

Date of Hearing: May 4, 2020

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION
Jim Frazier, Chair
SCR 67 (Archuleta) – As Introduced August 13, 2019

SENATE VOTE: 38-0

SUBJECT: Los Angeles County Deputy Sheriff Jack Williams Memorial Highway

SUMMARY: Designates a portion of Interstate 650 (I-650) in the County of Los Angeles as the “Los Angeles County Deputy Sheriff Jack Williams Memorial Highway.” Specifically, **this bill:**

- 1) Recounts the life and service of Deputy Williams.
- 2) Designates the portion of I-650 between Alondra Boulevard and Rosecrans Avenue in the County of Los Angeles as the “Los Angeles County Deputy Sheriff Jack Williams Memorial Highway.”
- 3) Requests that the Department of Transportation (Caltrans) determine the cost of appropriate signs showing this special designation and the badge of the Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department, and upon receiving donations from nonstate sources, to erect those signs.

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

FISCAL EFFECT: Unknown, but the resolution requests that Caltrans only erect the appropriate signage upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering the cost.

COMMENTS: Los Angeles County Deputy Sheriff Jack Williams was shot and killed on May 29, 1979 in La Puente while he was on duty serving a search warrant on a drug trafficker. Deputy Williams was 35 years old at his time of passing and had served more than 9 years since his appointment as deputy sheriff. Forty years after his passing, officers, colleagues, friends, and surviving family and loved ones honor his memory annually.

According to the author, this highway naming resolution serves to “honor a member of our law enforcement community that was killed in the line of duty.”

REGISTERED SUPPORT / OPPOSITION:

Support

California Narcotic Officers’ Association
Riverside Sheriffs’ Association

Opposition

None on file

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