

2026 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 24

BY SENATOR CONNICK

ROADS/HIGHWAYS. Designates Interstate 49 as "Senator J. Bennett Johnston Jr. Memorial Highway". (8/1/26)

AN ACT

To provide relative to state highways; to designate Interstate 49 in the state of Louisiana as "Senator J. Bennett Johnston Jr. Memorial Highway"; to provide for location and placement of signage; to provide for restrictions on costs of materials to the department; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

**Section 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, Interstate 49 in its entirety in the state of Louisiana beginning where Interstate 49 intersects with Interstate 10 in Lafayette Parish, extending north through the state of Louisiana, is hereby designated as "Senator J. Bennett Johnston Jr. Memorial Highway".**

**Section 2. The Department of Transportation and Development is hereby directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs of this designation provided local or private monies are received by the department equal to the department's actual costs for material, fabrication, mounting posts, and installation of each sign, not to exceed the sum of two thousand two hundred fifty dollars per sign.**

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Senate Legislative Services. The keyword, summary, and digest do not constitute part of the law or proof or indicia of legislative intent. [R.S. 1:13(B) and 24:177(E)]

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Designates I-49 in the state of La. as "Senator J. Bennett Johnston Jr. Memorial Highway".

Directs DOTD to erect and maintain appropriate signs of this designation provided certain cost restrictions are satisfied.

Effective August 1, 2026.