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A bill to be entitled 1 2 An act relating to the Department of Transportation; 3 amending s. 316.3025, F.S.; providing a civil penalty for 4 violation of specified federal requirements relating to a 5 driver's physical qualification to drive a commercial 6 motor vehicle; amending s. 334.03, F.S.; revising 7 definitions for purposes of the Florida Transportation 8 Code; amending s. 334.044, F.S.; revising the powers and 9 duties of the department relating to jurisdictional 10 responsibility and designating facilities; amending s. 11 334.047, F.S.; repealing a provision prohibiting the department from establishing a maximum number of miles of 12 urban principal arterial roads within a district or 13 14 county; amending s. 337.111, F.S.; providing additional 15 forms of security for the cost of removal of monuments or 16 memorials or modifications to an installation site at highway rest areas; removing a provision requiring renewal 17 of a bond; amending s. 337.408, F.S.; revising provisions 18 19 for certain facilities installed within the right-of-way limits of roads; requiring counties and municipalities to 20 21 review installations of benches and transit shelters; 22 providing for removal or relocation of a bench or transit 23 shelter that is not in compliance with applicable 24 regulations; requiring counties and municipalities to 25 indemnify the department from certain claims relating to 26 the installation, removal, or relocation of a noncompliant 27 bench or shelter; authorizing the department to direct a 28 county or municipality to remove or relocate a bus stop,

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bench, transit shelter, waste disposal receptacle, public pay telephone, or modular news rack that is not in compliance with applicable laws or rules; directing the department to remove or relocate such installation and charge the cost to the county or municipality; authorizing the department to deduct the cost from funding available to the municipality or county from the department; removing a provision for the replacement of an unusable transit bus bench that was in service before a certain date; revising the title of chapter 338, F.S.; repealing s. 338.001, F.S., relating to provisions for the Florida Intrastate Highway System Plan; amending s. 338.01, F.S.; including authority of the department in provisions for the establishment limited access facilities; amending s. 339.155, F.S.; revising provisions for statewide transportation planning by the department; providing for federally required transportation planning factors; revising provisions for the Florida Transportation Plan; removing certain reporting requirements; revising requirements for public participation in the planning process; amending s. 339.63, F.S.; providing for inclusion of certain access facilities in the Strategic Intermodal System and the Emerging Strategic Intermodal System; amending s. 339.64, F.S.; revising provisions for development of the Strategic Intermodal System Plan; removing the Statewide Intermodal Transportation Advisory Council; creating s. 339.65, F.S.; providing for the department to plan and develop Strategic Intermodal System Page 2 of 53

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57 highway corridors; providing for allocations of funds on a 58 specified basis; providing for corridor projects to be 59 included in the department's adopted work program and 60 changes to be a separate part of the tentative work program; amending ss. 163.3180, 288.063, 311.07, 311.09, 61 316.2122, 336.01, 338.222, 338.223, 338.2275, 338.228, 62 63 339.2819, 339.285, 341.8225, 479.01, 479.07, and 479.261, 64 F.S., relating to transportation concurrency, contracts, 65 port facilities, Florida Seaport Transportation and 66 Economic Development Council, low-speed vehicles and mini 67 trucks, the county road system, turnpike projects, revenue bonds, Transportation Regional Incentive Program, Enhanced 68 69 Bridge Program for Sustainable Transportation, high-speed 70 rail projects, outdoor advertising, sign permits, and the 71 Logo sign program, respectively; revising cross-72 references; amending ss. 163.3187, 318.12, 335.02, 73 338.227, 338.234, 339.62, 341.053, and 403.7211, F.S., 74 relating to comprehensive plans, traffic infractions, standards for lanes, services related to the financing of 75 76 projects, concessions along the turnpike, components of 77 the Strategic Intermodal System, Intermodal Development 78 Program, and hazardous waste facilities, respectively; 79 revising references to conform to the incorporation of the 80 Florida Intrastate Highway System into the Strategic 81 Intermodal System and to changes made by the act; providing an effective date. 82 83 84 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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86	Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section			
87	316.3025, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:			
88	316.3025 Penalties			
89	(3)			
90	(b) A civil penalty of \$100 may be assessed for:			
91	1. Each violation of the North American Uniform Driver			
92	Out-of-Service Criteria;			
93	2. A violation of s. 316.302(2)(b) or (c);			
94	3. A violation of 49 C.F.R. s. 392.60; or			
95	4. A violation of 49 C.F.R. ss. 391.41 or 391.43; or			
96	5.4. A violation of the North American Standard Vehicle			
97	Out-of-Service Criteria resulting from an inspection of a			
98	commercial motor vehicle involved in a crash.			
99	Section 2. Section 334.03, Florida Statutes, is amended to			
100	read:			
101	334.03 DefinitionsWhen used in the Florida			
102	Transportation Code, the term:			
103	(1)(37) "511" or "511 services" means three-digit			
104	telecommunications dialing to access interactive voice response			
105	telephone traveler information services provided in the state as			
106	defined by the Federal Communications Commission in FCC Order			
107	No. 00-256, July 31, 2000.			
108	(1) "Arterial road" means a route providing service which			
109	is relatively continuous and of relatively high traffic volume,			
110	long average trip length, high operating speed, and high			
111	mobility importance. In addition, every United States numbered			
112	highway is an arterial road.			
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113 (2)(2) "Bridge" means a structure, including supports, 114 erected over a depression or an obstruction, such as water or a 115 highway or railway, and having a track or passageway for 116 carrying traffic as defined in chapter 316 or other moving 117 loads.

"City street system" means all local roads within a 118 (3) 119 municipality that were under the jurisdiction of that municipality on June 10, 1995; roads constructed by a 120 121 municipality for that municipality's street system; roads completely within an area annexed by the municipality, unless 122 123 otherwise provided by mutual consent; and roads transferred to 124 the municipality's jurisdiction after June 10, 1995, by mutual 125 consent with another governmental entity, but not roads so 126 transferred from the municipality's jurisdiction, and all 127 collector roads inside that municipality, which are not in the 128 county road system.

129 (4) "Collector road" means a route providing service which 130 is of relatively moderate average traffic volume, moderately 131 average trip length, and moderately average operating speed. 132 Such a route also collects and distributes traffic between local 133 roads or arterial roads and serves as a linkage between land 134 access and mobility needs.

135 <u>(4) (5)</u> "Commissioners" means the governing body of a 136 county.

137 <u>(5)(6)</u> "Consolidated metropolitan statistical area" means 138 two or more metropolitan statistical areas that are socially and 139 economically interrelated as defined by the United States Bureau 140 of the Census.

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141 (6) (7) "Controlled access facility" means a street or 142 highway to which the right of access is highly regulated by the governmental entity having jurisdiction over the facility in 143 order to maximize the operational efficiency and safety of the 144 145 high-volume through traffic utilizing the facility. Owners or 146 occupants of abutting lands and other persons have a right of 147 access to or from such facility at such points only and in such 148 manner as may be determined by the governmental entity.

149 (7) (8) "County road system" means all roads within a 150 county that were under the jurisdiction of that county on June 151 10, 1995; roads constructed by a county for that county's road 152 system; and roads transferred to the county's jurisdiction after 153 June 10, 1995, by mutual consent with another governmental 154 entity, but, except as otherwise provided by mutual consent, not 155 roads transferred from the county's jurisdiction by mutual 156 consent or roads that are completely within an area annexed by a 157 municipality collector roads in the unincorporated areas of a 158 county and all extensions of such collector roads into and 159 through any incorporated areas, all local roads in the 160 unincorporated areas, and all urban minor arterial roads not in 161 the State Highway System.

162 <u>(8) (9)</u> "Department" means the Department of 163 Transportation.

164 (10) "Florida Intrastate Highway System" means a system of 165 limited access and controlled access facilities on the State 166 Highway System which have the capacity to provide high-speed and 167 high-volume traffic movements in an efficient and safe manner. 168 (9)(11) "Functional classification" means the assignment Page 6 of 53

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of roads into systems according to the character of service they provide in relation to the total road network using procedures developed by the Federal Highway Administration. Basic functional categories include arterial roads, collector roads, and local roads which may be subdivided into principal, major, or minor levels. Those levels may be additionally divided into rural and urban categories.

176 (10) (12) "Governmental entity" means a unit of government, 177 or any officially designated public agency or authority of a 178 unit of government, that has the responsibility for planning, construction, operation, or maintenance or jurisdiction over 179 180 transportation facilities; the term includes the Federal 181 Government, the state government, a county, an incorporated 182 municipality, a metropolitan planning organization, an 183 expressway or transportation authority, a road and bridge 184 district, a special road and bridge district, and a regional 185 governmental unit.

