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Representative Mayfield offered the following:

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Remove lines 1444-1486 and insert:

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section as the "utility." For aerial and underground electric utility transmission lines designed to operate at 69 or more kilovolts that are needed to accommodate the additional electrical transfer capacity on the transmission grid resulting from new base-load generating facilities, where there is no other practicable alternative available for placement of the electric utility transmission lines on the department's rights-of-way, the department's rules shall provide for placement of and access to such transmission lines adjacent to and within the right-of-way of any department-controlled public roads, including longitudinally within limited access facilities to the 457969

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17 greatest extent allowed by federal law, if compliance with the standards established by such rules is achieved. Such rules may 18 include, but need not be limited to, that the use of the right-19 of-way is reasonable based upon a consideration of economic and 20 environmental factors, including, without limitation, other 21 22 practicable alternative alignments, utility corridors and 23 easements, and minimum clear zones and other safety standards, and further provide that placement of the electric utility 24 transmission lines within the department's right-of-way does not 25 26 interfere with operational requirements of the transportation 27 facility or planned or potential future expansion of such transportation facility. If the department approves longitudinal 28 29 placement of electric utility transmission lines in limited access facilities, compensation for the use of the right-of-way 30 is required. Such consideration or compensation paid by the 31 electric utility in connection with the department's issuance of 32 a permit does not create any property right in the department's 33 property regardless of the amount of consideration paid or the 34 improvements constructed on the property by the utility. Upon 35 36 notice by the department that the property is needed for 37 expansion or improvement of the transportation facility, the 38 electric utility transmission line will relocate from the 39 facility at the electric utility's sole expense. The electric 40 utility shall pay to the department reasonable damages resulting from the utility's failure or refusal to timely relocate its 41 transmission lines. The rules to be adopted by the department 42 may also address the compensation methodology and relocation. As 43 used in this subsection, the term "base-load generating 44 457969

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45 facilities" means electric power plants that are certified under

part II of chapter 403. The department may enter into a