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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to billboard regulation; amending s.
3 479.01, F.S.; revising and clarifying definitions
4 relating to the regulation of billboards; providing an
5 effective date.

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7 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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9 Section 1. Subsections (4) and (26) of section 479.01,
10 Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

11 479.01 Definitions.—As used in this chapter, the term:

12 (4) "Commercial or industrial zone" means a parcel of land
13 designated predominantly for commercial or industrial uses under
14 both the future land use map of the comprehensive plan and the
15 land use development regulations adopted pursuant to chapter
16 163. If a parcel is located in an area designated for multiple
17 uses on the future land use map of a comprehensive plan and the
18 zoning category of the land development regulations does not
19 clearly designate that parcel for a specific use, the area will
20 be considered an unzoned commercial or industrial area if it
21 meets the criteria of subsection (26).

22 (26) "Unzoned commercial or industrial area" means an area
23 ~~a parcel~~ of land designated by the future land use map of the
24 comprehensive plan for multiple uses that include commercial or
25 industrial uses but are not specifically designated for
26 commercial or industrial uses under the land development
27 regulations, in which three or more separate and distinct
28 conforming industrial or commercial activities are located.

29 (a) These activities must satisfy only the following

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30 criteria:

31 1. At least one of the commercial or industrial activities
32 must be located on the same side of the highway and within 800
33 feet of the sign location;

34 2. The commercial or industrial activities must be within
35 660 feet from the nearest edge of the right-of-way; and

36 3. The commercial industrial activities must be within
37 1,600 feet of each other.

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39 Distances specified in this paragraph must be measured from the
40 nearest outer edge of the primary building or primary building
41 complex when the individual units of the complex are connected
42 by covered walkways.

43 (b) Certain activities, including, but not limited to, the
44 following, may not be so recognized as commercial or industrial
45 activities:

46 1. Signs.

47 2. Agricultural, forestry, ranching, grazing, farming, and
48 related activities, including, but not limited to, wayside fresh
49 produce stands.

50 3. Transient or temporary activities.

51 4. Activities not visible from the main-traveled way.

52 5. Activities conducted more than 660 feet from the nearest
53 edge of the right-of-way.

54 6. Activities conducted in a building principally used as a
55 residence.

56 7. Railroad tracks and minor sidings.

57 8. Communication towers.

58 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.