186 <u>(11)(38)</u> "Interactive voice response" means a software 187 application that accepts a combination of voice telephone input 188 and touch-tone keypad selection and provides appropriate 189 responses in the form of voice, fax, callback, e-mail, and other 190 media.

191 <u>(12)(13)</u> "Limited access facility" means a street or 192 highway especially designed for through traffic, and over, from, 193 or to which owners or occupants of abutting land or other 194 persons have no right or easement of access, light, air, or view 195 by reason of the fact that their property abuts upon such 196 limited access facility or for any other reason. Such highways

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197 or streets may be facilities from which trucks, buses, and other 198 commercial vehicles are excluded; or they may be facilities open 199 to use by all customary forms of street and highway traffic.

200 (13) (14) "Local governmental entity" means a unit of 201 government with less than statewide jurisdiction, or any 202 officially designated public agency or authority of such a unit 203 of government, that has the responsibility for planning, 204 construction, operation, or maintenance of, or jurisdiction 205 over, a transportation facility; the term includes, but is not 206 limited to, a county, an incorporated municipality, a 207 metropolitan planning organization, an expressway or transportation authority, a road and bridge district, a special 208 209 road and bridge district, and a regional governmental unit.

210 (15) "Local road" means a route providing service which is 211 of relatively low average traffic volume, short average trip 212 length or minimal through-traffic movements, and high land 213 access for abutting property.

214 (14) (16) "Metropolitan area" means a geographic region 215 comprising as a minimum the existing urbanized area and the 216 contiguous area projected to become urbanized within a 20-year 217 forecast period. The boundaries of a metropolitan area may be 218 designated so as to encompass a metropolitan statistical area or 219 a consolidated metropolitan statistical area. If a metropolitan area, or any part thereof, is located within a nonattainment 220 221 area, the boundaries of the metropolitan area must be designated so as to include the boundaries of the entire nonattainment 222 area, unless otherwise provided by agreement between the 223 applicable metropolitan planning organization and the Governor. 224

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(15) (17) "Metropolitan statistical area" means an area that includes a municipality of 50,000 persons or more, or an urbanized area of at least 50,000 persons as defined by the United States Bureau of the Census, provided that the component county or counties have a total population of at least 100,000.

230 <u>(16) (18)</u> "Nonattainment area" means an area designated by 231 the United States Environmental Protection Agency, pursuant to 232 federal law, as exceeding national primary or secondary ambient 233 air quality standards for the pollutants carbon monoxide or 234 ozone.

235 <u>(17) (19)</u> "Periodic maintenance" means activities that are 236 large in scope and require a major work effort to restore 237 deteriorated components of the transportation system to a safe 238 and serviceable condition, including, but not limited to, the 239 repair of large bridge structures, major repairs to bridges and 240 bridge systems, and the mineral sealing of lengthy sections of 241 roadway.

242 <u>(18)(20)</u> "Person" means any person described in s. 1.01 or 243 any unit of government in or outside the state.

244 <u>(19) (21)</u> "Right of access" means the right of ingress to a 245 highway from abutting land and egress from a highway to abutting 246 land.

247 <u>(20)(22)</u> "Right-of-way" means land in which the state, the 248 department, a county, or a municipality owns the fee or has an 249 easement devoted to or required for use as a transportation 250 facility.

251 <u>(21) (23)</u> "Road" means a way open to travel by the public, 252 including, but not limited to, a street, highway, or alley. The

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term includes associated sidewalks, the roadbed, the right-ofway, and all culverts, drains, sluices, ditches, water storage areas, waterways, embankments, slopes, retaining walls, bridges, tunnels, and viaducts necessary for the maintenance of travel and all ferries used in connection therewith.

258 <u>(22)(24)</u> "Routine maintenance" means minor repairs and 259 associated tasks necessary to maintain a safe and efficient 260 transportation system. The term includes: pavement patching; 261 shoulder repair; cleaning and repair of drainage ditches, 262 traffic signs, and structures; mowing; bridge inspection and 263 maintenance; pavement striping; litter cleanup; and other 264 similar activities.

265 (23)(25) "State Highway System" means the following, which 266 shall be facilities to which access is regulated:

267 (a) the interstate system and all other roads within the 268 state which were under the jurisdiction of the state on June 10, 1995, and roads constructed by an agency of the state for the 269 270 State Highway System, and roads transferred to the state's 271 jurisdiction after that date by mutual consent with another 272 governmental entity, but not roads so transferred from the 273 state's jurisdiction. Such facilities shall be facilities to 274 which access is regulated.+

275 (b) All rural arterial routes and their extensions into 276 and through urban areas;

277 (c) All urban principal arterial routes; and

278 (d) The urban minor arterial mileage on the existing State
279 Highway System as of July 1, 1987, plus additional mileage to
280 comply with the 2-percent requirement as described below.
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281 282 However, not less than 2 percent of the public road mileage of 283 each urbanized area on record as of June 30, 1986, shall be 284 included as minor arterials in the State Highway System. 285 Urbanized areas not meeting the foregoing minimum requirement 286 shall have transferred to the State Highway System additional 287 minor arterials of the highest significance in which case the 288 total minor arterials in the State Highway System from any 289 urbanized area shall not exceed 2.5 percent of that area's total 290 public urban road mileage. 291 (24) (26) "State Park Road System" means roads embraced 292 within the boundaries of state parks and state roads leading to 293 state parks, other than roads of the State Highway System, the county road systems, or the city street systems. 294 295 (25) (27) "State road" means a street, road, highway, or 296 other way open to travel by the public generally and dedicated 297 to the public use according to law or by prescription and 298 designated by the department, as provided by law, as part of the 299 State Highway System. 300 (26) (28) "Structure" means a bridge, viaduct, tunnel, 301 causeway, approach, ferry slip, culvert, toll plaza, gate, or 302 other similar facility used in connection with a transportation 303 facility. 304 (27) (29) "Sufficiency rating" means the objective rating of a road or section of a road for the purpose of determining 305 306 its capability to serve properly the actual or anticipated 307 volume of traffic using the road. 308 (28) (30) "Transportation corridor" means any land area Page 11 of 53

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designated by the state, a county, or a municipality which is between two geographic points and which area is used or suitable for the movement of people and goods by one or more modes of transportation, including areas necessary for management of access and securing applicable approvals and permits. Transportation corridors shall contain, but are not limited to, the following:

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(a) Existing publicly owned rights-of-way;

317 (b) All property or property interests necessary for future transportation facilities, including rights of access, 318 319 air, view, and light, whether public or private, for the purpose of securing and utilizing future transportation rights-of-way, 320 including, but not limited to, any lands reasonably necessary 321 322 now or in the future for securing applicable approvals and 323 permits, borrow pits, drainage ditches, water retention areas, 324 rest areas, replacement access for landowners whose access could 325 be impaired due to the construction of a future facility, and 326 replacement rights-of-way for relocation of rail and utility 327 facilities.

328 (29)(31) "Transportation facility" means any means for the 329 transportation of people or property from place to place which 330 is constructed, operated, or maintained in whole or in part from 331 public funds. The term includes the property or property rights, 332 both real and personal, which have been or may be established by 333 public bodies for the transportation of people or property from 334 place to place.

335 (30) (32) "Urban area" means a geographic region comprising
 336 as a minimum the area inside the United States Bureau of the

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337 Census boundary of an urban place with a population of 5,000 or 338 more persons, expanded to include adjacent developed areas as 339 provided for by Federal Highway Administration regulations.

340 (33) "Urban minor arterial road" means a route that 341 generally interconnects with and augments an urban principal 342 arterial road and provides service to trips of shorter length 343 and a lower level of travel mobility. The term includes all 344 arterials not classified as "principal" and contain facilities 345 that place more emphasis on land access than the higher system.

346 <u>(31) (34)</u> "Urban place" means a geographic region composed 347 of one or more contiguous census tracts that have been found by 348 the United States Bureau of the Census to contain a population 349 density of at least 1,000 persons per square mile.

350 (35) "Urban principal arterial road" means a route that 351 generally serves the major centers of activity of an urban area, 352 the highest traffic volume corridors, and the longest trip 353 purpose and carries a high proportion of the total urban area 354 travel on a minimum of mileage. Such roads are integrated, both 355 internally and between major rural connections.

356 (32) (36) "Urbanized area" means a geographic region 357 comprising as a minimum the area inside an urban place of 50,000 358 or more persons, as designated by the United States Bureau of 359 the Census, expanded to include adjacent developed areas as provided for by Federal Highway Administration regulations. 360 Urban areas with a population of fewer than 50,000 persons which 361 are located within the expanded boundary of an urbanized area 362 363 are not separately recognized.

