

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 1020 Session of  
2023

INTRODUCED BY LANGERHOLC AND J. WARD, DECEMBER 11, 2023

REFERRED TO TRANSPORTATION, DECEMBER 11, 2023

AN ACT

1 Designating a bridge, identified as Bridge Key 5796, carrying  
2 State Route 4001 over U.S. Route 22 in Allegheny Township,  
3 Blair County, as the LCPL Ralph J. Fabbri USMC Memorial  
4 Bridge.

5 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania  
6 hereby enacts as follows:

7 Section 1. LCPL Ralph J. Fabbri USMC Memorial Bridge.

8 (a) Findings.--The General Assembly finds and declares as  
9 follows:

10 (1) Ralph John Fabbri was born September 29, 1989, in  
11 Altoona, Blair County.

12 (2) LCPL Fabbri attended Penn Cambria High School and  
13 graduated in 2008.

14 (3) During his time at Penn Cambria, LCPL Fabbri was  
15 active in arts groups and had some of his work exhibited at  
16 Mount Aloysius College.

17 (4) Following a period of military service, LCPL Fabbri  
18 intended to become an art teacher.

19 (5) On August 11, 2008, LCPL Fabbri enlisted in the

1 United States Marine Corps.

2 (6) LCPL Fabbri was assigned to the Headquarters  
3 Battalion, 1st Marine Division, I Marine Expeditionary Force,  
4 Camp Pendleton, California.

5 (7) LCPL Fabbri was deployed to Afghanistan and  
6 participated in Operation Enduring Freedom.

7 (8) On September 28, 2010, LCPL Fabbri was killed in  
8 action in the Helmand Province of Afghanistan.

9 (9) LCPL Fabbri's death occurred one day before his 21st  
10 birthday.

11 (10) LCPL Fabbri was due home from his tour in October  
12 2010, and was to meet his high school sweetheart at the  
13 Marine Corps Ball in November 2010.

14 (11) Upon his passing, LCPL Fabbri was honored by the  
15 Governors of Pennsylvania and California for his ultimate  
16 sacrifice to our nation.

17 (12) LCPL Fabbri's remains traveled under the bridge  
18 that is the subject of this act when his body was returned to  
19 the United States after his death.

20 (b) Designation.--The bridge, identified as Bridge Key 5796,  
21 carrying State Route 4001 over U.S. Route 22 in Allegheny  
22 Township, Blair County, is designated as the LCPL Ralph J.  
23 Fabbri USMC Memorial Bridge.

24 (c) Signs.--The Department of Transportation shall erect and  
25 maintain appropriate signs displaying the name of the bridge to  
26 traffic in both directions on the bridge.

27 Section 2. Effective date.

28 This act shall take effect in 60 days.