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HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

SENATE BILL NO. 77

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To repeal sections 226.520 and 227.410, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof six new sections relating to roadway signs.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 226.520 and 227.410, RSMo, are repealed and six new

- 2 sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 226.520, 227.410,
- 3 227.424, 227.425, 227.429, and 227.430, to read as follows:

226.520. On and after March 30, 1972, no outdoor advertising shall be

- erected or maintained within six hundred sixty feet of the nearest edge of the
- 3 right-of-way and visible from the main traveled way of any highway which is part
- 4 of the federal-aid primary highways as of June 1, 1991, and all highways
- 5 designated as part of the National Highway System by the National Highway
- 6 System Designation Act of 1995 and those highways subsequently designated as
 - part of the National Highway System in this state except the following:
- 8 (1) Directional and other official signs, including, but not limited to, signs
- 9 pertaining to natural wonders, scenic, cultural (including agricultural
- 10 activities or attractions), scientific, educational, religious sites, and
- 11 historical attractions, which are required or authorized by law, and which comply
- 12 with regulations which shall be promulgated by the department relative to their
- 13 lighting, size, number, spacing and such other requirements as may be
- 14 appropriate to implement sections 226.500 to 226.600, but such regulations shall
- 15 not be inconsistent with, nor more restrictive than, such national standards as
- 16 may be promulgated from time to time by the Secretary of the Department of
- 17 Transportation of the United States, under subsection (c) of Section 131 of Title

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23 of the United States Code; 18

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- 19 (2) Signs, displays, and devices advertising activities conducted on the property upon which they are located, or services and products therein provided; 20
- 21 (3) Outdoor advertising located in areas which are zoned industrial, 22 commercial or the like as provided in sections 226.500 to 226.600 or under other 23 authority of law;
- 24 (4) Outdoor advertising located in unzoned commercial or industrial areas 25as defined and determined pursuant to sections 226.500 to 226.600;
- (5) Outdoor advertising for tourist-oriented businesses, and scoreboards used in sporting events or other electronic signs with changeable messages which are not prohibited by federal regulations or local zoning ordinances. Outdoor advertising which is authorized by this subdivision (5) shall only be allowed to the extent that such outdoor advertising is not prohibited by Title 23, United 30 States Code, Section 131, as now or thereafter amended, and lawful regulations promulgated thereunder. The general assembly finds and declares it to be the 32policy of the state of Missouri that the tourism industry is of major and critical 33 importance to the economic well-being of the state and that directional signs, 34 displays and devices providing directional information about goods and services in the interest of the traveling public are essential to the economic welfare of the 36 tourism industry. The general assembly further finds and declares that the 38 removal of directional signs advertising tourist-oriented businesses is harmful to the tourism industry in Missouri and that the removal of directional signs within 40 or near areas of the state where there is high concentration of tourist-oriented businesses would have a particularly harmful effect upon the economies within such areas. The state highways and transportation commission is authorized and directed to determine those specific areas of the state of Missouri in which there is high concentration of tourist-oriented businesses, and within such areas, no directional signs, displays and devices which are lawfully erected, which are maintained in good repair, which provide directional information about goods and 46 services in the interest of the traveling public, and which would otherwise be required to be removed because they are not allowed to be maintained under the provisions of sections 226.500 through 226.600 shall be required to be removed until such time as such removal has been finally ordered by the United States Secretary of Transportation;
- 52 (6) The provisions of this section shall not be construed to require removal of signs advertising churches or items of religious significance, items of native 53

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arts and crafts, woodworking in native products, or native items of artistic,
historical, geologic significance, or hospitals or airports.

227.410. [The portion of U.S. Highway 160 in Greene County from the intersection of Farm Road 142 to the intersection of West Sunshine Street shall be designated the "Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel Memorial Highway".] The portion of U.S. Highway 160 in Greene County from the intersection of West Mount Vernon Street to one-half mile south of the intersection of West Sunshine Street shall be designated the "Rabbi Ernest I. Jacob Memorial Highway". The department of transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such highway, with the costs for such designation to be paid for by private donation.

227.424. The portion of Interstate 40/64 in St. Louis County from the Boone's Crossing overpass at mile marker 17.0 west to the Spirit of St. Louis Airport overpass at mile marker 13.8 shall be designated as the "Missouri State Highway Patrol Sergeant Joseph G. Schuengel Memorial Highway". The department of transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs designating such highway, with the costs to be paid for by private donations.

227.425. 1. The portion of Interstate 70 from the eastern city limits of Independence west to the Kansas state line shall be designated the "Truman/Eisenhower Presidential Highway", with signs erected at both ends of the designated highway. At a later point in time, two signs designating such highway may be placed at the intersection of Interstate 70 and Interstate 435, and two signs may be placed at the intersection of Interstate 70 and Interstate 29/35. All appropriate signage shall be paid for, prior to installation, by private donations.

2. The naming of the Truman/Eisenhower Presidential Highway under this section shall be contingent upon the designation by the state of Kansas of the portion of Interstate 70 in Kansas from the Missouri state line west to Abilene, Kansas, as the "Eisenhower/Truman Presidential Highway".

227.429. The portion of Highway 25 from US Route 412 to Route
U/Route Z in Dunklin and Stoddard counties shall be designated the
"Representative Otto Bean Memorial Highway". The department of
transportation shall erect and maintain appropriate signs designating
such highway, with the cost to be paid for by private donations.

227.430. The portion of Missouri Highway 30 from State Route

- 2 NN north three miles to one tenth of a mile southwest of old Missouri
- 3 30 in Jefferson County shall be designated the "SFC Wm. Brian Woods,
- 4 Jr. Memorial Highway". The department of transportation shall erect
- 5 and maintain appropriate signs designating such highway, with the
- 6 cost to be paid for by private donations.

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