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11	Senator Jones moved the following amendment:
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13	Senate Amendment (with title amendment)
14	On page 39, between lines 2 and 3,
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16	insert:
17	Section 19. Subsection (26) of section 334.044,
18	Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, is amended to read:
19	334.044 Department; powers and dutiesThe department
20	shall have the following general powers and duties:
21	(26) To provide for the conservation of natural
22	roadside growth and scenery and for the implementation and
23	maintenance of roadside beautification programs. For fiscal
24	years 1999-2000, 2000-2001, and 2001-2002, not less than 1
25	percent of the amount contracted for construction projects,
26	and for subsequent fiscal years, not less than 1.5 percent of
27	the amount contracted for construction projects shall be
28	allocated by the department to beautification programs. Except
29	where prohibited by federal law or federal regulation, and to
30	the extent practical, a minimum of 50 percent of these funds
31	shall be used to purchase large plant materials and the
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remaining funds shall be used to purchase other plant materials, which shall be purchased from nursery stock in this state on a uniform, competitive-bid basis. The department shall develop grades and standards for landscaping materials purchased through this process. To accomplish these activities, the department may contract with nonprofit organizations having the primary purpose of developing youth employment opportunities. (Redesignate subsequent sections.) And the title is amended as follows: On page 2, line 29, after the semicolon, insert: amending s. 334.044, F.S.; requiring that a specified percentage of the amount contracted for construction projects be allocated to beautification programs;

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