

SENATE BILL NO. 5

INTRODUCED BY R. TEMPEL

A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ESTABLISHING THE OTTO FOSSEN MEMORIAL HIGHWAY IN LIBERTY COUNTY; DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO INSTALL SIGNS AT THE LOCATION AND TO INCLUDE THE MEMORIAL HIGHWAY ON THE NEXT PUBLICATION OF THE STATE HIGHWAY MAP; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

WHEREAS, Deputy Sheriff Otto Fossen lived, raised his family, and served in Liberty County, where many of his descendants still reside; and

WHEREAS, Otto Fossen dedicated 30 years to service for public safety, protecting the people of north central Montana as Deputy Sheriff of Liberty County; and

WHEREAS, Otto Fossen was a man who was compassionate and fair, a man who kept the peace in his community, in his state, and in his heart; and

WHEREAS, Otto Fossen selflessly helped his community as leader, loyal servant, and hero; and

WHEREAS, on October 5, 1957, Otto Fossen gave his life in the line of duty while protecting his community; and

WHEREAS, the 67th Legislature of the State of Montana honors Otto Fossen for his service and sacrifice.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

NEW SECTION. Section 1. Otto Fossen memorial highway. (1) There is established the Otto Fossen memorial highway on the existing U.S. highway 2 from mile marker 329 to the Hill County line.

(2) The department shall design and install appropriate signs marking the location of the Otto Fossen memorial highway, stating his name, title, and the date of his passing.

(3) Maps that identify roadways in Montana must be updated to include the location of the Otto Fossen memorial highway when the department updates and publishes the state maps.

