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**BILL ANALYSIS**

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Senate Bill 513 (Substitute S-1 as passed by the Senate)  
Sponsor: Senator Jim Stamas  
Committee: Transportation

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**RATIONALE**

Aaron D. Ullom served in the United States Navy as a hospital corpsman. During a patrol, he was shot and killed by enemy fire while trying to apply a tourniquet to a wounded Marine in Helmand Province, Afghanistan, on July 12, 2011. Mr. Ullom was a 2009 Midland High School graduate, and had served in the Navy since October 2009 with the goal of pursuing a career in the medical field. In recognition of his service and sacrifice, it has been suggested that a bridge in the Midland area should be named after him.

**CONTENT**

The bill would amend the Michigan Memorial Highway Act to name the bridge on highway US-10 over Eastman Avenue in the City of Midland the "Corpsman Aaron D. Ullom Memorial Bridge".

Proposed MCL 250.1003a

**ARGUMENTS**

*(Please note: The arguments contained in this analysis originate from sources outside the Senate Fiscal Agency. The Senate Fiscal Agency neither supports nor opposes legislation.)*

**Supporting Argument**

Aaron D. Ullom displayed courage and bravery during his rescue of a wounded soldier under fire. He gave his own life to save another, and is remembered as a hero by his family, his fellow soldiers, residents of Midland, and others in Michigan. Mr. Ullom not only performed his duty as a corpsman, but went above and beyond that call of duty to put himself in danger to save another.

Naming a bridge after Aaron D. Ullom would honor and memorialize his sacrifice and heroism. It is the hope of Mr. Ullom's family that if individuals were to drive over the "Corpsman Aaron D. Ullom Memorial Bridge", they would see his name and remember him with a smile.

Legislative Analyst: Drew Krogulecki

**FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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