

1 SJR100
2 213081-1
3 By Senator Marsh
4 RFD: Rules
5 First Read: 20-APR-21

8 NAMING THE NANCES CREEK BRIDGE ON US-278 IN CALHOUN
9 COUNTY, THE RANDALL A. ESTES MEMORIAL BRIDGE.
10

11 WHEREAS, Randall A. Estes was born on August 9,
12 1935, at his parent's home in Tennala in the McGhee Bend
13 community near Centre in Cherokee County, Alabama; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Estes attended and graduated from
15 Spring Garden High School in 1953, and attended Jacksonville
16 State College; and

17 WHEREAS, he began a career with the Alabama Highway
18 Department in October 1954 that would last over 50 years,
19 working in construction, planning, programming, bridge design,
20 maintenance management and training, and as a bureau chief and
21 division engineer, retiring in February 2008; and

22 WHEREAS, he became a licensed Professional Engineer
23 on February 16, 1968; and

24 WHEREAS, he is credited with conducting professional
25 development instructional assignments during his 24 years with
26 the Maintenance Bureau that involved an estimated 10,000 city,
27 county, state, federal and private industry employees, and

established the standards and fundamental practices that remain in use for training and certifying inspectors for the safety inspection of the State of Alabama's nearly 16,000 bridges; and

WHEREAS, he traveled with 51 foreign mission teams in the name of the United Methodist Church over 34 years, working with 15 dental teams, 36 construction teams, and 1,300 missionaries; and

WHEREAS, he worked with Habitat for Humanity on a President Jimmy Carter building blitz near Americus, Georgia, in 2000, that eliminated sub-standard housing in the area; and

WHEREAS, perhaps his greatest legacy is that he was the epitome of a devoted and loving husband and father, grandfather and great-grandfather, and that he was a loyal friend to innumerable people from varied walks of life, leaving behind the gift of his love to be cherished in the hearts of all who knew him; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the bridge over Nances Creek on US-278 in Calhoun County, be designated the Randall A. Estes Memorial Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Department of Transportation is requested to determine the cost of fabricating and erecting the appropriate signs or markers, consistent with applicable requirements and laws, and upon receiving funds from non-state sources covering that cost, to

1 erect those signs or markers as provided in this resolution in
2 recognition of this memorial designation.