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364 Section 3. Subsections (11) and (13) of section 334.044, 365 Florida Statutes, are amended to read: 366 334.044 Department; powers and duties.-The department 367 shall have the following general powers and duties: 368 To establish a numbering system for public roads τ and (11)369 to functionally classify such roads, and to assign 370 jurisdictional responsibility. 371 To designate existing and to plan proposed (13)372 transportation facilities as part of the State Highway System, 373 and to construct, maintain, and operate such facilities. 374 Section 4. Section 334.047, Florida Statutes, is amended 375 to read: 376 334.047 Prohibition.-Notwithstanding any other provision 377 of law to the contrary, the Department of Transportation may not 378 establish a cap on the number of miles in the State Highway 379 System or a maximum number of miles of urban principal arterial 380 roads, as defined in s. 334.03, within a district or county. 381 Section 5. Subsection (4) of section 337.111, Florida 382 Statutes, is amended to read: 383 337.111 Contracting for monuments and memorials to 384 military veterans at rest areas.-The Department of 385 Transportation is authorized to enter into contract with any 386 not-for-profit group or organization that has been operating for 387 not less than 2 years for the installation of monuments and memorials honoring Florida's military veterans at highway rest 388 389 areas around the state pursuant to the provisions of this 390 section. 391 The group or organization making the proposal shall (4) Page 14 of 53

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392 provide a 10-year bond, an annual renewable bond, an irrevocable 393 letter of credit, or other form of security as approved by the 394 department's comptroller, for the purpose of securing the cost 395 of removal of the monument and any modifications made to the 396 site as part of the placement of the monument should the 397 Department of Transportation determine it necessary to remove or 398 relocate the monument. Such removal or relocation shall be 399 approved by the committee described in subsection (1). Prior to 400 expiration, the bond shall be renewed for another 10-year period 401 if the memorial is to remain in place.

402 Section 6. Subsections (1) and (4) of section 337.408, 403 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

337.408 Regulation of <u>bus stops</u>, benches, transit
shelters, street light poles, waste disposal receptacles, and
modular news racks within rights-of-way.-

407 (1)Benches or transit shelters, including advertising 408 displayed on benches or transit shelters, may be installed 409 within the right-of-way limits of any municipal, county, or 410 state road, except a limited access highway, provided that such benches or transit shelters are for the comfort or convenience 411 412 of the general public or are at designated stops on official bus 413 routes and provided that written authorization has been given to 414 a qualified private supplier of such service by the municipal government within whose incorporated limits such benches or 415 transit shelters are installed or by the county government 416 417 within whose unincorporated limits such benches or transit 418 shelters are installed. A municipality or county may authorize 419 the installation, without public bid, of benches and transit

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420 shelters together with advertising displayed thereon within the 421 right-of-way limits of such roads. Such installations shall be 422 in compliance with all applicable laws and rules including, 423 without limitation, the Americans with Disabilities Act. By July 424 1, 2012, municipalities and counties shall conduct a review of 425 all installations within their respective jurisdictions and 426 relocate or remove, cause to be relocated or removed, or bring 427 into compliance any installation not in compliance with all 428 applicable laws and rules. Municipalities or counties shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the department from any 429 430 suits, actions, proceedings, claims, losses, costs, charges, 431 expenses, damages, liabilities, attorney fees, and court costs 432 relating to the installation, removal, or relocation. Any 433 contract for the installation of benches or transit shelters or advertising on benches or transit shelters which was entered 434 435 into before April 8, 1992, without public bidding is ratified 436 and affirmed. Such benches or transit shelters may not interfere 437 with right-of-way preservation and maintenance. Any bench or 438 transit shelter located on a sidewalk within the right-of-way 439 limits of any road on the State Highway System or the county 440 road system shall be located so as to leave at least 36 inches 441 of clearance for pedestrians and persons in wheelchairs. Such 442 clearance shall be measured in a direction perpendicular to the 443 centerline of the road.

(4) The department has the authority to direct the
immediate relocation or removal of any <u>bus stop</u>, bench, transit
shelter, waste disposal receptacle, public pay telephone, or
modular news rack that endangers life or property, <u>or that is</u>

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448	otherwise not in compliance with applicable laws and rules,
449	except that transit bus benches that were placed in service
450	before April 1, 1992, are not required to comply with bench size
451	and advertising display size requirements established by the
452	department before March 1, 1992. If a municipality or county
453	fails to comply with the department's direction, the department
454	shall remove the noncompliant installation, charge the cost of
455	the removal to the municipality or county, and may deduct or
456	offset such cost from any other funding available to the
457	municipality or county from the department. Any transit bus
458	bench that was in service before April 1, 1992, may be replaced
459	with a bus bench of the same size or smaller, if the bench is
460	damaged or destroyed or otherwise becomes unusable. The
461	department may adopt rules relating to the regulation of bench
462	size and advertising display size requirements. If a
463	municipality or county within which a bench is to be located has
464	adopted an ordinance or other applicable regulation that
465	establishes bench size or advertising display sign requirements
466	different from requirements specified in department rule, the
467	local government requirement applies within the respective
468	municipality or county. Placement of any bench or advertising
469	display on the National Highway System under a local ordinance
470	or regulation adopted under this subsection is subject to
471	approval of the Federal Highway Administration.
472	Section 7. Chapter 338, Florida Statutes, is retitled
473	"LIMITED ACCESS AND TOLL FACILITIES."
474	Section 8. Section 338.001, Florida Statutes, is repealed.
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475 Section 9. Subsections (1) through (6) of section 338.01, 476 Florida Statutes, are renumbered as subsections (2) through (7), 477 respectively, and a new subsection (1) is added to that section 478 to read:

479 338.01 Authority to establish and regulate limited access480 facilities.-

(1) The department is authorized to establish limited access facilities as provided in s. 335.02. The primary function of such limited access facilities is to allow high-speed and high-volume traffic movements within the state. Access to abutting land is subordinate to this function, and such access must be prohibited or highly regulated.

487 Section 10. Section 339.155, Florida Statutes, is amended 488 to read:

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339.155 Transportation planning.-

490 (1)THE FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION PLAN.-The department shall 491 develop and annually update a statewide transportation plan, to 492 be known as the Florida Transportation Plan. The plan shall be 493 designed so as to be easily read and understood by the general 494 public. The purpose of the Florida Transportation Plan is to 495 establish and define the state's long-range transportation goals 496 and objectives to be accomplished over a period of at least 20 497 years within the context of the State Comprehensive Plan, and 498 any other statutory mandates and authorizations and based upon 499 the prevailing principles of: preserving the existing 500 transportation infrastructure; enhancing Florida's economic 501 competitiveness; and improving travel choices to ensure 502 mobility. The Florida Transportation Plan shall consider the

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503 needs of the entire state transportation system and examine the 504 use of all modes of transportation to effectively and 505 efficiently meet such needs. 506 SCOPE OF PLANNING PROCESS.-The department shall carry (2) 507 out a transportation planning process in conformance with s. 334.046(1) and 23 U.S.C. s. 135. which provides for 508 509 consideration of projects and strategies that will: 510 (a) Support the economic vitality of the United States, 511 Florida, and the metropolitan areas, especially by enabling 512 global competitiveness, productivity, and efficiency; 513 (b) Increase the safety and security of the transportation 514 system for motorized and nonmotorized users; 515 (c) Increase the accessibility and mobility options 516 available to people and for freight; 517 (d) Protect and enhance the environment, promote energy 518 conservation, and improve quality of life; 519 (e) Enhance the integration and connectivity of the 520 transportation system, across and between modes throughout 521 Florida, for people and freight; 522 (f) Promote efficient system management and operation; and 523 (g) Emphasize the preservation of the existing 524 transportation system. 525 FORMAT, SCHEDULE, AND REVIEW.-The Florida (3) Transportation Plan shall be a unified, concise planning 526 527 document that clearly defines the state's long-range transportation goals and objectives and documents the 528 529 department's short-range objectives developed to further such 530 goals and objectives. The plan shall: Page 19 of 53

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531 Include a glossary that clearly and succinctly defines (a) 532 any and all phrases, words, or terms of art included in the 533 plan, with which the general public may be unfamiliar. and shall 534 consist of, at a minimum, the following components: 535 (b) (a) Document A long-range component documenting the 536 goals and long-term objectives necessary to implement the 537 results of the department consistent with department's findings from its examination of the criteria listed in subsection (2) 538 539 and s. 334.046(1) and 23 U.S.C. s. 135. The long-range component 540 must (C) 541 Be developed in cooperation with the metropolitan 542 planning organizations and reconciled, to the maximum extent 543 feasible, with the long-range plans developed by metropolitan 544 planning organizations pursuant to s. 339.175. The plan must 545 also 546 (d) Be developed in consultation with affected local officials in nonmetropolitan areas and with any affected Indian 547 548 tribal governments. The plan must 549 Provide an examination of transportation issues likely (e) 550 to arise during at least a 20-year period. The long-range 551 component shall 552 Be updated at least once every 5 years, or more often (f) 553 as necessary, to reflect substantive changes to federal or state 554 law. 555 (b) A short-range component documenting the short-term 556 objectives and strategies necessary to implement the goals and 557 long-term objectives contained in the long-range component. The 558 short-range component must define the relationship between the Page 20 of 53

