

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 358

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to outdoor advertising; amending 69 O.S. 2001, Section 1271, which relates to legislative intent; stating intent; requiring Department of Transportation to prohibit outdoor advertising in certain areas; requiring Department to regulate outdoor advertising in accordance with certain act; and declaring an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 69 O.S. 2001, Section 1271, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1271. For the purpose of promoting the public safety, health, welfare, convenience and enjoyment of public travel, to protect the public investment in public highways, and to preserve and enhance the scenic beauty of lands bordering public highways, while recognizing that outdoor advertising is a legitimate use of private property, it is hereby declared to be in the ~~public~~ best interest of the citizens of this state to control the size, number, spacing, lighting, type and location of outdoor advertising devices, as hereinafter defined, in all areas within six hundred sixty (660) feet from the edge of the right-of-way of interstate and federal-aid primary highways located within urban areas, as hereinafter defined, in the State of Oklahoma and in all areas visible from the main traveled way of interstate and federal-aid primary highways located outside of urban areas in the State of Oklahoma. The ~~Oklahoma~~ Department of Transportation shall have the authority to implement and enforce this act, and ~~may~~ shall prohibit outdoor advertising devices in the control areas, and ~~may~~ shall regulate and permit

certain outdoor advertising structures and devices in the control areas, ~~within the limitations of this act and according to the standards and definitions set forth in~~ provisions of this act.

SECTION 2. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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