HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES STAFF ANALYSIS

 BILL #:
 CS/HB 643
 State Road Designations

 SPONSOR(S):
 Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council; Bush and others

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SUMMARY ANALYSIS

Section 334.071, F.S., provides for legislative designations of transportation facilities for honorary or memorial purposes, or to distinguish a particular facility. The legislative designations do not "officially" change the current names of the facilities, nor does the statute require local governments and private entities to change street signs, mailing addresses, or 911 emergency telephone-number system listings.

The bill creates the following designations in Miami-Dade County:

- That portion of N.W. 79th Street between N.W. 6th Avenue and E. 12th Avenue as "Miss Lillie Williams Boulevard."
- That portion of State Road 997 between S.W. 288th Street and S.W. 344th Street as "John Torres Family Road."
- That portion of S.W. 88th Street between S.W. 137th Avenue and S.W. 142nd Avenue as "Manuel Capo Way."
- That portion of S.W. 8th Street between 24th Avenue and S.W. 27th Avenue as "Manuel Capo Way."
- That portion of U.S. 1, also known as State Road 5, between S.W. 104th Street and S.W. 112th Street as "Lt. Colonel Charles Brown Memorial Highway."

The bill also amends the Jose A. Marques Boulevard designation in Miami-Dade County which was passed in 2008 to extend it 10 blocks and to add "Dr." to the designation.

The bill directs DOT to erect suitable markers for each of these designations.

Assuming that two markers are erected, DOT estimates the cost to be \$4,800. This expenditure is from the State Transportation Trust Fund and includes installation and maintenance costs.

The bill does not create any constitutional or other legal issues. It takes effect July 1, 2010.

HOUSE PRINCIPLES

Members are encouraged to evaluate proposed legislation in light of the following guiding principles of the House of Representatives

- Balance the state budget.
- Create a legal and regulatory environment that fosters economic growth and job creation.
- Lower the tax burden on families and businesses.
- Reverse or restrain the growth of government.
- Promote public safety.
- Promote educational accountability, excellence, and choice.
- Foster respect for the family and for innocent human life.
- Protect Florida's natural beauty.

FULL ANALYSIS

I. SUBSTANTIVE ANALYSIS

A. EFFECT OF PROPOSED CHANGES:

Current Situation

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The statute requires the Florida Department of Transportation (DOT) to place a marker at each terminus or intersection of an identified road or bridge, and to erect other markers it deems appropriate for the transportation facility. The statute also provides that a city or county must pass a resolution in support of a particular designation before road markers are erected. Additionally, if the designated road segment extends through multiple cities or counties, a resolution must be passed by each affected local government.

Effect of Proposed Change

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The bill also section 17 of ch. 2008-256, L.O.F. creating the Jose A. Marques Boulevard designation in Miami-Dade County which was passed by the Legislature in 2008 to extend the designation 10 blocks and to add "Dr." to the designation.

The bill directs DOT to erect suitable markers for each of these designations.

The bill has an effective date of July 1, 2010.

- B. SECTION DIRECTORY:
 - Section 1 Designates the "Miss Lillie Williams Boulevard;" directs DOT to erect suitable markers.
 - Section 2 Designates the "John Torrese Family Road;" directs DOT to erect suitable markers.
 - Section 3 Designates "Manuel Capo Way;" directs DOT to erect suitable markers.
 - Section 4 Designates "Manuel Capo Boulevard;" directs DOT to erect suitable markers.
 - Section 5 Designates "Lt. Colonel Charles Brown Memorial Highway;" directs DOT to erect suitable markers.
 - Section 6 Amends s. 17 of ch. 2008-256, L.O.F., relating to Dr. Jose A. Marques Boulevard; revising the designation.
 - Section 7 Provides an effective date.

II. FISCAL ANALYSIS & ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT

- A. FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE GOVERNMENT:
 - 1. Revenues:

None

2. Expenditures:

DOT estimates that the cost to erect two suitable road markers for this designation is approximately \$4,800. This expenditure is from the State Transportation Trust Fund and includes installation and maintenance costs.

- B. FISCAL IMPACT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS:
 - 1. Revenues:

None

2. Expenditures:

None

C. DIRECT ECONOMIC IMPACT ON PRIVATE SECTOR:

None

D. FISCAL COMMENTS:

None

III. COMMENTS

A. CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES:

1. Applicability of Municipality/County Mandates Provision:

Not applicable because the bill does not appear to require the counties or cities to spend funds or take an action requiring the expenditure of funds; reduce the authority that cities or counties have to raise revenues in the aggregate; or reduce the percentage of a state tax shared with cities or counties.

2. Other:

None

B. RULE-MAKING AUTHORITY:

None

C. DRAFTING ISSUES OR OTHER COMMENTS:

While not mentioned in the bill, N.W. 79th Street is also State Road 934.

According to the resume submitted by Rep. Bush's office, Miss Lillie Williams is a former Miami-Dade County Community Action Agency member and chairwoman of the Dade Employment Economic Development Corporation. She received a B.S. from Florida A&M University in 1950, a B.S. in Behavioral Science from Shaw University in 1970, and a Masters degree in Behavioral Science from A&T State University in 1980.

The John Torres Family established TNT Farms, which cultivates approximately 2,000 acres of squash and beans in Miami-Dade County and in White Springs.

Manuel Capo was the CEO of El Dorado furniture, which is the largest Hispanic-owned furniture store in the United States.

Lt. Colonel Charles Brown was a World War II veteran who received several United States and foreign decorations, awards, and citations during his diplomatic career. He later founded an energy and environmental research center and received recognition in the field of "smokeless diesel engines."

IV. AMENDMENTS/COUNCIL OR COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE CHANGES

On March 3, 2010, the Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council adopted one amendment and reported the bill favorably. The amendment created the following designations:

- John Torrese Family Road
- Manuel Capo Way
- Manuel Capo Boulevard
- Lt. Colonel Charles Brown Memorial Highway.

The amendment also modified the existing Dr. Jose A. Marques Boulevard designation.