

CONCURRENCE IN SENATE AMENDMENTS

ACR 162 (Hadwick)

As Amended June 4, 2026

Majority vote

SUMMARY

Designates a specified portion of State Route 99 in the County of Butte as the Congressman Doug LaMalfa Memorial Highway. The measure would request that the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) determine the cost of appropriate signs showing this special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources sufficient to cover the cost, to erect those signs.

Senate Amendments

Change the author of the measure from Gallagher to Hadwick.

COMMENTS

Born on July 2, 1960, in Oroville, California, Douglas "Doug" LaMalfa was a lifelong resident of Northern California. A fourth-generation rice farmer and businessman from Richvale, he remained deeply connected to the land throughout his career. After graduating from Biggs High School in 1978, he earned a bachelor's degree in agricultural business from California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, in 1982.

Congressman LaMalfa's tenure in public service began in 2002 with his election to the California State Assembly. He subsequently served in the California State Senate before his election to the United States House of Representatives in 2012. From 2013 to 2026, he represented California's First Congressional District, establishing himself as a fierce advocate for Northern California's agriculture and natural resources-based economy.

Beyond his district, Congressman LaMalfa rose to national prominence as the unanimously elected Chairman of the Congressional Western Caucus. In this role, he led one of the largest membership organizations in Congress, prioritizing the needs of rural communities, family farms, and small businesses across the Western United States.

Known for his humility and authenticity, Congressman LaMalfa was a devoted husband to his wife, Jill, and a proud father and grandfather. He and Jill raised their four children—Kyle, Allison, Sophia, and Natalie—on their family farm in Richvale, instilling in them the values of hard work and community service.

Following his tragic passing on January 6, 2026, Congressman LaMalfa leaves behind a profound legacy of leadership and advocacy. This highway designation serves as a permanent tribute to his decades of service to the people of California and the United States.

According to the Author

"Congressman Doug LaMalfa was a great man, who loved his state and always sought to represent his district with the utmost dedication. He was a strong voice for Northern California, and always took the time to listen to his constituents. He was known for his solid principles, leading with kindness, gentleness, and humility. Congressman LaMalfa is loved and missed by many, and I am proud to acknowledge his life of service with this resolution."

Arguments in Support

The Shasta Regional Transportation Agency, supporters of the measure state: "From 2002 to 2026 Mr. LaMalfa represented cities, counties and regions across Northern California at both the state and federal level. He advocated for policies, programs and funding that supported rural values and priorities. This included building and maintaining a safe and efficient transportation system that supported freight and goods movement, including agriculture, transportation services for low-income families, seniors and veterans, active transportation, and various infrastructure investments. These efforts included protecting local state transportation dollars from being diverted by prior California legislators and support funding projects such as State Route 44 "Dana to Downtown"; Interstate 5 improvement projects including the Union Pacific Bridge Replacement, the North Redding Six-Lane, and most recently the Fix 5 Cascade Gateway; and ShastaConnect Sunday transit services for our rural communities."

Arguments in Opposition

None on file.

FISCAL COMMENTS

Unknown, but the measure requests that Caltrans determine the cost of appropriate signage consistent with requirements for the state highway system and only erect the appropriate signage upon receiving donations from non-state sources covering the cost.

VOTES:**ASM TRANSPORTATION: 15-0-1**

YES: Wilson, Davies, Aguiar-Curry, Ahrens, Carrillo, Harabedian, Hart, Hoover, Jackson, Lackey, Macedo, Papan, Ransom, Rogers, Sharp-Collins

ABS, ABST OR NV: Ávila Farías

ASSEMBLY FLOOR: 73-0-7

YES: Aguiar-Curry, Ahrens, Alanis, Alvarez, Arambula, Ávila Farías, Bains, Bennett, Berman, Boerner, Bonta, Bryan, Calderon, Caloza, Carrillo, Castillo, Chen, Connolly, Davies, DeMaio, Dixon, Elhawary, Ellis, Flora, Fong, Gabriel, Gallagher, Garcia, Gipson, Jeff Gonzalez, Mark González, Haney, Harabedian, Hart, Hoover, Irwin, Jackson, Johnson, Kalra, Krell, Lackey, Lee, Lowenthal, Macedo, McKinnor, Muratsuchi, Nguyen, Ortega, Pacheco, Papan, Patel, Patterson, Pellerin, Petrie-Norris, Quirk-Silva, Ramos, Ransom, Michelle Rodriguez, Rogers, Blanca Rubio, Sanchez, Schiavo, Schultz, Solache, Stefani, Ta, Tangipa, Valencia, Wallis, Ward, Wilson, Zbur, Rivas

ABS, ABST OR NV: Addis, Bauer-Kahan, Hadwick, Celeste Rodriguez, Sharp-Collins, Soria, Wicks

SENATE FLOOR: 32-0-8

YES: Allen, Archuleta, Arreguín, Ashby, Blakespear, Cabaldon, Caballero, Cervantes, Choi, Cortese, Dahle, Grayson, Grove, Hurtado, Jones, Laird, Limón, McGuire, McNerney, Menjivar, Niello, Ochoa Bogh, Padilla, Reyes, Richardson, Rubio, Seyarto, Stern, Strickland, Umberg, Valladares, Wahab

ABS, ABST OR NV: Alvarado-Gil, Becker, Durazo, Gonzalez, Pérez, Smallwood-Cuevas, Weber Pierson, Wiener

SENATE FLOOR: 36-0-4

YES: Allen, Archuleta, Arreguín, Ashby, Blakespear, Cabaldon, Caballero, Cervantes, Choi, Cortese, Dahle, Durazo, Gonzalez, Grayson, Grove, Hurtado, Jones, Laird, Limón, McGuire, McNerney, Menjivar, Niello, Ochoa Bogh, Padilla, Reyes, Richardson, Rubio, Seyarto, Smallwood-Cuevas, Stern, Strickland, Umberg, Valladares, Wahab, Wiener

ABS, ABST OR NV: Alvarado-Gil, Becker, Pérez, Weber Pierson

SENATE FLOOR: 31-0-9

YES: Allen, Archuleta, Arreguín, Ashby, Blakespear, Cabaldon, Caballero, Cervantes, Choi, Cortese, Dahle, Grayson, Grove, Hurtado, Jones, Laird, Limón, McGuire, McNerney, Niello, Ochoa Bogh, Padilla, Reyes, Richardson, Rubio, Seyarto, Stern, Strickland, Umberg, Valladares, Wahab

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