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18 utility owning or operating such facilities shall relocate such 19 facilities upon order of the department, and the state shall pay 20 the entire expense properly attributable to such relocation after 21 deducting therefrom any increase in the value of the new facility 22 and any salvage value derived from the old facility.

23 (b) When a joint agreement between the department and the utility is executed for utility improvement, relocation, or 24 25 removal work to be accomplished as part of a contract for 26 construction of a transportation facility, the department may 27 participate in those utility improvement, relocation, or removal costs that exceed the department's official estimate of the cost 28 29 of such work by more than 10 percent. The amount of such participation shall be limited to the difference between the 30 official estimate of all the work in the joint agreement plus 10 31 percent and the amount awarded for this work in the construction 32 33 contract for such work. The department may not participate in any 34 utility improvement, relocation, or removal costs that occur as a result of changes or additions during the course of the contract. 35

36 (c) When an agreement between the department and utility is 37 executed for utility improvement, relocation, or removal work to 38 be accomplished in advance of a contract for construction of a 39 transportation facility, the department may participate in the 40 cost of clearing and grubbing necessary to perform such work.

(d) If the utility facility being removed or relocated was initially installed to exclusively serve the department, its tenants, or both the department and its tenants, the department shall bear the costs of removal or relocation of that utility facility. The department shall not be responsible, however, for bearing the cost of removal or relocation of any subsequent additions to that facility for the purpose of serving others.



48	(e) If, pursuant to an agreement between a utility and the
49	authority entered into after the effective date of this
50	subsection, the utility conveys, subordinates, or relinquishes a
51	compensable property right to the authority for the purpose of
52	accommodating the acquisition or use of the right-of-way by the
53	authority, without the agreement expressly addressing future
54	responsibility for cost of removal or relocation of the utility,
55	then the authority shall bear the cost of such removal or
56	relocation. Nothing in this paragraph is intended to impair or
57	restrict, or be used to interpret, the terms of any such
58	agreement entered into prior to the effective date of this
59	paragraph.
60	(f) If the utility is an electric facility being relocated
61	underground in order to enhance vehicular, bicycle, and
62	pedestrian safety and in which ownership of the electric facility
63	to be placed underground has been transferred from a private to a
64	public utility within the past 5 years, the department shall
65	incur all costs of the relocation.
66	Section 33. Subsection (4), subsection (5) of section
67	337.408, Florida Statutes, are amended, subsection (7)is

68 renumbered as subsection (8), and a new subsection (7) is added 69 to that section, to read:

70 337.408 Regulation of benches, transit shelters, street 71 light poles, waste disposal receptacles, and modular news racks 72 within rights-of-way.--

(4) The department has the authority to direct the immediate relocation or removal of any bench, transit shelter, waste disposal receptacle, <u>public pay telephone</u>, or modular news rack which endangers life or property, except that transit bus benches which have been placed in service prior to April 1, 1992,

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78 are not required to comply with bench size and advertising 79 display size requirements which have been established by the department prior to March 1, 1992. Any transit bus bench that was 80 in service prior to April 1, 1992, may be replaced with a bus 81 bench of the same size or smaller, if the bench is damaged or 82 destroyed or otherwise becomes unusable. The department is 83 84 authorized to adopt rules relating to the regulation of bench 85 size and advertising display size requirements. If a municipality 86 or county within which a bench is to be located has adopted an 87 ordinance or other applicable regulation that establishes bench 88 size or advertising display sign requirements different from 89 requirements specified in department rule, the local government requirement shall be applicable within the respective 90 municipality or county. Placement of any bench or advertising 91 display on the National Highway System under a local ordinance or 92 93 regulation adopted pursuant to this subsection shall be subject 94 to approval of the Federal Highway Administration.

95 (5) No bench, transit shelter, waste disposal receptacle, 96 public pay telephone, or modular news rack, or advertising 97 thereon, shall be erected or so placed on the right-of-way of any road which conflicts with the requirements of federal law, 98 99 regulations, or safety standards, thereby causing the state or 100 any political subdivision the loss of federal funds. Competition among persons seeking to provide bench, transit shelter, waste 101 102 disposal receptacle, or modular news rack services or advertising 103 on such benches, shelters, receptacles, or news racks may be regulated, restricted, or denied by the appropriate local 104 105 government entity consistent with the provisions of this section. (7) Public pay telephones, including advertising displayed 106

107 thereon, may be installed within the right-of-way limits of any



108	municipal, county, or state road, except on a limited access
109	highway, provided that such pay telephones are installed by a
110	provider duly authorized and regulated by the Public Service
111	Commission pursuant to s. 364.3375, that such pay telephones are
112	operated in accordance with all applicable state and federal
113	telecommunications regulations, and that written authorization
114	has been given to a public pay telephone provider by the
115	appropriate municipal or county government. Each advertisement
116	shall be limited to a size no greater than 8 square feet and no
117	public pay telephone booth shall display more than 3 such
118	advertisements at any given time. No advertisements shall be
119	allowed on public pay telephones located in rest areas, welcome
120	centers, and other such facilities located on an interstate
121	highway.
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124	And the title is amended as follows:
125	Delete line 2898
126	and insert:
127	road or rail corridor; amending s. 337.408, F.S.;
128	providing for public pay telephones and advertising
129	thereon to be installed within the right-of-way limits of
130	any municipal, county, or state road; amending s. 338.01,
131	F.S.; requiring
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