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Fiscal Note**

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ROADS/HIGHWAYS OR +\$1,100 SD EX See Note Page 1 of 1  
 Designates a portion of LA 16 in St. Helena Parish as the "Trooper George Baker Memorial Highway". (8/1/22)

**Proposed law** designates a portion of Louisiana Highway 16 in St. Helena Parish from the Tangipahoa Parish line to the Livingston Parish line as the "Trooper George Baker Memorial Highway." **Proposed law** directs DOTD to erect and maintain appropriate signage reflecting this designation.

EXPENDITURES	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$1,100	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	\$1,100
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Annual Total</b>	<b>\$1,100</b>					<b>\$1,100</b>

  

REVENUES	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Annual Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

**Proposed law** will create a direct and indirect increase in expenditures. DOTD will expend approximately \$1,100 Statutory Dedications out of the Transportation Trust Fund (TTF) - Regular for the material, fabrication cost, mounting posts and labor required for the installation of two signs (approximately \$550 each). The signs will designate the portion of Louisiana Highway 16 in St. Helena Parish from the Tangipahoa Parish line to the Livingston Parish line as the "Trooper George Baker Memorial Highway." DOTD installs and maintains signage as a normal operating expense associated with maintaining the state highways.

The indirect increase in expenditures is attributable to the long-term maintenance and possible replacement costs for damaged or destroyed signs. The maintenance cost over time should be negligible, but to the extent that additional signage is added to the department's inventory each year, the department's effort to maintain them increases incrementally. **Material and labor costs for any new signage is estimated to recur every 10 years in perpetuity, as roadway signs must be replaced due to age or damage.**

For illustrative purposes, the 2021 Regular Session of the Legislature resulted in ten Acts requiring DOTD to fabricate and install 34 signs, 26 of which included a provision that local or private monies must cover the cost of materials, fabrication and installation. The initial cost incurred due to these legislative actions was estimated to be \$19,800 (\$15,400 SGR assuming local/private monies were collected, exclusive of long-term maintenance and replacement costs; and \$4,400 Statutory Dedications out of the TTF-Regular). The Legislature passed no acts in the 2020 legislative sessions designating highways or bridges as those bills were not heard during the time of the COVID-19 pandemic response.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

Senate Dual Referral Rules  
 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}  
 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

House  
 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}  
 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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