
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1164 Session of
2022

INTRODUCED BY L. WILLIAMS, FONTANA, BREWSTER, MASTRIANO, COSTA
AND MUTH, MARCH 24, 2022

REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION, MARCH 24, 2022

AN ACT

1 Designating the portion of U.S. Route 19 between Ivory Avenue
2 and Cemetery Lane in Ross Township, Allegheny County, as the
3 Chief Vernon Moses Memorial Highway.

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

6 Section 1. Chief Vernon Moses Memorial Highway.

7 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds that:

8 (1) The 100th anniversary of the establishment of the
9 Ross Township Police Department, in Allegheny County, occurs
10 in 2022 and Ross Township wishes to memorialize the sacrifice
11 and service of the department's former chief of police,
12 Vernon Moses.

13 (2) Chief Vernon Moses served as a police officer for 12
14 years and was the first police chief of the Ross Township
15 Police Department.

16 (3) On May 3, 1932, Chief Moses lost his life in the
17 line of duty from gun violence that was pervasive in the
18 community during the Prohibition Era.

1 (4) Chief Moses is the only Ross Township police officer
2 to have been killed in the line of duty during the
3 department's 100-year history.

4 (5) The story of Chief Moses's death has been passed
5 down through the generations, including by his surviving
6 grandson, and will continue to shape the course of the Ross
7 Township Police Department into the future.

8 (6) The community wishes to honor Chief Moses's legacy
9 by designating in his name the area where he gave the
10 ultimate sacrifice and to recognize his life and service
11 protecting Ross Township.

12 (b) Designation.--The portion of U.S. Route 19 between Ivory
13 Avenue and Cemetery Lane in Ross Township, Allegheny County, is
14 designated the Chief Vernon Moses Memorial Highway.

15 (c) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and
16 maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the highway to
17 traffic in both directions on the highway.

18 Section 2. Effective date.

19 This act shall take effect in 60 days.