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559 long-range goals and the short-range objectives, specify those 560 objectives against which the department's achievement of such 561 goals will be measured, and identify transportation strategies 562 necessary to efficiently achieve the goals and objectives in the 563 plan. It must provide a policy framework within which the 564 department's legislative budget request, the strategic 565 information resource management plan, and the work program are 566 developed. The short-range component shall serve as the 567 department's annual agency strategic plan pursuant to s. 568 186.021. The short-range component shall be developed consistent with available and forecasted state and federal funds. The 569 570 short-range component shall also be submitted to the Florida 571 Transportation Commission. 572 (4) ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT.-The department shall 573 develop an annual performance report evaluating the operation of 574 the department for the preceding fiscal year. The report shall 575 also include a summary of the financial operations of the 576 department and shall annually evaluate how well the adopted work 577 program meets the short-term objectives contained in the short-578 range component of the Florida Transportation Plan. This 579 performance report shall be submitted to the Florida 580 Transportation Commission and the legislative appropriations and 581 transportation committees. 582 (4) (5) ADDITIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANS.-583 (a) Upon request by local governmental entities, the

584 department may in its discretion develop and design 585 transportation corridors, arterial and collector streets,

586 vehicular parking areas, and other support facilities which are

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587 consistent with the plans of the department for major 588 transportation facilities. The department may render to local 589 governmental entities or their planning agencies such technical 590 assistance and services as are necessary so that local plans and 591 facilities are coordinated with the plans and facilities of the 592 department.

593 (b) Each regional planning council, as provided for in s. 594 186.504, or any successor agency thereto, shall develop, as an 595 element of its strategic regional policy plan, transportation 596 goals and policies. The transportation goals and policies must 597 be prioritized to comply with the prevailing principles provided 598 in subsection (2) and s. 334.046(1). The transportation goals and policies shall be consistent, to the maximum extent 599 600 feasible, with the goals and policies of the metropolitan 601 planning organization and the Florida Transportation Plan. The 602 transportation goals and policies of the regional planning 603 council will be advisory only and shall be submitted to the 604 department and any affected metropolitan planning organization 605 for their consideration and comments. Metropolitan planning 606 organization plans and other local transportation plans shall be 607 developed consistent, to the maximum extent feasible, with the 608 regional transportation goals and policies. The regional 609 planning council shall review urbanized area transportation 610 plans and any other planning products stipulated in s. 339.175 and provide the department and respective metropolitan planning 611 organizations with written recommendations which the department 612 and the metropolitan planning organizations shall take under 613 advisement. Further, the regional planning councils shall 614

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615 directly assist local governments which are not part of a 616 metropolitan area transportation planning process in the 617 development of the transportation element of their comprehensive 618 plans as required by s. 163.3177.

619 Regional transportation plans may be developed in (C) 620 regional transportation areas in accordance with an interlocal 621 agreement entered into pursuant to s. 163.01 by two or more 622 contiguous metropolitan planning organizations; one or more 623 metropolitan planning organizations and one or more contiguous 624 counties, none of which is a member of a metropolitan planning 625 organization; a multicounty regional transportation authority 626 created by or pursuant to law; two or more contiguous counties 627 that are not members of a metropolitan planning organization; or 628 metropolitan planning organizations comprised of three or more 629 counties.

630 (d) The interlocal agreement must, at a minimum, identify 631 the entity that will coordinate the development of the regional 632 transportation plan; delineate the boundaries of the regional 633 transportation area; provide the duration of the agreement and 634 specify how the agreement may be terminated, modified, or 635 rescinded; describe the process by which the regional 636 transportation plan will be developed; and provide how members 637 of the entity will resolve disagreements regarding interpretation of the interlocal agreement or disputes relating 638 to the development or content of the regional transportation 639 640 plan. Such interlocal agreement shall become effective upon its recordation in the official public records of each county in the 641 642 regional transportation area.

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643 The regional transportation plan developed pursuant to (e) 644 this section must, at a minimum, identify regionally significant 645 transportation facilities located within a regional 646 transportation area and contain a prioritized list of regionally 647 significant projects. The level-of-service standards for 648 facilities to be funded under this subsection shall be adopted 649 by the appropriate local government in accordance with s. 650 163.3180(10). The projects shall be adopted into the capital 651 improvements schedule of the local government comprehensive plan 652 pursuant to s. 163.3177(3).

653 (5) (6) PROCEDURES FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN
 654 TRANSPORTATION PLANNING.—

655 During the development of the long-range component of (a) 656 the Florida Transportation Plan and prior to substantive 657 revisions, the department shall provide citizens, affected 658 public agencies, representatives of transportation agency 659 employees, other affected employee representatives, private 660 providers of transportation, and other known interested parties 661 with an opportunity to comment on the proposed plan or 662 revisions. These opportunities shall include, at a minimum, 663 publishing a notice in the Florida Administrative Weekly and 664 within a newspaper of general circulation within the area of 665 each department district office.

(b) During development of major transportation
improvements, such as those increasing the capacity of a
facility through the addition of new lanes or providing new
access to a limited or controlled access facility or
construction of a facility in a new location, the department

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671 shall hold one or more hearings prior to the selection of the 672 facility to be provided; prior to the selection of the site or 673 corridor of the proposed facility; and prior to the selection of 674 and commitment to a specific design proposal for the proposed 675 facility. Such public hearings shall be conducted so as to 676 provide an opportunity for effective participation by interested 677 persons in the process of transportation planning and site and route selection and in the specific location and design of 678 679 transportation facilities. The various factors involved in the 680 decision or decisions and any alternative proposals shall be 681 clearly presented so that the persons attending the hearing may 682 present their views relating to the decision or decisions which 683 will be made.

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(c) Opportunity for design hearings:

1. The department, prior to holding a design hearing, shall duly notify all affected property owners of record, as recorded in the property appraiser's office, by mail at least 20 days prior to the date set for the hearing. The affected property owners shall be:

a. Those whose property lies in whole or in part within
300 feet on either side of the centerline of the proposed
facility.

b. Those whom the department determines will be
substantially affected environmentally, economically, socially,
or safetywise.

696 2. For each subsequent hearing, the department shall
697 publish notice prior to the hearing date in a newspaper of
698 general circulation for the area affected. These notices must be

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published twice, with the first notice appearing at least 15days, but no later than 30 days, before the hearing.

3. A copy of the notice of opportunity for the hearing
must be furnished to the United States Department of
Transportation and to the appropriate departments of the state
qovernment at the time of publication.

4. The opportunity for another hearing shall be afforded in any case when proposed locations or designs are so changed from those presented in the notices specified above or at a hearing as to have a substantially different social, economic, or environmental effect.

The opportunity for a hearing shall be afforded in each
case in which the department is in doubt as to whether a hearing
is required.

713 Section 11. Section 339.62, Florida Statutes, is amended 714 to read:

339.62 System components.—The Strategic Intermodal Systemshall consist of appropriate components of:

Airport, seaport, and spaceport facilities.

717 (1) <u>Highway corridors</u> The Florida Intrastate Highway
 718 System established under <u>s. 339.65</u> s. 338.001.

(2) The National Highway System.

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(4) Rail lines and rail facilities.

(5) Selected intermodal facilities; passenger and freight terminals; and appropriate components of the State Highway System, county road system, city street system, inland waterways, and local public transit systems that serve as existing or planned connectors between the components listed in

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727 subsections (1) - (4).

728 (6) <u>Other</u> existing or planned corridors that serve a
729 statewide or interregional purpose.

730 Section 12. Subsection (2) of section 339.63, Florida731 Statutes, is amended to read:

339.63 System facilities designated; additions anddeletions.-

(2) The Strategic Intermodal System and the Emerging
Strategic Intermodal System include <u>four</u> three different types
of facilities that each form one component of an interconnected
transportation system which types include:

(a) Existing or planned hubs that are ports and terminals
including airports, seaports, spaceports, passenger terminals,
and rail terminals serving to move goods or people between
Florida regions or between Florida and other markets in the
United States and the rest of the world;

(b) Existing or planned corridors that are highways, rail lines, waterways, and other exclusive-use facilities connecting major markets within Florida or between Florida and other states or nations; and

(c) Existing or planned intermodal connectors that are highways, rail lines, waterways or local public transit systems serving as connectors between the components listed in paragraphs (a) and (b).

