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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the location of advertising devices within the adjacent area of a primary highway.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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Section 1. Section 306C.10, subsection 19, Code 2007, is 2 amended to read as follows:

"Unzoned commercial or industrial area" means those 19. 4 areas not zoned by state or local law, regulation, or 5 ordinance, which are occupied by one or more commercial or 6 industrial activities, and the land along the interstate 7 highways and primary highways for a distance of seven hundred 8 fifty nine hundred feet immediately adjacent to the 9 activities. All measurements shall be from the outer edge of 1 10 the regularly used buildings, parking lots, storage, or 1 11 processing areas of the activities and shall be parallel to 1 12 the edge of pavement of the highway. Measurements shall not 1 13 be from the property line of the activities unless that 1 14 property line coincides with the limits of the activities. 1 15 Unzoned commercial or industrial areas shall not include land 1 16 on the opposite side of the highway from the commercial or 1 17 industrial activities.

1 18 Sec. 2. Section 306C.13, subsection 3, Code 2007, is 1 19 amended to read as follows:

3. Advertising devices located within the adjacent area of 21 primary highways shall not be erected or maintained closer to 22 another advertising device facing in the same direction than 1 23 three hundred two hundred seventy=five feet if outside the 1 24 corporate limits of a municipality. No advertising device, 1 25 other than those excepted or permitted by subsections 4, 5, or 1 26 6 of this section, shall be located within the triangular area 1 27 formed by a line connecting two points each one hundred feet 28 back from the point where the street right=of=way lines of the 29 main=traveled way and the intersecting street meet, or would 1 30 meet, if extended.

EXPLANATION

This bill eases restrictions on the erection of outdoor 1 33 advertising devices within the adjacent area of a primary 34 highway. Current law permits the erection of advertising 35 devices within an unzoned commercial and industrial area, 1 which is defined as an area not zoned by state or local law 2 that is occupied by one or more commercial or industrial 3 activities, and the land along the highway for a distance of 4 750 feet immediately adjacent to such activities. The bill 5 amends that definition to include the land along the highway 6 for a distance of 900 feet from a commercial or industrial 7 activity. The bill also decreases the minimum required 8 distance between advertising devices facing in the same 9 direction from 300 feet to 275 feet if located in an 10 unincorporated area.

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