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1	OUTDOOR ADVERTISING AMENDMENTS		
2	2011 GENERAL SESSION		
3	STATE OF UTAH		
4	Chief Sponsor: Michael E. Noel		
5	Senate Sponsor: Wayne L. Niederhauser		
6 7	LONG TITLE		
8	General Description:		
9	This bill modifies the Transportation Code by amending provisions relating to outdoor		
10	advertising.		
11	Highlighted Provisions:		
12	This bill:		
13	<ul><li>provides and amends definitions;</li></ul>		
14	<ul> <li>enacts restrictions and requirements for an advertising structure that is on the</li> </ul>		
15	premise of a public assembly facility;		
16	► Ĥ→ [specifies requirements for a changeable message sign face on a public assembly		
17	facility;] provides that an illumination standard adopted by any jurisdiction shall be uniformly		
17a	applied to all signs, public or private, on or off premise; ←Ĥ		
18	► increases the amount that the Department of Transportation is entitled to recover in		
19	certain circumstances for unlawful outdoor advertising;		
20	<ul><li>specifies the criteria that shall be used for determining whether a sign has as its</li></ul>		
21	purpose unlawful off premise outdoor advertising;		
22	<ul><li>provides that the sign owner has the burden of proving, by a preponderance of the</li></ul>		
23	evidence, that the advertised activity is conducted on the premises; and		
24	<ul><li>makes technical changes.</li></ul>		
25	Money Appropriated in this Bill:		
26	None		
27	Other Special Clauses:		



90	[8] (7) "Highway service zone" means a highway service area where the primary use	
91	of the land is used or reserved for commercial and roadside services other than outdoor	
92	advertising to serve the traveling public.	
93	[(9)] (8) "Information center" means an area or site established and maintained at rest	
94	areas for the purpose of informing the public of:	
95	(a) places of interest within the state; or	
96	(b) any other information that the department considers desirable.	
97	[(10)] (9) "Interchange or intersection" means those areas and their approaches where	
98	traffic is channeled off or onto an interstate route, excluding the deceleration lanes, acceleration	
99	lanes, or feeder systems, from or to another federal, state, county, city, or other route.	
100	[(11)] (10) "Maintain" means to allow to exist, subject to the provisions of this chapter.	
101	$[(12)]$ (11) "Maintenance" means to repair, refurbish, repaint, $\$ \rightarrow [\$ \rightarrow \underline{\text{remodel, utilize in}}]$	
101a	conformance with this part, $\leftarrow$ \$ or otherwise keep an	
102	existing sign structure safe and in a state suitable for use, including signs destroyed by	
103	vandalism or an act of God.	
104	[(13)] (12) "Main-traveled way" means the through traffic lanes, including auxiliary	
105	lanes, acceleration lanes, deceleration lanes, and feeder systems, exclusive of frontage roads	
106	and ramps. For a divided highway, there is a separate main-traveled way for the traffic in each	
107	direction.	
108	(13) "Major sponsor" means a sponsor of a public assembly facility or of a team or	
109	event held at the facility where the amount paid by the sponsor to the owner of the facility, to	
110	the team, or for the event is at least \$100,000 per year.	
111	(14) "Official signs and notices" means signs and notices erected and maintained by	
112	public agencies within their territorial or zoning jurisdictions for the purpose of carrying out	
113	official duties or responsibilities in accordance with direction or authorization contained in	
114	federal, state, or local law.	
115	(15) "Off-premise signs" means signs located in areas zoned industrial, commercial, or	
116	H-1 and in areas determined by the department to be unzoned industrial or commercial that	
117	advertise an activity, service, event, person, or product located on premises other than the	
118	premises at which the advertising occurs.	
119	(16) "On-premise signs" means signs used to advertise the major activities conducted	
120	on the property where the sign is located.	

121	(17) "Outdoor advertising" means any outdoor advertising structure or outdoor		
122	structure used in combination with an outdoor advertising sign or outdoor sign within the		
123	outdoor advertising corridor which is visible from a place on the main-traveled way of a		
124	controlled route.		
125	(18) "Outdoor advertising corridor" means a strip of land 350 feet wide, measured		
126	perpendicular from the edge of a controlled highway right-of-way.		
127	(19) "Outdoor advertising structure" or "outdoor structure" means any sign structure,		
128	including any necessary devices, supports, appurtenances, and lighting that is part of or		
129	supports an outdoor sign.		
130	(20) "Point of widening" means the point of the gore or the point where the intersecting		
131	lane begins to parallel the other lanes of traffic, but the point of widening may never be greater		
132	than 2,640 feet from the center line of the intersecting highway of the interchange or		
133	intersection at grade.		
134	(21) "Public assembly facility" means a convention facility as defined under Section		
135	59-12-602 and that:		
136	(a) includes all contiguous interests in land, improvements, and utilities acquired,		
137	constructed, and used in connection with the operation of the public assembly facility, whether		
138	the interests are owned or held in fee title or a lease or easement for a term of at least 40 years,		
139	and regardless of whether the interests are owned or operated by separate governmental		
140	authorities or districts;		
141	[(a)] (b) is wholly or partially funded by public money; [and]		
142	[(b)] (c) requires a person attending an event at the public assembly facility to purchase		
143	a ticket or that otherwise charges for the use of the public assembly facility as part of its regular		
144	operation[ <del>-</del> ]; and		
145	(d) has a minimum and permanent seating capacity of at least $\hat{H} \rightarrow [12,000]$ [10,000]		
145a	people.		
146	(22) "Public assembly facility sign" means a sign located on a public assembly facility		
147	that only advertises the public assembly facility, major sponsors, events, the sponsors of events		
148	held or teams playing at the facility, and products sold or services conducted at the facility.		
149	[(22)] (23) "Relocation" includes the removal of a sign from one situs together with the		
150	erection of a new sign upon another situs in a commercial or industrial zoned area as a		
151	substitute.		