(d) Existing or planned military access facilities that
 are highways or rail lines linking Strategic Intermodal System
 corridors to the state's strategic military installations.

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754 Section 13. Section 339.64, Florida Statutes, is amended 755 to read:

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339.64 Strategic Intermodal System Plan.-

757 The department shall develop, in cooperation with (1)758 metropolitan planning organizations, regional planning councils, 759 local governments, the Statewide Intermodal Transportation 760 Advisory Council and other transportation providers, a Strategic 761 Intermodal System Plan. The plan shall be consistent with the 762 Florida Transportation Plan developed pursuant to s. 339.155 and shall be updated at least once every 5 years, subsequent to 763 updates of the Florida Transportation Plan. 764

765 (2)In association with the continued development of the 766 Strategic Intermodal System Plan, the Florida Transportation 767 Commission, as part of its work program review process, shall 768 conduct an annual assessment of the progress that the department 769 and its transportation partners have made in realizing the goals 770 of economic development, improved mobility, and increased 771 intermodal connectivity of the Strategic Intermodal System. The 772 Florida Transportation Commission shall coordinate with the 773 department, the Statewide Intermodal Transportation Advisory 774 Council, and other appropriate entities when developing this 775 assessment. The Florida Transportation Commission shall deliver 776 a report to the Governor and Legislature no later than 14 days 777 after the regular session begins, with recommendations as 778 necessary to fully implement the Strategic Intermodal System.

(3) (a) During the development of updates to the Strategic
Intermodal System Plan, the department shall provide
metropolitan planning organizations, regional planning councils,

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782 local governments, transportation providers, affected public 783 agencies, and citizens with an opportunity to participate in and 784 comment on the development of the update.

785 The department also shall coordinate with federal, (b) 786 regional, and local partners the planning for the Strategic Highway Network and the Strategic Rail Corridor Network 787 788 transportation facilities that either are included in the 789 Strategic Intermodal System or that provide a direct connection 790 between military installations and the Strategic Intermodal System. In addition, the department shall coordinate with 791 792 regional and local partners to determine whether the road and 793 other transportation infrastructure that connect military 794 installations to the Strategic Intermodal System, the Strategic 795 Highway Network, or the Strategic Rail Corridor is regionally 796 significant and should be included in the Strategic Intermodal 797 System Plan.

798 (4) The Strategic Intermodal System Plan shall include the 799 following:

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(a) A needs assessment.

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(b) A project prioritization process.

(c) A map of facilities designated as Strategic Intermodal
System facilities; facilities that are emerging in importance
and that are likely to become part of the system in the future;
and planned facilities that will meet the established criteria.

(d) A finance plan based on reasonable projections of
anticipated revenues, including both 10-year and <u>at least</u> 20year cost-feasible components.

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810	to Strategic Intermodal System corridors on military			
811	installations that are either located directly on the Strategic			
812	Intermodal System or located on the Strategic Highway Network or			
813	Strategic Rail Corridor Network.			
814	(5) STATEWIDE INTERMODAL TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COUNCIL			
815	(a) The Statewide Intermodal Transportation Advisory			
816	Council is created to advise and make recommendations to the			
817	Legislature and the department on policies, planning, and			
818	funding of intermodal transportation projects. The council's			
819	responsibilities shall include:			
820	1. Advising the department on the policies, planning, and			
821	implementation of strategies related to intermodal			
822	transportation.			
823	2. Providing advice and recommendations to the Legislature			
824	on funding for projects to move goods and people in the most			
825	efficient and effective manner for the State of Florida.			
826	(b) MEMBERSHIP. Members of the Statewide Intermodal			
827	Transportation Advisory Council shall consist of the following:			
828	1. Six intermodal industry representatives selected by the			
829	Governor as follows:			
830	a. One representative from an airport involved in the			
831	movement of freight and people from their airport facility to			
832	another transportation mode.			
833	b. One individual representing a fixed-route, local-			
834	government transit system.			
835	c. One representative from an intercity bus company			
836	providing regularly scheduled bus travel as determined by			
837	federal regulations.			
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838 d. One representative from a spaceport. e. One representative from intermodal trucking companies. 839 840 f. One representative having command responsibilities of a major military installation. 841 842 2. Three intermodal industry representatives selected by 843 the President of the Senate as follows: 844 One representative from major-line railroads. a. 845 b. One representative from seaports listed in s. 311.09(1) 846 from the Atlantic Coast. 847 c. One representative from an airport involved in the movement of freight and people from their airport facility to 848 849 another transportation mode. 850 3. Three intermodal industry representatives selected by 851 the Speaker of the House of Representatives as follows: 852 a. One representative from short-line railroads. 853 b. One representative from seaports listed in s. 311.09(1) 854 from the Gulf Coast. 855 c. One representative from intermodal trucking companies. 856 In no event may this representative be employed by the same 857 company that employs the intermodal trucking company 858 representative selected by the Governor. 859 (c) Initial appointments to the council must be made no 860 later than 30 days after the effective date of this section. 861 1. The initial appointments made by the President of the 862 Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall 863 serve terms concurrent with those of the respective appointing officer. Beginning January 15, 2005, and for all subsequent 864 865 appointments, council members appointed by the President of the Page 31 of 53

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866 Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall 867 serve 2-year terms, concurrent with the term of the respective 868 appointing officer. 869 2. The initial appointees, and all subsequent appointees, made by the Governor shall serve 2-year terms. 870 871 3. Vacancies on the council shall be filled in the same 872 manner as the initial appointments. 873 (d) Each member of the council shall be allowed one vote. 874 The council shall select a chair from among its membership. 875 Meetings shall be held at the call of the chair, but not less 876 frequently than quarterly. The members of the council shall be 877 reimbursed for per diem and travel expenses as provided in s. 112.061. 878 879 (c) The department shall provide administrative staff 880 support and shall ensure that council meetings are electronically recorded. Such recordings and all documents 881 882 received, prepared for, or used by the council in conducting its 883 business shall be preserved pursuant to chapters 119 and 257. 884 Section 14. Section 339.65, Florida Statutes, is created 885 to read: 886 339.65 Strategic Intermodal System highway corridors.-887 The department shall plan and develop Strategic (1) 888 Intermodal System highway corridors, including limited and 889 controlled access facilities, allowing for high-speed and high-890 volume traffic movements within the state. The primary function 891 of these corridors is to provide such traffic movements. Access 892 to abutting land is subordinate to this function, and such 893 access must be prohibited or highly regulated.

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894	(2) Strategic Intermodal System highway corridors shall				
895	include facilities from the following components of the State				
896	Highway System that meet the criteria adopted by the department				
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898	(a) Interstate highways.				
899	(b) The Florida Turnpike System.				
900	(c) Interregional and intercity limited access facilities.				
901	(d) Existing interregional and intercity arterial highways				
902	previously upgraded or upgraded in the future to limited access				
903	or controlled access facility standards.				
904	(e) New limited access facilities necessary to complete a				
905	balanced statewide system.				
906	(3) The department shall adhere to the following policy				
907	guidelines in the development of Strategic Intermodal System				
908	highway corridors:				
909	(a) Make capacity improvements to existing facilities				
910	where feasible to minimize costs and environmental impacts.				
911	(b) Identify appropriate arterial highways in major				
912	transportation corridors for inclusion in a program to bring				
913	these facilities up to limited access or controlled access				
914	facility standards.				
915	(c) Coordinate proposed projects with appropriate limited				
916	access projects undertaken by expressway authorities and local				
917	governmental entities.				
918	(d) Maximize the use of limited access facility standards				
919	when constructing new arterial highways.				
920	(e) Identify appropriate new limited access highways for				
921	inclusion as a part of the Florida Turnpike System.				
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922 To the maximum extent feasible, ensure that proposed (f) 923 projects are consistent with approved local government 924 comprehensive plans of the local jurisdictions in which such 925 facilities are to be located and with the transportation 926 improvement program of any metropolitan planning organization in 927 which such facilities are to be located. 928 (4) The department shall develop and maintain a plan of 929 Strategic Intermodal System highway corridor projects that are 930 anticipated to be let to contract for construction within a time 931 period of at least 20 years. The plan shall also identify when 932 segments of the corridor will meet the standards and criteria 933 developed pursuant to subsection (5). 934 The department shall establish the standards and (5) 935 criteria for the functional characteristics and design of 936 facilities proposed as part of Strategic Intermodal System 937 highway corridors. 938 (6) For the purposes of developing the proposed Strategic 939 Intermodal System highway corridors, beginning in fiscal year 940 2003-2004 and for each fiscal year thereafter, the minimum 941 amount allocated shall be based on the fiscal year 2003-2004 942 allocation of \$450 million adjusted annually by the change in 943 the Consumer Price Index for the prior fiscal year compared to 944 the Consumer Price Index for fiscal year 2003-2004. 945 (7) Any project to be constructed as part of a Strategic Intermodal System highway corridor shall be included in the 946 947 department's adopted work program. Any Strategic Intermodal 948 System highway corridor projects that are added to or deleted 949 from the previous adopted work program, or any modification to

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950 Strategic Intermodal System highway corridor projects contained 951 in the previous adopted work program, shall be specifically 952 identified and submitted as a separate part of the tentative 953 work program.

