



LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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Senator Baker moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 582 and 583
insert:

Section 7. Subsection (26) of section 334.044, Florida
Statutes, is amended to read:

334.044 Department; powers and duties.—The department shall
have the following general powers and duties:

(26) To provide for the enhancement of environmental
benefits, including air and water quality, to prevent roadside
erosion, to conserve the natural roadside growth and scenery,
and for the implementation and maintenance of roadside



13 ~~conservation, enhancement, stabilization programs. of natural~~
14 ~~roadside growth and scenery and for the implementation and~~
15 ~~maintenance of roadside beautification programs, and No less~~
16 ~~than 1.5 percent of the amount contracted for construction~~
17 ~~projects shall be allocated by the department to the purchase of~~
18 ~~plant material and to the greatest beautification programs.~~
19 ~~Except where prohibited by federal law or federal regulation and~~
20 ~~to the extent practical, a minimum of 50 percent of these funds~~
21 ~~shall be used to purchase large plant materials with the~~
22 ~~remaining funds for other plant materials. All such plant~~
23 ~~materials shall be purchased from Florida commercial nursery~~
24 ~~Florida-based nurseryman stock on a uniform competitive bid~~
25 ~~basis. The department will develop grades and standards for~~
26 ~~landscaping materials purchased through this process. To~~
27 ~~accomplish these activities, the department may contract with~~
28 ~~nonprofit organizations having the primary purpose of developing~~
29 ~~youth employment opportunities.~~

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31 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

32 And the title is amended as follows:

33 Delete line 36

34 and insert:

35 dissolution of an authority; amending s. 334.044, F.S.;

36 requiring the Department of Transportation to enhance certain

37 environmental benefits and use certain funds to purchase large

38 plant material to the greatest extent practical; amending s.

39 337.11, F.S.;