

No. 2004-142

AN ACT

HB 2599

Designating Exit 37 on Interstate Route 81 in Cumberland County, known as the Newville Interchange, as the 87th Infantry Division Patton's 3rd U.S. Army - WWII Memorial Interchange.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. 87th Infantry Division Patton's 3rd U.S. Army - WWII Memorial Interchange.

(a) Declaration of policy.—The General Assembly finds and declares as follows:

(1) The 87th Infantry Division left the United States on October 4, 1944, and fully arrived in England in November of that year. The division landed in France in early December of 1944 and embarked on its journey across France and through Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany before halting at the Czechoslovakian border as hostilities ended in May of 1945.

(2) The division, assigned to General George S. Patton's 3rd Army, served in campaigns in the Ardennes, the breakthrough of the Siegfried Line, the Kyll, the Mosselle, Koblenz, the Rhine, Plauen and the Mulde, distinguishing itself as an outstanding unit.

(3) The division became known as the "Liberators of Koblenz" after capturing that strategic city.

(b) Designation.—Exit 37 on Interstate Route 81 in Cumberland County, known as the Newville Interchange, is designated as the 87th Infantry Division Patton's 3rd U.S. Army - WWII Memorial Interchange.

(c) Signs.—The Department of Transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs to indicate the designation under subsection (b).

Section 2. Effective date.

This act shall take effect in 60 days.

APPROVED—The 23rd day of November, A.D. 2004.

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