954 Section 15. Paragraph (a) of subsection (12) of section 955 163.3180, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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163.3180 Concurrency.-

957 (12)(a) A development of regional impact may satisfy the 958 transportation concurrency requirements of the local 959 comprehensive plan, the local government's concurrency 960 management system, and s. 380.06 by payment of a proportionate-961 share contribution for local and regionally significant traffic 962 impacts, if:

963 1. The development of regional impact which, based on its 964 location or mix of land uses, is designed to encourage 965 pedestrian or other nonautomotive modes of transportation;

966 2. The proportionate-share contribution for local and 967 regionally significant traffic impacts is sufficient to pay for 968 one or more required mobility improvements that will benefit a 969 regionally significant transportation facility;

970 3. The owner and developer of the development of regional
971 impact pays or assures payment of the proportionate-share
972 contribution; and

973 4. If the regionally significant transportation facility 974 to be constructed or improved is under the maintenance authority 975 of a governmental entity, as defined by s. 334.03(12), other 976 than the local government with jurisdiction over the development 977 of regional impact, the developer is required to enter into a

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978 binding and legally enforceable commitment to transfer funds to 979 the governmental entity having maintenance authority or to 980 otherwise assure construction or improvement of the facility.

982 The proportionate-share contribution may be applied to any 983 transportation facility to satisfy the provisions of this 984 subsection and the local comprehensive plan, but, for the 985 purposes of this subsection, the amount of the proportionate-986 share contribution shall be calculated based upon the cumulative 987 number of trips from the proposed development expected to reach 988 roadways during the peak hour from the complete buildout of a 989 stage or phase being approved, divided by the change in the peak 990 hour maximum service volume of roadways resulting from 991 construction of an improvement necessary to maintain the adopted 992 level of service, multiplied by the construction cost, at the 993 time of developer payment, of the improvement necessary to 994 maintain the adopted level of service. For purposes of this 995 subsection, "construction cost" includes all associated costs of 996 the improvement. Proportionate-share mitigation shall be limited 997 to ensure that a development of regional impact meeting the 998 requirements of this subsection mitigates its impact on the 999 transportation system but is not responsible for the additional 1000 cost of reducing or eliminating backlogs. This subsection also 1001 applies to Florida Quality Developments pursuant to s. 380.061 and to detailed specific area plans implementing optional sector 1002 plans pursuant to s. 163.3245. 1003

1004 Section 16. Paragraph (k) of subsection (1) of section 1005 163.3187, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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163.3187 Amendment of adopted comprehensive plan.-

1007 (1) Amendments to comprehensive plans adopted pursuant to 1008 this part may be made not more than two times during any 1009 calendar year, except:

1010 A local comprehensive plan amendment directly related (k) 1011 to providing transportation improvements to enhance life safety 1012 on controlled access major arterial highways identified in the Strategic Intermodal System Florida Intrastate Highway System, 1013 1014 in counties as defined in s. 125.011, where such roadways have a 1015 high incidence of traffic accidents resulting in serious injury 1016 or death. Any such amendment shall not include any amendment 1017 modifying the designation on a comprehensive development plan 1018 land use map nor any amendment modifying the allowable densities 1019 or intensities of any land.

1020 Section 17. Subsection (3) of section 288.063, Florida 1021 Statutes, is amended to read:

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288.063 Contracts for transportation projects.-

1023 (3) With respect to any contract executed pursuant to this 1024 section, the term "transportation project" means a 1025 transportation facility as defined in s. $334.03 \cdot (31)$ which is 1026 necessary in the judgment of the Office of Tourism, Trade, and 1027 Economic Development to facilitate the economic development and 1028 growth of the state. Except for applications received prior to 1029 July 1, 1996, such transportation projects shall be approved 1030 only as a consideration to attract new employment opportunities 1031 to the state or expand or retain employment in existing 1032 companies operating within the state, or to allow for the 1033 construction or expansion of a state or federal correctional

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1034 facility in a county with a population of 75,000 or less that 1035 creates new employment opportunities or expands or retains 1036 employment in the county. The Office of Tourism, Trade, and 1037 Economic Development shall institute procedures to ensure that 1038 small and minority businesses have equal access to funding 1039 provided under this section. Funding for approved transportation 1040 projects may include any expenses, other than administrative 1041 costs and equipment purchases specified in the contract, 1042 necessary for new, or improvement to existing, transportation 1043 facilities. Funds made available pursuant to this section may 1044 not be expended in connection with the relocation of a business 1045 from one community to another community in this state unless the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development determines 1046 1047 that without such relocation the business will move outside this 1048 state or determines that the business has a compelling economic 1049 rationale for the relocation which creates additional jobs. 1050 Subject to appropriation for projects under this section, any 1051 appropriation greater than \$10 million shall be allocated to 1052 each of the districts of the Department of Transportation to 1053 ensure equitable geographical distribution. Such allocated funds 1054 that remain uncommitted by the third quarter of the fiscal year 1055 shall be reallocated among the districts based on pending 1056 project requests.

1057Section 18. Paragraph (b) of subsection (3) of section1058311.07, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1059 311.07 Florida seaport transportation and economic 1060 development funding.-

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(b) Projects eligible for funding by grants under the program are limited to the following port facilities or port transportation projects:

1065 1. Transportation facilities within the jurisdiction of 1066 the port.

1067 2. The dredging or deepening of channels, turning basins,1068 or harbors.

1069 3. The construction or rehabilitation of wharves, docks, 1070 structures, jetties, piers, storage facilities, cruise 1071 terminals, automated people mover systems, or any facilities 1072 necessary or useful in connection with any of the foregoing.

1073 4. The acquisition of vessel tracking systems, container
1074 cranes, or other mechanized equipment used in the movement of
1075 cargo or passengers in international commerce.

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5. The acquisition of land to be used for port purposes.

1077 6. The acquisition, improvement, enlargement, or extension 1078 of existing port facilities.

1079 Environmental protection projects which are necessary 7. because of requirements imposed by a state agency as a condition 1080 1081 of a permit or other form of state approval; which are necessary 1082 for environmental mitigation required as a condition of a state, 1083 federal, or local environmental permit; which are necessary for 1084 the acquisition of spoil disposal sites and improvements to 1085 existing and future spoil sites; or which result from the 1086 funding of eligible projects listed in this paragraph.

1087 8. Transportation facilities as defined in s. 334.03(31)
1088 which are not otherwise part of the Department of
1089 Transportation's adopted work program.

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1090 1091 9. Seaport intermodal access projects identified in the 5year Florida Seaport Mission Plan as provided in s. 311.09(3).

1092 10. Construction or rehabilitation of port facilities as 1093 defined in s. 315.02, excluding any park or recreational 1094 facilities, in ports listed in s. 311.09(1) with operating 1095 revenues of \$5 million or less, provided that such projects 1096 create economic development opportunities, capital improvements, 1097 and positive financial returns to such ports.

1098 Section 19. Subsection (7) of section 311.09, Florida 1099 Statutes, is amended to read:

1100 311.09 Florida Seaport Transportation and Economic 1101 Development Council.-

The Department of Transportation shall review the list 1102 (7)1103 of projects approved by the council for consistency with the 1104 Florida Transportation Plan and the department's adopted work 1105 program. In evaluating the consistency of a project, the 1106 department shall determine whether the transportation impact of 1107 the proposed project is adequately handled by existing state-1108 owned transportation facilities or by the construction of additional state-owned transportation facilities as identified 1109 1110 in the Florida Transportation Plan and the department's adopted 1111 work program. In reviewing for consistency a transportation facility project as defined in s. 334.03 + (31) which is not 1112 1113 otherwise part of the department's work program, the department 1114 shall evaluate whether the project is needed to provide for 1115 projected movement of cargo or passengers from the port to a 1116 state transportation facility or local road. If the project is needed to provide for projected movement of cargo or passengers, 1117

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1118 the project shall be approved for consistency as a consideration 1119 to facilitate the economic development and growth of the state 1120 in a timely manner. The Department of Transportation shall 1121 identify those projects which are inconsistent with the Florida 1122 Transportation Plan and the adopted work program and shall 1123 notify the council of projects found to be inconsistent.

