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by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 54, Chapter 5, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) The department may allow the erection and maintenance of suitable memorial monuments within the rights-of-way of conventional state highways, as defined in § 54-5-1003, commemorating musicians, singers, songwriters, or musical producers whose birthplace is in Tennessee and who have been inducted as members into any national, state, or local hall of fame or other nonprofit organization dedicated to honoring and preserving the legacy of its members whose legacies are uniquely associated with the music communities in the various cities and counties of this state.

(b) The municipal or county legislative body of the municipality or county, which is the birthplace of the deceased person, may request that a memorial monument be displayed on a right-of-way within the municipality or county by making an application to the department on a form prescribed by the department, and submitting plans prepared by an engineer licensed to practice in this state, which shall contain the following information:

(1) Site-specific proposal, including an index sheet with vicinity map;

(2) Dimensions and offsets, including right-of-way lines, edge of pavement, center line, and clear recovery zone;

(3) Location for placement of the proposal monument, including topography;

(4) Preliminary and proposal monument;

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(5) Discussion of proposed materials, colors, and text;

(6) Proposed message or inscription to be communicated; and

(7) If the monument has been fabricated, a photograph of the monument.

(c) The erection of the memorial monuments shall be within the guidelines prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices and within the state supplemental guidelines, as applicable.

(d) A memorial monument erected pursuant to this section shall consist of marble, granite, bronze, or other stone; be of an appropriate size, color, and shape; and contain an inscription and content, as determined by the department.

(e) The costs of the erection of the memorial monuments shall be paid by the requesting municipality or county or any person or entity other than the state.

(f) The department is authorized to promulgate rules in accordance with the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, compiled in title 4, chapter 5, to implement this section.

SECTION 2. The department of transportation is urged to install as soon as reasonably practicable a memorial monument pursuant to this act to honor the memory of Kim Edwin Williams, a songwriter and inductee of the Nashville Songwriters Hall of Fame, who died on February 11, 2016, and whose birthplace is the City of Kingsport, Tennessee.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017, the public welfare requiring it.