

1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to transportation; amending s.
3 334.044, F.S.; providing for the allocation of
4 a certain percentage of each project for
5 roadside beautification by the Department of
6 Transportation; amending s. 335.0415, F.S.;
7 modifying the date on which jurisdiction and
8 responsibility for public roads is determined;
9 providing an effective date.

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11 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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13 Section 1. Subsection (26) of section 334.044, Florida
14 Statutes, 1998 Supplement, is amended to read:15 334.044 Department; powers and duties.--The department
16 shall have the following general powers and duties:17 (26) To provide for the conservation of natural
18 roadside growth and scenery and for the implementation and
19 maintenance of roadside beautification programs. To accomplish
20 this, the department shall allocate to beautification no less
21 than 1 percent of the amount contracted for construction
22 projects. To the extent practical large plant materials
23 purchased from Florida-based nurserymen stock on a uniform
24 competitive-bid basis will be used. Up to 0.5 percent may be
25 used for small to medium plant material.To accomplish these
26 activities, the department may contract with nonprofit
27 organizations having the primary purpose of developing youth
28 employment opportunities.29 Section 2. Subsection (1) of section 335.0415, Florida
30 Statutes, is amended to read:

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1 335.0415 Public road jurisdiction and transfer
2 process.--

3 (1) The jurisdiction of public roads and the
4 responsibility for operation and maintenance within the
5 right-of-way of any road within the state, county, and
6 municipal road system shall be that which existed ~~exists~~ on
7 June 10 ~~July 1~~, 1995.

8 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 1999.

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