

The Florida Senate
BILL ANALYSIS AND FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

(This document is based on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

Prepared By: The Professional Staff of the Committee on Transportation

BILL: SB 480

INTRODUCER: Senator Simmons

SUBJECT: Transportation Facility Designations

DATE: February 21, 2017

REVISED: _____

	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
1. Price	_____	Miller	TR	Pre-meeting

I. Summary:

SB 480 designates a portion of State Road 408 in Orange County as “Arnold Palmer Expressway” and directs the Florida Department of Transportation to erect suitable markers.

The estimated cost to erect the designation markers required under the bill is \$1,000.

II. Present Situation:

Section 334.071, F.S., provides that legislative designations of transportation facilities are for honorary or memorial purposes, or to distinguish a particular facility. Such designations may not be construed as requiring any action by local governments or private parties regarding the changing of any street signs, mailing addresses, or 911 emergency telephone number system listings, unless the legislation specifically provides for such changes.¹

When the Legislature establishes road or bridge designations, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is required to place markers only at the termini specified for each highway segment or bridge designated by the law creating the designation, and to erect any other markers it deems appropriate for the transportation facility.²

The FDOT may not erect the markers for honorary road or bridge designations unless the affected city or county commission enacts a resolution supporting the designation. When the designated road or bridge segment is located in more than one city or county, each affected local government must pass resolutions supporting the designations prior to installation of the markers.³

¹ Section 334.071(1), F.S.

² Section 334.071(2), F.S.

³ Section 334.071(3), F.S.

III. Effect of Proposed Changes:

The bill designates the portion of State Road 408 between Kirkman Road and Clarke Road in Orange County as “Arnold Palmer Expressway” and directs the FDOT to erect suitable markers.

Arnold Palmer was a professional golfer who spent his winters in Central Florida. He was also a philanthropist involved in charitable endeavors, including the creation and development of the Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children and the Winnie Palmer Hospital for Women & Babies. The Arnold Palmer Invitational golf tournament is annually played at Bay Hill in the Orlando area. Arnold Palmer passed away on September 26, 2016.

IV. Constitutional Issues:**A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:**

None.

B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

None.

V. Fiscal Impact Statement:**A. Tax/Fee Issues:**

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

None.

C. Government Sector Impact:

The estimated cost to erect the designation markers required under the bill is \$1,000 for two signs at a cost of no less than \$500 each. The estimate includes sign fabrication, installation, and maintenance over time but does not include any additional expenses related to maintenance of traffic, dedication event costs, or replacement necessitated by damage, vandalism, or storm events.

VI. Technical Deficiencies:

None.

VII. Related Issues:

None.

VIII. Statutes Affected:

The bill creates an undesignated section of Florida Law.

IX. Additional Information:

A. Committee Substitute – Statement of Changes:

(Summarizing differences between the Committee Substitute and the prior version of the bill.)

None.

B. Amendments:

None.

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