

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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03/10/2009		
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The Committee on Transportation (Baker) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 8 - 9

and insert:

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Section 1. Section 479.156, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

479.156 Wall murals.-Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, a municipality or county may permit and regulate wall murals within areas designated by such government.

10 (1) If a municipality or county permits wall murals, a wall 11 mural that displays a commercial message and is within 660 feet

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12 of the nearest edge of the right-of-way within an area adjacent 13 to the interstate highway system or the federal-aid primary 14 highway system must shall be located in an area that is zoned for industrial or commercial use. and The municipality or county 15 16 shall establish and enforce regulations for such areas that, at 17 a minimum, set forth criteria governing the size, lighting, and 18 spacing of wall murals consistent with the intent of the Highway 19 Beautification Act of 1965 and with customary use.

20 (a) A wall mural that is subject to municipal or county 21 regulation and the Highway Beautification Act of 1965 must be 22 approved by the department of Transportation and the Federal 23 Highway Administration and may not violate the agreement between 24 the state and the United States Department of Transportation or 25 violate federal regulations enforced by the department of 26 Transportation under s. 479.02(1).

(b) If, pursuant to 23 U.S.C. s. 131(d) and 23 U.S.C. s. 750.706(c), a municipality or county makes a determination of customary use, such determination shall be accepted in lieu of controls in the agreement between the state and the United States Department of Transportation, and the department shall notify the Federal Highway Administration.

33 <u>(2)</u> The existence of a wall mural <u>may</u> as defined in s.
34 479.01(27) shall not be considered in determining whether a <u>new</u>
35 or existing sign as defined in s. 479.01(17), either existing or
36 new, is in compliance with s. 479.07(9)(a).

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41	and insert:
42	An act relating to wall murals; amending s. 479.156,
43	F.S.; clarifying that a municipality or county is
44	authorized to make a determination of customary use
45	with respect to regulations governing commercial wall
46	murals and that such determination must be accepted in
47	lieu of any agreement between the state and the United
48	States Department of Transportation; providing an
49	effective date.