214	(5) A public assembly facility is exempt from the requirement under this part to have a
215	state outdoor advertising permit.
216	Section 3. Section <b>72-7-505</b> is amended to read:
217	72-7-505. Sign size Sign spacing Location in outdoor advertising corridor
218	Limit on implementation.
219	(1) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (2), a sign face within the state may not exceed
220	the following limits:
221	(i) maximum area - 1,000 square feet;
222	(ii) maximum length - 60 feet; and
223	(iii) maximum height - 25 feet.
224	(b) No more than two facings visible and readable from the same direction on the
225	main-traveled way may be erected on any one sign structure. Whenever two facings are so
226	positioned, neither shall exceed the maximum allowed square footage.
227	(c) Two or more advertising messages on a sign face and double-faced, back-to-back,
228	stacked, side-by-side, and V-type signs are permitted as a single sign or structure if both faces
229	enjoy common ownership.
230	(d) A changeable message sign is permitted if the interval between message changes is
231	not more frequent than at least eight seconds and the actual message rotation process is
232	accomplished in three seconds or less.
233	Ĥ→ [(e) The illumination of an electronic changeable message sign may not be limited,
234	except to prevent an electronic sign face from increasing ambient lighting levels by more than
235	0.3 footcandles when measured:
236	(i) perpendicular to the sign face; and
237	(ii) at a distance in feet calculated by taking the square root of the product of the
238	following:
239	(A) the area of the electronic sign face measured in square feet; and
<b>240</b> 240a	(a) An illumination standard adapted by any jurisdiction shall be uniformly applied to
240a 240b	(e) An illumination standard adopted by any jurisdiction shall be uniformly applied to all signs, public or private, on or off premise. ←Ĥ
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	(2) (a) An outdoor sign structure located inside the unincorporated area of a
242	nonurbanized county may have the maximum height allowed by the county for outdoor
243	advertising structures in the commercial or industrial zone in which the sign is located. If no
244	maximum height is provided for the location, the maximum sign height may be 65 feet above

307	(d) the sign for which a permit was issued is not in a reasonable state of repair, is		
308	unsafe, or is otherwise in violation of this part.		
309	(2) The establishment, operation, repair, maintenance, or alteration of any sign contra		
310	to this chapter is also a public nuisance.		
311	(3) Except as provided in Subsection (4), in its enforcement of this section, the		
312	department shall comply with the procedures and requirements of Title 63G, Chapter 4,		
313	Administrative Procedures Act.		
314	(4) (a) The district courts shall have jurisdiction to review by trial de novo all final		
315	orders of the department under this part resulting from formal and informal adjudicative		
316	proceedings.		
317	(b) Venue for judicial review of final orders of the department shall be in the county in		
318	which the sign is located.		
319	(5) If the department is granted a judgment, the department is entitled to have any		
320	nuisance abated and recover from the responsible person, firm, or corporation, jointly and		
321	severally:		
322	(a) the costs and expenses incurred in removing the sign; and		
323	(b) [\$100] (i) \$500 for each day the sign was maintained following the expiration of 10		
324	days after notice of agency action was filed and served under Section 63G-4-201[-];		
325	(ii) \$750 for each day the sign was maintained following the expiration of 40 days after		
326	notice of agency action was filed and served under Section 63G-4-201;		
327	(iii) \$1,000 for each day the sign was maintained following the expiration of 70 days		
328	after notice of agency action was filed and served under Section 63G-4-201; and		
329	(iv) \$1,500 for each day the sign was maintained following the expiration of 100 days		
330	after notice of agency action was filed and served under Section 63G-4-201.		
331	(6) (a) Any person, partnership, firm, or corporation who vandalizes, damages, defaces		
332	destroys, or uses any sign controlled under this chapter without the owner's permission is liable		
333	to the owner of the sign for treble the amount of damage sustained and all costs of court,		
334	including a reasonable attorney's fee, and is guilty of a class C misdemeanor.		
335	(b) This Subsection (6) does not apply to the department, its agents, or employees if		
336	acting to enforce this part.		
337	(7) The following criteria shall be used for determining whether an existing sign		
337a	Ĥ→ within an interstate outdoor advertising corridor ←Ĥ has as		