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BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HCR 3029

House Transportation Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date February 16, 2001

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Committee Clerk Signature <i>Laurie J. Zind</i>			

Minutes: Rep. Weisz - Chairman opened the hearing on HCR 3029; A concurrent resolution designating United States Highway 83 through the state of North Dakota as the "Veterans of Foreign Wars Memorial Highway".

Rep. Wentz: 3rd District - part of Ward county. This resolution is an expression of our respect and a show of appreciation for the sacrifices our service people have made on our behalf. HCR 3029 seeks to designate US Highway 83 from the US-Canadian border through our bordering states all the way to the Mexican border as the Veterans of Foreign Wars Memorial Highway. I introduced this resolution on behalf of some very special people and they are all here to make their case.

Rep. Thorpe: (4711) Isn't this highway designated as the 'Trade Corridor' or something like that and US 281 the 'Memorial Highway'?

Rep. Wentz: I think that is a process which a group of people are organized to bring that about.

Rep. Schmidt: (4768) Us 281 which runs has Memorial Highway on it but this would

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specifically say 'Foreign Wars' and I think it would be good.

Robert Volk: I am State Commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of North Dakota. A copy of his prepared remarks is attached.

Rep. Jensen: (5383) Have any of the other states had any road blocks in this effort?

Robert Volk: No, they haven't.

Arnold Maier: I am from Bismarck and a Past District Commander of the VFW National Memorial. I rise in support of this naming US 83 the National Memorial highway -- fully support it.

John Jacobson: I am a retired Colonel and served over 30 years in the Army reserve in the North Dakota National Guard. A copy of his prepared testimony is attached.

TESTIMONY CONTINUES OF SIDE B

Bob Hanson: I am a member of the coordinating council and the States Commander of the AMVETS. I am here just to let you know that the other Veterans organization also support this resolution. Our Council is made up of the AMVETS, American Legion, in addition to those who had testified here today.

Rep. Weisz - Chairman (54) How many members of the armed services are represented by these veterans organizations?

Robert Volk: Right now it is a little less than 11,000.

OPPOSITION TESTIMONY -- (98)

Tim Horner: I am Transportation Services Director for the NDDOT. We from the DOT are not speaking in opposition. I thought I would explain how a similar process has worked and how I think this would go. US Highway 281 was designated the American Legion Memorial Highway.

We responded to a request for signing and placing signs where they were requested and as we worked it out with them. We give a permit for that and they do the installation. We don't know how many signs there are on that highway because we don't keep an inventory. The sponsor is usually responsible for watching the quality of the sign. That how we would envision this would work.

Rep. Weisz - Chairman (178) That explains the lack of a fiscal note.

Tim Horner: Yes.

There being no opposition testimony on HCR 3029 the hearing was closed. (193).

Rep. Kelsch: (201) I move a 'Do Pass' for HCR 3029.

Rep. Mahoney: I second the motion.

Rep. Carlson: I was wondering why this is a resolution instead of a bill when it directs some thing.

Rep. Kelsch: This is because it is a designation -- an action that does not require the state to do anything except to consent as they are not doing anything-- the organizations are if it is to get done.

On a voice vote HCR 3029 carried unanimously. Chairman Weisz directed the it be placed on the consent calendar.

Rep Schmidt requested the honor of carry HCR 3029 on the floor as he is a long standing VFW member.

Ended (368)

Date: 2-16-01
Roll Call Vote #:

2001 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. H.C.R. 3629

House Transportation Committee

Subcommittee on _____
or
 Conference Committee

Voice Vote

Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken Do Pass

Motion Made By Ku Seconded By mc

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Robin Weisz - Chairman			Howard Grumbo		
Chet Pollert - Vice Chairman			John Mahoney		
Al Carlson			Arlo E. Schmidt		
Mark A. Dosch			Elwood Thorpe		
Kathy Hawken					
Roxanne Jensen					
RaeAnn G. Kelsch					
Clara Sue Price					
Dan Ruby					
Laurel Thoreson					

Total (Yes) 14 No _____

Absent _____

Floor Assignment Schmidt

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)
February 16, 2001 12:46 p.m.

Module No: HR-29-3668
Carrier: Schmidt
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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HCR 3029: Transportation Committee (Rep. Weisz, Chairman) recommends DO PASS and BE PLACED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR (14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HCR 3029 was placed on the Tenth order on the calendar.

