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2017 Wisconsin Act 37 [2017 Assembly Bill 170]

Advertising on Bus Shelters on State Trunk Highways

Current law prohibits placing advertising signs within a highway right-of-way unless an exception applies. 2017 Wisconsin Act 37 creates an additional exception to this general prohibition. The Act provides that the Department of Transportation (DOT) must allow any sign to be placed on a bus shelter on a state trunk highway provided the sign does not impair the highway or impede vehicular traffic on the highway and any applicable federal regulations are followed. Under the Act, "bus shelter" is defined as a shelter or bench located at a transit stop for use by passengers of public transportation systems owned or operated by governmental units or public authorities that was placed in accordance with s. 86.07 (2), Stats., applicable rules promulgated by DOT, and any applicable federal regulations.

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