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HOUSE BILL NO. 1744

91ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES ABEL, OSTMANN, FRASER, FRANKLIN (Co-sponsors),
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AN ACT

To amend chapter 226, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to a moratorium on new billboard construction, with an emergency clause.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 226, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 226.595, to read as follows:

**226.595. 1. Notwithstanding any other provisions of sections 226.500 to 226.600 to
2 the contrary, after the effective date of this section, no new outdoor advertising shall be
3 erected adjacent to interstate and federal-aid primary highways, and all highways
4 designated as part of the national highway system; except that, the outdoor advertising
5 described in subdivisions (1) and (2) of section 226.520 and sections 226.525, 226.535, and
6 226.545 may be erected after the effective date of this section and local zoning authorities
7 may permit the erection of new outdoor advertising after the effective date of this section
8 provided the outdoor advertising does not exceed one hundred square feet in size.**

**9 2. Outdoor advertising legally erected prior to the effective date of this section are
10 declared nonconforming but may be maintained according to this chapter and any
11 administrative rules promulgated by the commission.**

**12 3. The provisions of this section shall not create any new obligation for the
13 expenditure of state funds.**

14 4. The provisions of this section shall expire on January 1, 2008.

Section B. Because aesthetic highways and right-of-ways are important to Missouri
2 citizens, section A of this act is deemed necessary for the immediate preservation of the public

3 health, welfare, peace, and safety, and is hereby declared to be an emergency act within the
4 meaning of the constitution, and section A of this act shall be in full force and effect upon its
5 passage and approval.