

HOUSE MESSAGE SUMMARY

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BILL: CS/CS/SB 926
SPONSOR: Government Efficiency Appropriations; Governmental Oversight and Productivity; and Senator Constantine
SUBJECT: Growth Management
PREPARED BY: Senate Committee on Community Affairs
DATE: May 3, 2005

I. Amendments Contained in Message:

House Amendment 1 – 551315 (body with title)

House Amendment 2 – 725521 (body)

House Amendment 3 – 889529 (body)

House Amendment 4 – 185701 (body with title)

II. Summary of Amendments Contained in Message:

House Amendment 1 provides new requirements for a charter county that wishes to avail itself of the exemption from the voluntary annexation provisions of s. 171.044(4), F.S. The bill requires such counties to “set forth verbatim” their exclusive method of expedited annexation. It exempts those municipalities in counties where expedited annexation procedures in the county charter were officially approved by a countywide planning council which represents local governments within the county prior to a referendum vote amending the charter to permit expedited annexation procedures to be established by county ordinance. This issue is not the substance of a bill that has been heard in the Senate.

House Amendment 2 requires a county that initiates the negotiation of an interlocal service boundary agreement to send a copy of the initiating resolution to the affected county sheriff.

House Amendment 3 requires a municipality that initiates the negotiation of an interlocal service boundary agreement to send a copy of the initiating resolution to the affected county sheriff.

House Amendment 4 establishes law concerning “viewing zones” for lawfully permitted outdoor advertising signs on the State Highway System and expressways and requires a governmental entity or other party violating the established view zone provisions to pay the sign’s owner a penalty equal to the lesser of lost revenue from the sign being blocked or the sign’s fair market value. It allows the owner of a lawfully erected outdoor advertising sign that is governed by and conforms to state and federal standards to increase the sign’s height if a noise wall that is permitted or erected by a governmental entity blocks or screens the sign. It also specifies that if a sign is reconstructed for this purpose, it must comply with the Florida Building Code standards and wind load requirements. Finally, it specifies that a local government shall issue a permit, if necessary, to reconstruct these signs and requires a local government that

refuses to issue such a permit to pay just compensation to the sign's owner. This amendment is the substance of Senate Bill 1850 which is in Judiciary Committee.