

2025 HOUSE TRANSPORTATION

HB 1426

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Transportation Committee Room JW327E, State Capitol

HB 1426
1/24/2025

Relating to designating the bridge on state highway 6 as the CPL Raymond Porter Korea bridge; and to provide a continuing appropriation.

9:20 a.m. Chairman D. Ruby opened the hearing.

Members Present: Chairman D. Ruby, Vice Chairman Grueneich, Representatives Christianson, Dressler, Finley-DeVile, Frelich, Hendrix, Johnston, Kasper, Koppelman, Maki, Morton, Osowski, Schatz

Discussion Topics:

- The life and service of Corporal Raymond Porter
- Medal of Honor

9:20 a.m. Representative Dockter, District 7, ND Legislative Assembly, introduced the bill and submitted testimony #31291.

9:25 a.m. Chairman D. Ruby closed the hearing.

9:26 a.m. Representative Morton moved a Do Pass.

9:26 a.m. Representative Frelich seconded the motion.

Representatives	Vote
Representative Craig Headland	Y
Representative Jared Hagert	Y
Representative Dick Anderson	Y
Representative Jason Dockter	Y
Representative Ty Dressler	Y
Representative Jim Grueneich	Y
Representative Mike Motschenbacher	Y
Representative Dennis Nehring	Y
Representative Jeremy Olson	Y
Representative Todd Porter	Y
Representative Vicky Steiner	Y
Representative Nathan Toman	Y
Representative Austin Foss	Y
Representative Zachary Ista	Y

9:26 a.m. Motion passed 14-0-0.

9:26 a.m. Representative Frelich will carry the bill.

9:27 a.m. Chairman D. Ruby closed the meeting.

Janae Pinks, Committee Clerk

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
HB 1426 ([25.1147.01000](#))

Transportation Committee (Rep. D. Ruby, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1426 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

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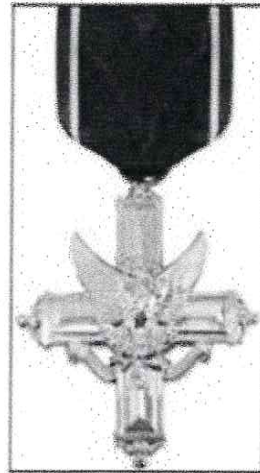
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General Orders: Headquarters, Eighth U.S. Army, Korea: General Orders No. 204 (April 19, 1952)

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2025 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Transportation Committee Fort Totten Room, State Capitol

HB 1426 9:00 AM
3/7/2025

Relating to designating the bridge on state highway 6 as the CPL Raymond Porter Korea bridge; and to provide a continuing appropriation.

9:01 a.m. Chairman Clemens called the meeting to order.

Members present: Chairman Clemens, Vice Chairwoman Cory, Senator Hogan, Senator Klein, Senator Paulson, Senator Rummel

Discussion Topics:

- Funding and location of road signs
- Timeframe of installation of signs

9:02 a.m. Representative Dockter, District 7, introduced HB 1426, testified in favor and submitted testimony #39523.

9:08 a.m. Wade Swenson, Director of Operations, NDDOT, testified neutral.

9:12 a.m. Chairman Clemens closed the hearing.

Chance Anderson, Committee Clerk

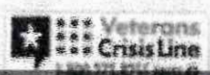
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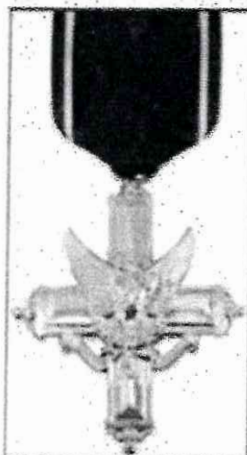
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HB 1426 9:43 AM
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9:43 a.m. Chairman Clemens opened the hearing.

Members present: Chairman Clemens, Vice Chairwoman Cory, Senator Hogan, Senator Klein, Senator Paulson, Senator Rummel

Discussion Topics:

- Addition of an emergency clause

9:45 a.m. Senator Paulson moved Amendment LC#25.1147.01001.

9:45 a.m. Senator Hogan seconded the motion.

Senators	Vote
Senator David A. Clemens	Y
Senator Claire Cory	Y
Senator Kathy Hogan	Y
Senator Jerry Klein	Y
Senator Bob Paulson	Y
Senator Dean Rummel	Y

Motion passed 6-0-0.

9:46 a.m. Senator Paulson moved a Do Pass as Amended.

9:46 a.m. Senator Klein seconded the motion.

Senators	Vote
Senator David A. Clemens	Y
Senator Claire Cory	Y
Senator Kathy Hogan	Y
Senator Jerry Klein	Y
Senator Bob Paulson	Y
Senator Dean Rummel	Y

Motion passed 6-0-0.

Senator Paulson will carry the bill.

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9:46 a.m. Chairman Clemens closed the hearing.

Chance Anderson, Committee Clerk

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Sixty-ninth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO

HOUSE BILL NO. 1426

Introduced by

Representatives Dockter, Holle, Martinson, Porter, Rohr, Toman, Heinert

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 24-01 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to designating the bridge on state highway 6 as the CPL Raymond
3 Porter Korea bridge; ~~and~~ to provide a continuing appropriation; and to declare an emergency.

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 24-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
6 and enacted as follows:

7 **CPL Raymond Porter Korea bridge - State highway - Continuing appropriation.**

8 The department shall designate the bridge on state highway 6 between the junction of
9 county road one thirty-seven and the junction of fifty-third street as the CPL Raymond Porter
10 Korea bridge and shall place signs along the avenue designating that name. The department
11 may accept any appropriate signs or funds donated to the department for the placement of
12 signs. Any donated funds are appropriated to the department on a continuing basis for the
13 purpose of providing signs designating the bridge on state highway 6 as the CPL Raymond
14 Porter Korea bridge.

15 **SECTION 2. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
HB 1426**

Transportation Committee (Sen. Clemens, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS** ([25.1147.01001](#)) and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING). HB 1426 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar. This bill does not affect workforce development.