314.17 Mowing on interstates and primary highways.

On or after January 1, 2003, the department shall not mow roadside vegetation on the rights-of-way or medians on any primary or interstate highway. Mowing shall be permitted as follows:

- 1. On rights-of-way which include drainage ditch areas.
- 2. On rights-of-way within three miles of the corporate limits of a city.
- 3. To promote native species of vegetation or other long-lived and adaptable vegetation.
- 4. For establishing control of damaging insect populations, noxious weeds, and invader plant species.
 - 5. For visibility and safety reasons.
 - 98 Acts, ch 1212, §7