

85TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 10055

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 16, 1958

Mr. FOGARTY introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Public Works

A BILL

To provide for the control of certain advertising on federally owned or controlled lands adjacent to the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways, and to encourage such control on other lands adjacent to such National System.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*

2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 That, in order to promote a national policy for the protection

4 of scenic beauty and safety of travel on the National System

5 of Interstate and Defense Highways, the Secretary of Com-

6 merce, is directed to prepare, publish, and disseminate a set

7 of recommended standards for implementation of such a

8 policy through the control of signs in areas within five

9 hundred feet of the rights-of-way comprising this system,

1 as provided in this Act with respect to federally owned or
2 controlled lands and by action of the States with respect
3 to nonfederally owned or controlled lands. The national
4 policy standards so recommended shall limit signs in such
5 areas to—

6 (1) signs necessary for highway directional informa-
7 tion and official notices;

8 (2) signs indicating the availability for sale or
9 lease of the property on which they are located; and

10 (3) signs located in commercial areas adjacent to
11 and accessible from such highways and advertising a
12 business conducted on premises in the commercial areas.

13 SEC. 2. For the purposes of this Act the term "sign"
14 shall mean a billboard, a sign, or any other similar public
15 advertising.

16 SEC. 3. With respect to federally owned or controlled
17 lands, the Secretary of Commerce shall carry out this national
18 policy by regulations applying his recommended standards,
19 promulgated after consultation with the heads of the Federal
20 departments and agencies having jurisdiction over lands
21 affected thereby.

22 SEC. 4. To promote this national policy by action of
23 the States with respect to lands not federally owned or
24 controlled, the right to control signs in areas within five
25 hundred feet of the rights-of-way of the National System of

1 Interstate and Defense Highways, in accordance with the
 2 standards prepared under the first section of this Act, shall,
 3 under the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1956, be considered
 4 an interest in land which may be acquired for right-of-way
 5 or other purposes in connection with a project for the con-
 6 struction, reconstruction, or improvement of any section of
 7 the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways.

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BY MR. FORAN

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