By the Committees on Commerce and Tourism; and Transportation; and Senator Wise

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to the sponsorship of state greenways and trails; creating the "John Anthony Wilson Bicycle Safety Act"; creating s. 260.0144, F.S.; providing for the Department of Environmental Protection to enter into concession agreements for naming rights of state greenway and trail facilities or property or for commercial advertising to be displayed on state greenway and trail facilities or property; providing for distribution of proceeds from such concession agreements; authorizing the department to adopt rules; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. This act may be cited as the "John Anthony Wilson Bicycle Safety Act."

Section 2. Section 260.0144, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

260.0144 Sponsorship of state greenways and trails.—The department may enter into a concession agreement with a not-for-profit entity or private sector business or entity for naming rights of state greenway and trail facilities or property or for commercial sponsorship to be displayed on state greenway and trail facilities or property. The department is authorized to establish the cost for entering into a concession agreement.

(1) A concession agreement under this section shall be administered by the department and must include the requirements found in this section.

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(2) (a) Naming rights or space for a commercial sponsorship display may be provided through a concession agreement on certain state-owned greenway or trail facilities or property.

- (b) Signage or displays erected under this section shall comply with the provisions of s. 337.407 and chapter 479, and shall be limited to trailheads, trail intersections, directional or distance markers, interpretive exhibits, and parking areas.
- (c) The size of any sign or display shall be limited as follows:
- 1. A sign or display located at a trailhead or parking area may not exceed 16 square feet.
- $\underline{\text{2. All other signs or displays may not exceed 4 square}}$  feet.
- (d) Before installation, each name or sponsorship display must be approved by the department.
- (e) The department shall set materials and construction standards for all signage displayed.
- (f) All costs of a display, including its development, construction, installation, operation, maintenance, and removal, shall be paid by the concessionaire.
- (3) A concession agreement under this section shall be for a minimum of 1 year but may be for a longer period under a multiyear agreement, and may be terminated for just cause by the department with 60 days' advance notice. Just cause for termination of a concession agreement under this section shall include, but is not limited to, violation of the terms of the concession agreement or any provision found within this section.
- (4) Naming rights of a facility and commercial sponsorship pursuant to a concession agreement under this section are for

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public relations or advertising purposes of the not-for-profit entity or private sector business or entity, and shall not be construed by that not-for-profit entity or private sector business or entity as having a relationship to any other actions of the department.

- (5) This section does not create a proprietary or compensable interest in any sign or display site or location.
- (6) Proceeds from concession agreements under this section shall be distributed as follows:
- (a) Eighty-five percent shall be deposited into the appropriate department trust fund that is the source of funding for management and operation of state greenway and trail facilities and properties.
- (b) Fifteen percent shall be deposited into the State

  Transportation Trust Fund for use in the Traffic and Bicycle

  Safety Education Program and the Safe Paths to School Program administered by the Department of Transportation.
- $\underline{\mbox{(7)}}$  The department may adopt rules to administer this section.
  - Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012.