

HOUSE BILL 1609

By McDonald

AN ACT to name a segment of State Highway 109 in
Sumner County in honor of Tommy Marlin.

WHEREAS, from time to time, the members of this General Assembly have seen fit to name certain highways and bridges to honor those exemplary public servants who have contributed significantly to the growth and prosperity of their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, no Tennessean is more deserving of this honor than Tommy Marlin, who served with distinction as Sumner County Executive; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Marlin has exhibited a sincere love for his community, not only through his distinguished record of public service, but also through his participation in numerous civic activities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Marlin has set an example as a person, Christian, and family man that all would do well to emulate; and

WHEREAS, Tommy Marlin will always be known and respected as a man of integrity who continually strives for the betterment of his community, county, and country; and

WHEREAS, the Sumner County Board of Commissioners has petitioned this General Assembly to name a certain segment of State Highway 109 to honor Mr. Marlin and recognize his bountiful life of purpose and commitment to the greater good; now, therefore,

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, the segment of State Highway 109 in Sumner County from such route's intersection with State Route 25 to its intersection with Old State Highway 109 north of Gallatin is hereby designated the "Tommy Marlin Highway" as a tribute to an excellent public servant and even more accomplished human being.

SECTION 2. The department of transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating the segment of State Highway 109 described in Section 1 as the "Tommy Marlin Highway."

SECTION 3. The erection of such signs shall be within the guidelines prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

SECTION 4. This act shall become operative only if the federal highway administrator advises the commissioner of transportation in writing that the provisions of this act shall not render Tennessee in violation of federal laws and regulations and subject to penalties prescribed therein.

SECTION 5. This act shall become operative only if the cost of the manufacture and installation of such signs is paid to the department of transportation by Sumner County within one (1) year of the effective date of this act. Such payment shall be made prior to any expenditure by the state for the manufacture or installation of such signs. The department shall return any unused portion of the estimated cost to the person or entity paying for such signs within thirty (30) days of the erection of such signs. If the actual cost exceeds the estimated cost, an amount equal to the difference in such costs shall be remitted to the department by Sumner County within thirty (30) days of the sponsoring person or entity receiving an itemized invoice of the actual cost from the department.

SECTION 6. The appellation "Tommy Marlin Highway" provided for in this act is for honorary purposes only and nothing contained herein shall be construed as requiring the alteration of any address, or the governmental system for assigning addresses, in any county, municipality, or other governmental entity affected by this act.

SECTION 7. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.