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## REPRESENTATIVE MIKE CHENAULT SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE

### SPONSOR STATEMENT

**COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE for HOUSE BILL 7 (TRA): “An Act naming the bridge over the Kaslof River on the Sterling Highway the Robert E. Bush, Jr., Memorial Bridge.”**

House Bill 7 was introduced at the request of the uncle of Robert Bush. Robert Bush passed away on July 12, 2007. He served with the United States Army and served his country in Operation Desert Storm. Upon his discharge he returned home and was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes. This disease eventually claimed his life.

His children drive over the Kaslof River daily and naming the bridge in Robert’s honor would remind his family and the public of his contribution to his community and his country.