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Senator Baker moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 446 and 447

insert:

Section 9. 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 ~~conservation of~~ natural roadside growth and scenery and for the implementation and maintenance of



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

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

30 And the title is amended as follows:

31 Delete line 48

32 and insert:

33 functional at all times; amending s. 334.044, F.S.;

34 revising the powers and duties of the Department of

35 Transportation; amending s. 339.62, F.S.;