Date of Hearing: June 22, 2015

## ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION Jim Frazier, Chair

SCR 30 (Hill) – As Amended March 26, 2015

**SENATE VOTE**: 34-0

**SUBJECT**: Frederick E. Terman Memorial Highway.

**SUMMARY:** Designates a portion of State Route (SR) 101 in Santa Clara, County as the "Frederick E. Terman Memorial Highway." Specifically, this resolution:

- 1) Recounts the life and accomplishments of Frederick E. Terman.
- 2) Designates the portion of SR 101 from post mile 48.596 at Shoreline Boulevard to post mile 52.550 at the San Mateo County line in the County of Santa Clara as the "Frederick E. Terman Memorial Highway."
- 3) Requests that the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) determine the cost of appropriate signs, consistent with the signing requirements for state highways, showing the special designation and, upon receiving donations from non-state sources covering that cost, to erect those signs.

**EXISTING LAW:** Assigns Caltrans the responsibility of operating and maintaining state highways. This includes the installation and maintenance of highway signs.

**FISCAL EFFECT**: Unknown, but the measure requests that Caltrans only erect the appropriate signage upon receiving donations from non-state sources covering the cost.

**COMMENTS**: Frederick E. Terman was born on June 7, 1925, in English, Indiana. He later attended Stanford University where he completed his undergraduate degree in chemistry and his master's degree in electrical engineering. Mr. Terman returned to Stanford University as a member of the engineering faculty and during World War II directed a staff of more than 850 at the Radio Research Laboratory at Harvard University that worked to develop various technologies used to counter enemy radar and significantly reduced the effectiveness of radardirected anti-aircraft fire.

Mr. Terman returned to Stanford University after World War II and was appointed Dean of the School of Engineering where he created one of the premier schools of engineering in the United States. Mr. Terman single-handedly created the university, government, and private industry partnership model by creating the Stanford Industrial Park that associated industry and universities to create a hotbed of innovation. Mr. Terman passed away on December 19, 1982, in Palo Alto, California, at 82 years of age.

This resolution designating a portion of SR 101 in Santa Clara, California serves to honor the significant contribution Frederick Terman made to his community.

## **REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:**

## Support

7 private citizens

## Opposition

None on file

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