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Road Named for Former Jefferson Co Legislator

(KAIR) -- A portion of a state highway in Jefferson County has been named for a former state legislator from McLouth.

Among the 17 bills signed into law Thursday by Governor Sam Brownback included House Bill 2269, which designates a portion of K-92, from the junction of K-92 and 94th Street in Jefferson County south to the northern boundary of McLouth, as the John Bower Memorial Highway.

Bower died last June at the age of 100.

Bower served as a State Representative for the 47th district in the Kansas Legislature, representing Jefferson County and surrounding communities for 24 years.

He was known as a leader in the fields of education, water resources, and human rights, and led the opposition to liquor and gambling in Kansas.

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