1124 Section 20. Section 316.2122, Florida Statutes, is amended 1125 to read:

1126 316.2122 Operation of a low-speed vehicle or mini truck on 1127 certain roadways.—The operation of a low-speed vehicle as 1128 defined in s. 320.01(42) or a mini truck as defined in s. 1129 320.01(45) on any road as defined in s. 334.03(15) or (33) is 1130 authorized with the following restrictions:

(1) A low-speed vehicle or mini truck may be operated only on streets where the posted speed limit is 35 miles per hour or less. This does not prohibit a low-speed vehicle or mini truck from crossing a road or street at an intersection where the road or street has a posted speed limit of more than 35 miles per hour.

(2) A low-speed vehicle must be equipped with headlamps, stop lamps, turn signal lamps, taillamps, reflex reflectors, parking brakes, rearview mirrors, windshields, seat belts, and vehicle identification numbers.

(3) A low-speed vehicle or mini truck must be registered and insured in accordance with s. 320.02 and titled pursuant to chapter 319.

(4) Any person operating a low-speed vehicle or mini truck must have in his or her possession a valid driver's license.

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(5) A county or municipality may prohibit the operation of low-speed vehicles or mini trucks on any road under its jurisdiction if the governing body of the county or municipality determines that such prohibition is necessary in the interest of safety.

(6) The Department of Transportation may prohibit the operation of low-speed vehicles or mini trucks on any road under its jurisdiction if it determines that such prohibition is necessary in the interest of safety.

1155 Section 21. Section 318.12, Florida Statutes, is amended 1156 to read:

1157 Purpose.-It is the legislative intent in the 318.12 1158 adoption of this chapter to decriminalize certain violations of 1159 chapter 316, the Florida Uniform Traffic Control Law; chapter 1160 320, Motor Vehicle Licenses; chapter 322, Drivers' Licenses; 1161 chapter 338, Limited Access Florida Intrastate Highway System and Toll Facilities; and chapter 1006, Support of Learning, 1162 1163 thereby facilitating the implementation of a more uniform and 1164 expeditious system for the disposition of traffic infractions.

1165 Section 22. Subsection (3) of section 335.02, Florida
1166 Statutes, is amended to read:

1167 335.02 Authority to designate transportation facilities 1168 and rights-of-way and establish lanes; procedure for 1169 redesignation and relocation; application of local regulations.-

(3) The department may establish standards for lanes on
the State Highway System, including the <u>Strategic Intermodal</u>
<u>System highway corridors</u> Florida Intrastate Highway System
established pursuant to s. <u>339.65</u> 338.001. In determining the

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1174 number of lanes for any regional corridor or section of highway 1175 on the State Highway System to be funded by the department with 1176 state or federal funds, the department shall evaluate all 1177 alternatives and seek to achieve the highest degree of efficient 1178 mobility for corridor users. In conducting the analysis, the 1179 department must give consideration to the following factors 1180 consistent with sound engineering principles:

(a) Overall economic importance of the corridor as a trade or tourism corridor.

(b) Safety of corridor users, including the importance of the corridor for evacuation purposes.

1185 (c) Cost-effectiveness of alternative methods of 1186 increasing the mobility of corridor users.

1187 1188 (d) Current and projected traffic volumes on the corridor.

(e) Multimodal alternatives.

1189 (f) Use of intelligent transportation technology in 1190 increasing the efficiency of the corridor.

(g) Compliance with state and federal policies related to clean air, environmental impacts, growth management, livable communities, and energy conservation.

(h) Addition of special use lanes, such as exclusive truck lanes, high-occupancy-vehicle toll lanes, and exclusive interregional traffic lanes.

(i) Availability and cost of rights-of-way, including associated costs, and the most effective use of existing rightsof-way.

1200 (j) Regional economic and transportation objectives, where 1201 articulated.

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1202 (k) The future land use plan element of local government 1203 comprehensive plans, as appropriate, including designated urban 1204 infill and redevelopment areas. 1205 The traffic circulation element, if applicable, of (1)1206 local government comprehensive plans, including designated 1207 transportation corridors and public transportation corridors. 1208 (m) The approved metropolitan planning organization's 1209 long-range transportation plan, as appropriate. 1210 This subsection does not preclude a number of lanes in excess of 1211 1212 10 lanes, but an additional factor that must be considered 1213 before the department may determine that the number of lanes 1214 should be more than 10 is the capacity to accommodate in the 1215 future alternative forms of transportation within existing or 1216 potential rights-of-way. 1217 Section 23. Section 336.01, Florida Statutes, is amended 1218 to read: 1219 336.01 Designation of county road system.-The county road 1220 system shall be as defined in s. $334.03\frac{(8)}{(8)}$. 1221 Section 24. Subsection (2) of section 338.222, Florida 1222 Statutes, is amended to read: 1223 338.222 Department of Transportation sole governmental 1224 entity to acquire, construct, or operate turnpike projects; 1225 exception.-1226 (2)The department may contract with any local governmental entity as defined in s. 334.03(13) (14) for the 1227 1228 design, right-of-way acquisition, or construction of any turnpike project which the Legislature has approved. Local 1229 Page 44 of 53

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governmental entities may negotiate with the department for the design, right-of-way acquisition, and construction of any section of the turnpike project within areas of their respective jurisdictions or within counties with which they have interlocal agreements.

1235 Section 25. Paragraph (b) of subsection (1) of section 1236 338.223, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1237 338.223 Proposed turnpike projects.-

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1239 Any proposed turnpike project or improvement shall be (b) 1240 developed in accordance with the Florida Transportation Plan and 1241 the work program pursuant to s. 339.135. Turnpike projects that 1242 add capacity, alter access, affect feeder roads, or affect the 1243 operation of the local transportation system shall be included 1244 in the transportation improvement plan of the affected 1245 metropolitan planning organization. If such turnpike project 1246 does not fall within the jurisdiction of a metropolitan planning 1247 organization, the department shall notify the affected county 1248 and provide for public hearings in accordance with s. 1249 339.155(5)(6)(c).

1250 Section 26. Subsection (4) of section 338.227, Florida
1251 Statutes, is amended to read:

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338.227 Turnpike revenue bonds.-

(4) The Department of Transportation and the Department of
Management Services shall create and implement an outreach
program designed to enhance the participation of minority
persons and minority business enterprises in all contracts
entered into by their respective departments for services

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1258 related to the financing of department projects for the 1259 <u>Strategic Intermodal System Plan developed pursuant to s. 339.64</u> 1260 Florida Intrastate Highway System Plan. These services shall 1261 include, but not be limited to, bond counsel and bond 1262 underwriters.

Section 27. Subsection (2) of section 338.2275, Florida
Statutes, is amended to read:

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338.2275 Approved turnpike projects.-

The department is authorized to use turnpike revenues, 1266 (2)1267 the State Transportation Trust Fund moneys allocated for turnpike projects pursuant to s. 339.65 s. 338.001, federal 1268 1269 funds, and bond proceeds, and shall use the most cost-efficient 1270 combination of such funds, in developing a financial plan for 1271 funding turnpike projects. The department must submit a report 1272 of the estimated cost for each ongoing turnpike project and for 1273 each planned project to the Legislature 14 days before the 1274 convening of the regular legislative session. Verification of 1275 economic feasibility and statements of environmental feasibility 1276 for individual turnpike projects must be based on the entire 1277 project as approved. Statements of environmental feasibility are 1278 not required for those projects listed in s. 12, chapter 90-136, 1279 Laws of Florida, for which the Project Development and 1280 Environmental Reports were completed by July 1, 1990. All required environmental permits must be obtained before the 1281 department may advertise for bids for contracts for the 1282 1283 construction of any turnpike project.

1284 Section 28. Section 338.228, Florida Statutes, is amended 1285 to read:

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1286 338.228 Bonds not debts or pledges of credit of state.-1287 Turnpike revenue bonds issued under the provisions of ss. 1288 338.22-338.241 are not debts of the state or pledges of the 1289 faith and credit of the state. Such bonds are payable 1290 exclusively from revenues pledged for their payment. All such 1291 bonds shall contain a statement on their face that the state is 1292 not obligated to pay the same or the interest thereon, except 1293 from the revenues pledged for their payment, and that the faith 1294 and credit of the state is not pledged to the payment of the 1295 principal or interest of such bonds. The issuance of turnpike 1296 revenue bonds under the provisions of ss. 338.22-338.241 does 1297 not directly, indirectly, or contingently obligate the state to 1298 levy or to pledge any form of taxation whatsoever, or to make any appropriation for their payment. Except as provided in ss. 1299 338.001, 338.223, and 338.2275, and 339.65, no state funds shall 1300 1301 be used on any turnpike project or to pay the principal or 1302 interest of any bonds issued to finance or refinance any portion 1303 of the turnpike system, and all such bonds shall contain a 1304 statement on their face to this effect.

