Bill 284]

Gaylord Nelson Highway

Under *current law*, certain highway routes and bridges have been designated and marked to memorialize, commemorate, or recognize certain individuals, groups, or events.

2009 Wisconsin Act 116 directs the Department of Transportation to designate and, upon receipt of sufficient contributions from interested parties, mark the entire route of USH 63 as the "Gaylord Nelson Highway" in recognition and appreciation of Gaylord Nelson, who served with distinction as both the Governor and a U.S. Senator, and whose legacy includes numerous environmental achievements, including: (1) the founding of Earth Day; (2) the creation of the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Program; and (3) the preservation of the Apostle Islands in Lake Superior.

No state funds, other than from contributions from interested parties, may be used for the erection or maintenance of any markers on USH 63 to identify the highway as the "Gaylord Nelson Highway."

Effective date: 2009 Wisconsin Act 116 takes effect on February 25, 2010.

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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: <u>http://www.legis.state.wi.us/</u>.