Rep. Weisz

2001 SENATE TRANSPORTATION

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2001 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HCR 3029

Senate Transportation Committee

Conference Committee

Hearing Date 3-8-01

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Committee Clerk Signature <i>Suzette Schafe</i>			

Minutes: **HCR 3029** is a concurrent resolution designating United States Highway 83 through the state of North Dakota as the "Veterans of Foreign Wars Memorial Highway".

Rep. Janet Wentz: (District 3; Supports) I support this bill. It is an expression of regard and appreciation for the veterans. This is a cooperative effort being made by all states in which US Highway 83 runs through. From North Dakota to Texas. Some states have already done so.

Senator Bercier: (District 9; Supports) This is a national effort to have the entire US Highway 83 from Canada to Texas named the "Veterans of Foreign Wars Memorial Highway". Some states have already done this. It is only fitting and proper to allow this.

Robert Volk: (State Commander Veterans of Foreign Wars Department of ND; Supports) See attached testimony.

Bob Hanson:(NDVEC; Lobbyist #346; Supports) States that they unanimously endorse.

John Jacobsen: (NDVEC Legislative Committee; Lobbyist #341; Supports) There are no fiscal notes with this. There will be a total of six signs in North Dakota.

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Senator Stenejem: Will there be any in Bismarck?

Rep. Wentz: Yes, north of Bismarck. Also, Minot, Sterling, and on the ND and SD borders.

Hearing closed.

Senator Bercier motions to Do Pass. Seconded by Senator Trenbeath. Roll call taken. 6-0-0.

Floor carrier is Senator Bercier.

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Date: _____
Roll Call Vote #: 1

2001 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
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Senate Transportation Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken Do Pass

Motion Made By Bercier Seconded By Trenbeath

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Senator Stenejem, Chairman	X		Senator O'Connell	X	
Senator Trenbeath, Vice-Chair	X		Senator Bercier	X	
Senator Mutch	X				
Senator Espegard	X				

Total (Yes) 6 No 0

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Bercier

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)
March 8, 2001 11:52 a.m.

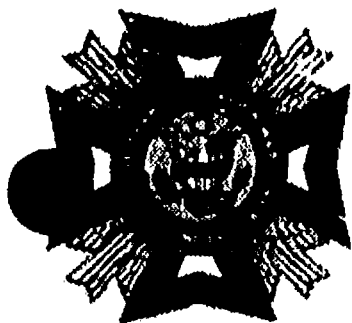
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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HCR 3029: Transportation Committee (Sen. Stenehjem, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HCR 3029 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

2001 TESTIMONY

HCR 3029



**VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS
OF THE UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF NORTH DAKOTA**

**Robert L. Volk
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February 16, 2001

House Transportation Committee
Representative Robin L. Weisz Chairman

Good Morning.

My name is Robert L. Volk from Harvey and I am State Commander Veterans Of Foreign Wars Department Of North Dakota.

I am here before you this morning to ask for favorable consideration of House Concurrent Resolution No. 3029 designating US Highway 83 through North Dakota as "VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS MEMORIAL HIGHWAY."

This resolution introduced by Representatives Wentz, Carlisle, Timm, Wrangham and Senators Bercier, Schobinger gives many good reasons for this designation.

US Highway 83 extends from the Canadian border in North Dakota to the Mexican border in Texas.

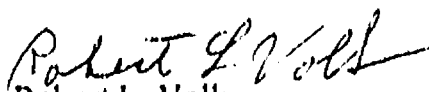
Nebraska has taken the lead and dedicated US 83 on Veterans Day 2000. Oklahoma has just passed it and will dedicate in April this year. In Kansas it is in the Legislature now and has the support of the Governor. South Dakota and Texas are working on it and I am sure will get it done soon.

It should be noted that US Highway 281 from North Dakota to Texas was named as American Legion Memorial Highway on March 30, 1960.

It would be a lasting Honor for North Dakota Veterans both living and deceased who gave so much for our State and Country to have this designation.

As State Commander Veterans Of Foreign Wars Department Of North Dakota a Veterans Organization that was 100 years old in 1999, that is made up of Veterans who served overseas in War time I fully indorse House Concurrent Resolution No. 3029.

Sincerely:


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