Section 29. Subsection (2) of section 338.234, Florida
Statutes, is amended to read:

1307 338.234 Granting concessions or selling along the turnpike 1308 system; immunity from taxation.-

1309 (2) The effectuation of the authorized purposes of the
1310 <u>Strategic Intermodal System, created under ss. 339.61-339.65,</u>
1311 Florida Intrastate Highway System and Florida Turnpike
1312 Enterprise, created under this chapter, is for the benefit of
1313 the people of the state, for the increase of their commerce and
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1314 prosperity, and for the improvement of their health and living 1315 conditions; and, because the system and enterprise perform 1316 essential government functions in effectuating such purposes, 1317 neither the turnpike enterprise nor any nongovernment lessee or 1318 licensee renting, leasing, or licensing real property from the 1319 turnpike enterprise, pursuant to an agreement authorized by this 1320 section, are required to pay any commercial rental tax imposed under s. 212.031 on any capital improvements constructed, 1321 1322 improved, acquired, installed, or used for such purposes.

Section 30. Subsections (1) and (3) of section 339.2819, Horida Statutes, are amended to read:

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339.2819 Transportation Regional Incentive Program.-

(1) There is created within the Department of Transportation a Transportation Regional Incentive Program for the purpose of providing funds to improve regionally significant transportation facilities in regional transportation areas created pursuant to s. 339.155(4)(5).

(3) The department shall allocate funding available for
the Transportation Regional Incentive Program to the districts
based on a factor derived from equal parts of population and
motor fuel collections for eligible counties in regional
transportation areas created pursuant to s. 339.155(4)(5).

Section 31. Subsection (6) of section 339.285, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1338 339.285 Enhanced Bridge Program for Sustainable 1339 Transportation.-

1340(6) Preference shall be given to bridge projects located1341on corridors that connect to the Strategic Intermodal System,

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1342 created under s. 339.64, and that have been identified as 1343 regionally significant in accordance with s. 339.155(4)(5)(c), 1344 (d), and (e).

1345 Section 32. Subsection (2) of section 341.053, Florida
1346 Statutes, is amended to read:

1347 341.053 Intermodal Development Program; administration; 1348 eligible projects; limitations.-

1349 (2)In recognition of the department's role in the 1350 economic development of this state, the department shall develop 1351 a proposed intermodal development plan to connect Florida's 1352 airports, deepwater seaports, rail systems serving both 1353 passenger and freight, and major intermodal connectors to the 1354 Strategic Intermodal System highway corridors Florida Intrastate 1355 Highway System facilities as the primary system for the movement 1356 of people and freight in this state in order to make the 1357 intermodal development plan a fully integrated and 1358 interconnected system. The intermodal development plan must:

(a) Define and assess the state's freight intermodal
network, including airports, seaports, rail lines and terminals,
intercity bus lines and terminals, and connecting highways.

(b) Prioritize statewide infrastructure investments,
including the acceleration of current projects, which are found
by the Freight Stakeholders Task Force to be priority projects
for the efficient movement of people and freight.

(c) Be developed in a manner that will assure maximum use of existing facilities and optimum integration and coordination of the various modes of transportation, including both government-owned and privately owned resources, in the most

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1370 cost-effective manner possible.

1371 Section 33. Subsection (2) of section 341.8225, Florida1372 Statutes, is amended to read:

1373 341.8225 Department of Transportation sole governmental 1374 entity to acquire, construct, or operate high-speed rail 1375 projects; exception.-

1376 (2) Local governmental entities, as defined in s.
1377 334.03(13)(14), may negotiate with the department for the
1378 design, right-of-way acquisition, and construction of any
1379 component of the high-speed rail system within areas of their
1380 respective jurisdictions or within counties with which they have
1381 interlocal agreements.

1382Section 34. Paragraph (a) of subsection (2) of section1383403.7211, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

1384 403.7211 Hazardous waste facilities managing hazardous 1385 wastes generated offsite; federal facilities managing hazardous 1386 waste.-

1387 (2) The department shall not issue any permit under s.
1388 403.722 for the construction, initial operation, or substantial
1389 modification of a facility for the disposal, storage, or
1390 treatment of hazardous waste generated offsite which is proposed
1391 to be located in any of the following locations:

(a) Any area where life-threatening concentrations of
hazardous substances could accumulate at any residence or
residential subdivision as the result of a catastrophic event at
the proposed facility, unless each such residence or residential
subdivision is served by at least one arterial road or urban
minor arterial road, as determined under the procedures

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1398 referenced in s. 334.03(9) defined in s. 334.03, which provides 1399 safe and direct egress by land to an area where such life-1400 threatening concentrations of hazardous substances could not 1401 accumulate in a catastrophic event. Egress by any road leading 1402 from any residence or residential subdivision to any point 1403 located within 1,000 yards of the proposed facility is unsafe 1404 for the purposes of this paragraph. In determining whether 1405 egress proposed by the applicant is safe and direct, the 1406 department shall also consider, at a minimum, the following factors: 1407

1408 1. Natural barriers such as water bodies, and whether any 1409 road in the proposed evacuation route is impaired by a natural 1410 barrier such as a water body;

1411 2. Potential exposure during egress and potential1412 increases in the duration of exposure;

1413 3. Whether any road in a proposed evacuation route passes1414 in close proximity to the facility; and

1415 4. Whether any portion of the evacuation route is1416 inherently directed toward the facility.

1418 For the purposes of this subsection, all distances shall be measured from the outer limit of the active hazardous waste 1419 1420 management area. "Substantial modification" includes: any 1421 physical change in, change in the operations of, or addition to 1422 a facility which could increase the potential offsite impact, or 1423 risk of impact, from a release at that facility; and any change 1424 in permit conditions which is reasonably expected to lead to greater potential impacts or risks of impacts, from a release at 1425

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1426 that facility. "Substantial modification" does not include a 1427 change in operations, structures, or permit conditions which 1428 does not substantially increase either the potential impact 1429 from, or the risk of, a release. Physical or operational changes 1430 to a facility related solely to the management of nonhazardous 1431 waste at the facility shall not be considered a substantial 1432 modification. The department shall, by rule, adopt criteria to 1433 determine whether a facility has been substantially modified. 1434 "Initial operation" means the initial commencement of operations 1435 at the facility.

1436 Section 35. Subsection (27) of section 479.01, Florida 1437 Statutes, is amended to read:

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479.01 Definitions.-As used in this chapter, the term: 1439 (27) "Urban area" has the same meaning as defined in s. 1440 334.03 (29).

1441 Section 36. Subsection (1) of section 479.07, Florida 1442 Statutes, is amended to read:

479.07 Sign permits.-

1444 Except as provided in ss. 479.105(1)(e) and 479.16, a (1)1445 person may not erect, operate, use, or maintain, or cause to be 1446 erected, operated, used, or maintained, any sign on the State 1447 Highway System outside an urban area, as defined in s. 334.03(32), or on any portion of the interstate or federal-aid 1448 1449 primary highway system without first obtaining a permit for the 1450 sign from the department and paying the annual fee as provided 1451 in this section. As used in this section, the term "on any portion of the State Highway System, interstate, or federal-aid 1452 1453 primary system" means a sign located within the controlled area

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1454 which is visible from any portion of the main-traveled way of 1455 such system.

Section 37. Subsection (5) of section 479.261, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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479.261 Logo sign program.-

1459 At a minimum, permit fees for businesses that (5) 1460 participate in the program must be established in an amount 1461 sufficient to offset the total cost to the department for the 1462 program, including contract costs. The department shall provide the services in the most efficient and cost-effective manner 1463 1464 through department staff or by contracting for some or all of 1465 the services. The department shall adopt rules that set 1466 reasonable rates based upon factors such as population, traffic 1467 volume, market demand, and costs for annual permit fees. 1468 However, annual permit fees for sign locations inside an urban 1469 area, as defined in s. $334.03 \left(\frac{32}{32} \right)$, may not exceed \$3,500, and 1470 annual permit fees for sign locations outside an urban area, as 1471 defined in s. 334.03(32), may not exceed \$2,000. After 1472 recovering program costs, the proceeds from the annual permit 1473 fees shall be deposited into the State Transportation Trust Fund 1474 and used for transportation purposes.

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Section 38. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.

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