

No. 2005-58

AN ACT

SB 706

Designating the Main Street Bridge in Butler, Butler County, Pennsylvania, as the General Richard Butler Bridge.

WHEREAS, During the Revolutionary War, Richard Butler served with General George Washington at Valley Forge and also was involved in the battles of Saratoga, Yorktown and Monmouth; and

WHEREAS, At the end of the war, Richard Butler held the rank of colonel of the Ninth Pennsylvania Regiment and served as a commissioner negotiating treaties with six American Indian tribes; and

WHEREAS, In 1788 Richard Butler was appointed a judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County and promoted to major general under General Arthur St. Clair, who was the commander-in-chief of the United States Army; and

WHEREAS, General Butler was instrumental in establishing Allegheny County as a separate political entity from Westmoreland County; and

WHEREAS, When Allegheny County was divided in 1800, an area north of Pittsburgh was named Butler County in honor of General Butler; and

WHEREAS, General Butler was killed in 1791 during the Battle of Miami, which took place in Ohio on the banks of the Wabash River.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Designation.

The bridge carrying State Route 8, Main Street, in Butler, Butler County, over the Connoquenessing Creek, the B&P Railroad, the B&LE Railroad and Quarry Street is hereby designated and shall be known as the General Richard Butler Bridge.

Section 2. Signs.

The Department of Transportation shall place and maintain appropriate signs at both ends of the bridge referred to in section 1.

Section 3. Effective date.

This act shall take effect in 60 days.

APPROVED—The 14th day of July, A.D. 2005.

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