

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

Comm: WD 03/17/2010

The Committee on Governmental Oversight and Accountability (Siplin) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert:

Section 1. Section 283.58, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

283.58 Agency agreements with vendors for private publication of public information materials; free distribution to public.-

(1) An agency may enter into agreements to secure the private publication of public information brochures, pamphlets,

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audiotapes, videotapes, and related materials for distribution without charge to the public and, in furtherance thereof, is authorized to:

- (a) Enter into agreements with private vendors for the publication or production of such public information materials, under by which the costs of publication or production will be borne in whole or in part by the vendor or the vendor agrees to provide additional compensation in return for the right of the vendor to select, sell, and place advertising that publicizes products or services related to and harmonious with the subject matter of the publication or that includes a safety message related to the subject matter of the publication.
- (b) Retain the right, by agreement, to approve all elements of any advertising placed in such public information materials, including the form and content thereof. However, an agency's approval of any advertising may not be unreasonably withheld and it may not prohibit advertising by a person or entity because that person or entity is regulated by the agency.
- (2) Any public information materials produced pursuant to this section and containing advertising of any kind must include a statement providing that the inclusion of advertising in such material does not constitute an endorsement by the state or the agency of the products or services so advertised.
- (3) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of chapter 287 to the contrary, if an agency entered into an agreement pursuant to this section with a sponsor under which no payment has been made by the state and the state realizes cost savings due to the sponsor funding the costs of publication and distribution under the terms of the agreement in an amount of at least \$1.5 million

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as supported by sponsor records and expiring on or after June 30, 2010, but before January 1, 2011, the agency shall enter into a new agreement with the same party to the expiring agreement, upon substantially the same terms and conditions, but with a term beginning on July 1, 2010, or the day following expiration of the contract, whichever is later. A payment may not be made by the state under the new agreement and the new agreement shall result in cost savings to the state.

- (b) The agency is not relieved of its obligation to enter into the new agreement described in paragraph (a) unless all of the following conditions exist:
- 1. The agreement has been terminated before the date of expiration by a material and substantial breach by the private vendor;
- 2. The private vendor has been declared in default pursuant to rule 60A-1.006, Florida Administrative Code; and
- 3. All administrative and appellate remedies of the private vendor have been exhausted or waived.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

======== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========= And the title is amended as follows:

Delete everything before the enacting clause and insert:

> A bill to be entitled An act relating to public printing; amending s. 283.58, F.S.; providing that an agency may enter into an agreement with a private vendor for the private

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publication of public information materials under which the costs of publication will be borne in whole or in part by the vendor in return for the right of the vendor to include in the publication a safety message related to the subject matter of the publication; prohibiting an agency from unreasonably withholding approval of the form and content of the advertisement and prohibiting the agency from rejecting advertising from a person or entity because that person or entity is regulated by the agency; requiring an agency to enter into a new agreement with the same party to an expiring agreement upon substantially the same terms and conditions as the expiring agreement under certain conditions; specifying the conditions under which an agency is relieved of its obligation to renew an agreement; providing an effective date.