
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 85 Session of
2013

INTRODUCED BY GOODMAN, KNOWLES, TOBASH, CALTAGIRONE, COHEN, D.
COSTA, DAVIS, DIGIROLAMO, DONATUCCI, EVERETT, FLECK, HALUSKA,
HEFFLEY, HENNESSEY, HESS, KORTZ, MILLARD, O'BRIEN, READSHAW
AND VEREB, JANUARY 10, 2013

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, JANUARY 10, 2013

AN ACT

1 Designating State Bridge No. 53-0054-0290-0143 carrying S.R. 54
2 in Mahanoy Township, Schuylkill County, over the Reading and
3 Northern Railroad, as the Cornelius McElhenny Memorial
4 Bridge.

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

7 Section 1. Cornelius McElhenny Memorial Bridge.

8 (a) Findings and declarations.--The General Assembly finds
9 and declares as follows:

10 (1) For many years, the bridge carrying S.R. 54 over the
11 Reading and Northern Railroad in Mahanoy Township, Schuylkill
12 County, Department of Transportation No. 53-0054-0290-0143,
13 has been known as the Cornelius McElhenny Bridge.

14 (2) It was named for Cornelius McElhenny, a resident of
15 Mahanoy Township and a lifelong public servant.

16 (3) Cornelius McElhenny was born June 13, 1900, and died
17 February 11, 1971.

18 (4) He worked in the Morea colliery and served as

1 president of the local chapter of the United Mine Workers of
2 America from 1930 until 1943.

3 (5) Throughout his life, he also held positions as
4 supervisor for Mahanoy Township, president of the Mahanoy
5 Township Water Authority, member of the Schuylkill County
6 Executive Board, member of the Mahanoy Township School Board,
7 member of the Mahanoy Area School Board and director of the
8 Morea-New Boston Breaker Corporation. He was also active in
9 St. Canicus Roman Catholic Church of Mahanoy City.

10 (6) Cornelius McElhenny dedicated his life to his
11 community, and it is fitting that the bridge be officially
12 and permanently designated in his honor.

13 (b) Designation.--The bridge, known as State Bridge No. 53-
14 0054-0290-0143, carrying S.R. 54 in Mahanoy Township, Schuylkill
15 County, over the Reading and Northern Railroad, is hereby
16 designated as the Cornelius McElhenny Memorial Bridge.

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

20 Section 2. Effective date.

21 This act shall take effect in 60 days.