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**Senate Bill 323**  
**Senate Transportation Committee**  
**Sponsor Testimony – Senator Bob Hackett**  
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Chair Kunze, Vice Chair Reineke, Ranking Member Antonio, and members of the Senate Transportation Committee, thank you for the opportunity to present sponsor testimony on Senate Bill 323.

Senate Bill 323 would designate a portion of U.S. Route 35 in Greene County as the "Sheriff Gene Fischer Memorial Highway."

Sheriff Fischer graduated from Fairborn High School in 1974, earned an associate's degree in law enforcement from Clark Technical College, a bachelor's in criminal justice from Capitol University and a master's in criminal justice administration from Tiffin University. He also served as president of the Buckeye State Sheriffs Association in 2015. He was a Xenia Police Officer for 20 years, from 1983 to 2003. He became the Greene County Sheriff in 2003 and held that position for the past 18 years.

Sheriff Fischer was active in many civic organizations, and he received many community, masonic, and law enforcement awards.

The sudden passing late last year of Sheriff Gene Fischer stunned the Greene County community and his presence, wisdom, and kindness will be greatly missed. He was a dedicated public servant who took pride in representing the people of Greene County for nearly 40 years. Therefore, it is my request to designate this portion of U.S. Route 35 to commemorate Sheriff Gene Fischer.

Thank you once again Chair Kunze and members of the committee for the opportunity to present this legislation to you today. I will be glad to answer any questions at this time.