Sponsor Testimony: **House Bill 293, David Sterner Bridge Dedication**

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Representative Cross:

Chairman Green, Vice-Chair McClain, Ranking Member Sheehy, and members of the House Transportation and Public Safety Committee, I am excited to introduce and provide testimony for House Bill 293- David Sterner Bridge Dedication

On February 25th, 1973 Patrolman David L. Sterner was killed at the intersection of State Route 15 and State Route 37 in Hancock County, Ohio. He was on duty in pursuit of a fleeing vehicle and was ran into from a car pulling out from the intersection.

He was a valiant public servant and his untimely death was a disservice to the people of Hancock County. The decision to construct this bridge was in no doubt due, in part, to this unfortunate accident. I believe that Patrolman Sterner and his family certainly deserve this memorial and I am happy to bring this legislation in front of you today to do so.

Thank you Mr. Chairman and I’d be happy to answer any questions.