# SENATE BILL REPORT SJM 8010

As Reported By Senate Committee On: Transportation, February 8, 2001

Brief Description: Requesting a memorial for Lieutenant J.G. Scott Walter Kinkele.

Sponsors: Senators Haugen and Roach.

### **Brief History:**

Committee Activity: Transportation: 2/5/01, 2/8/01 [DPS].

## SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

**Majority Report:** That Substitute Joint Memorial No. 8010 be substituted therefor, and the substitute joint memorial do pass.

Signed by Senators Haugen, Chair; Gardner, Vice Chair; Benton, Eide, Finkbeiner, Horn, Johnson, McAuliffe, McDonald, Oke, Prentice, T. Sheldon and Shin.

Staff: Dean Carlson (786-7305)

**Background:** On July 28, 2000, Lieutenant J.G. Scott Walter Kinkele was shot and killed while driving his car on Highway 20. Lieutenant Kinkele was a graduate of the Naval Academy at Annapolis and graduated at the top of his class at the aviation warfare school at NAS Whidbey.

**Summary of Substitute Bill:** The Department of Transportation is requested to erect a memorial to Lieutenant J.G. Kinkele at the location on Highway 20 where the lieutenant was killed.

**Substitute Bill Compared to Original Bill:** The original bill asks The Department of Transportation to erect a memorial at the location of the accident. The substitute asks the Department of Transportation to allow a memorial to be erected in the vicinity of the accident.

#### Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Not requested.

Effective Date: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

**Testimony For:** A memorial for Lieutenant J.G. Scott Walter Kinkele would serve as a reminder for all to be the best citizens we can be. It would be a great asset to the community to commemorate such a great man. A Marine unit is willing to provide the equipment and work necessary and the materials can probably be raised. It could be done with only engineering costs from the state. <u>Concerns</u>: A memorial at that sight is a safety concern for people stopping. There is an alternate site within a mile of the location.

# Testimony Against: None.

**Testified:** Senator Haugen, prime sponsor (pro); Lt. J.G. Shannon Callahan, United States Navy (pro); Jim Vannice, Sojourners' Association (pro); and Toby Rickman, State Traffic Engineer, DOT (concerns).