

Legislative Analysis



NICHOLAS A. SADA AND SERGEANT DAVYON D. ROSE MEMORIAL HIGHWAY

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Senate Bill 1009 as passed by the Senate
Sponsor: Sen. Curtis Hertel, Jr.
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SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 1009 would amend the Michigan Memorial Highway Act to designate the portion of highway I-94 between South Harris Road and Wiard Road in Ypsilanti Charter Township as the “Nicholas A. Sada and Sergeant Davyon D. Rose Memorial Highway.”

Proposed MCL 250.1108

BACKGROUND:

According to Senate committee testimony and media reports, Nicholas Andres Sada was born to Nikki Sada and Nicholas Male on May 30, 1997, in Lansing, Michigan. Nicholas Sada attended Lansing Everett High School, where he was a proud Viking football player, graduating in 2015. In 2018, Nicholas accepted a position as a construction work with C&D Hughes Inc., a road construction firm. He loved doing construction work and was employed for approximately two years.

Davyon D. Rose was born on March 10, 1997, in Lansing, Michigan, to Diana Rose-Stitt and Karlton Stitt. Davyon attended Everett High School and graduated in 2015. He and Nicholas Sada were high school classmates. After graduating, Davyon enlisted in the United States Army and served as Sergeant 1st Battalion, 509th Airborne Infantry Regiment, Easy Company, from 2016 to 2020. Returning home after his service, and at the suggestion of his friend Nicholas Sada, Davyon accepted a construction worker position at C&D Hughes.

On November 7, 2020, at approximately 1:40 a.m., while assigned to work on I-94 in Ypsilanti Charter Township, Nicholas Sada and Davyon D. Rose were struck by a suspected drunk driver. They died of their injuries. Both were 23 years old.

Designating a portion of I-94 in Ypsilanti Charter Township would be an appropriate way to honor Nicolas Sada and Davyon Rose for their service to our state.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Section 2 of the Michigan Memorial Highway Act indicates that the state transportation department shall provide for the erection of suitable markers indicating the name of the

highway only “when sufficient private contributions are received to completely cover the cost of erecting and maintaining those markers.” As a result, the bill has no state or local fiscal impact.

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