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Mr. Speaker:

The Transportation Committee reports a favorable recommendation on **1st Sub. H.B. 491**, STATE HIGHWAY DESIGNATION AMENDMENTS, by Representative D. Shallenberger, with the following amendments:

Amendment 2

1 Line 148 through 161:

148 designation;

149 (d) does not propose more than one special designation of a highway for the same

150 individual; and

151 (e) honors :

(i) an individual who:

152 {(i)} (A) {(A)} exemplifies exceptional bravery in the line of duty, including as a fallen

153 officer, fire fighter, emergency responder, or member of the armed forces {;} , or

154 {(B)} provided extraordinary contributions to the state or a particular region of the

155 state that are of lasting and significant public importance;

156 {(ii)} (B) has significant ties to the state; and

157 {(iii)} (C) has been deceased for at least five years before the proposal of the special

158 designation {;} ; or

(ii) a group with significant ties to the state.

159 (3) (a) Signage for the special highway designation shall comply with department

160 standards and specifications.

161 (b) Signage is limited to two signs total, with one sign installed for each direction of

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2 *Line 165 through 169:*

- 165 (i) state General Fund appropriations; or
166 (ii) private donations or gifts, if the donation or gift is managed in accordance with
167 applicable law and department policy.
168 (4) A legislator may propose a special designation of a highway to {the} **The Natural**
highway designation
169 committee created in Section 72-4-402.

3 *Line 170 through 190:*

- 170 Section **72-4-402** . is enacted to read:
171 **72-4-402** Committee review of proposals of special designations of highways --
172 Interim committee approval.
173 (1) There is created {the} **The Natural** highway designation review committee.
174 (2) The committee is comprised of six legislators appointed as follows:
175 (a) three senators appointed by the president of the Senate; and
176 (b) three representatives appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives.
(3) The committee shall include at least two members of the minority party.
177 {(3)} **(4)** The president of the Senate shall designate one of the Senate appointees as one
co-chair
178 of the committee and the speaker of the House of Representatives shall designate one of
179 the House of Representatives appointees as the other co-chair.
180 {(4)} **(5)** The committee is not a public body and is exempt from Title 52, Chapter 4,
Open and
181 Public Meetings Act.
182 {(5)} **(6)** The committee shall receive and hear proposals for special designations of state

- 183 highways.
- 184 {~~(6)~~} ~~(7)~~ The committee may approve only one proposal for the special designation of a
state
- 185 highway each year.
- 186 {~~(7)~~} ~~(8)~~ If the committee approves a proposal for a special designation of a state
highway, the
- 187 legislator who proposed the special designation may seek a recommendation from the
- 188 Transportation Interim Committee.
- 189 {~~(8)~~} ~~(9)~~ The Transportation Interim Committee may approve only one proposal for the
special
- 190 designation of a state highway each year.

Respectfully,

Kay J. Christofferson
Chair

Voting: 11-0-1

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