

No. 2005-35

AN ACT

SB 721

Amending Title 74 (Transportation) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, designating a portion of State Route 6 in Wyoming County as a scenic byway; and designating a certain portion of State Route 92 in Susquehanna County as a scenic byway.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. Title 74 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding sections to read:

§ 8305. Designation of State Route 6 as scenic byway.

(a) General rule.—Because designation of the three miles between the interchange with Business Route 6 on the west side of Tunkhannock Borough to the Business Route 6 interchange in Tunkhannock Township on the east side of the borough will preserve magnificent views and will educate residents and future residents of the importance of promoting the cultural and archeological area around Tunkhannock Borough, State Route 6 in Wyoming County from the interchange with Business Route 6 on the west side of Tunkhannock Borough to the Business Route 6 interchange in Tunkhannock Township on the east side of the borough is designated as a scenic byway.

(b) Effect of designation.—No outdoor advertising device as defined in section 3 of the act of December 15, 1971 (P.L.596, No.160), known as the Outdoor Advertising Control Act of 1971, may be erected:

(1) within 660 feet of the nearest edge of the right-of-way; or

(2) more than 660 feet from the nearest edge of the right-of-way, outside of urban areas, if the sign is visible from the main-traveled way of the scenic byway and the purpose of the sign is that its message be read from the main-traveled way of the scenic byway, except:

(i) the official signs and notices which are required or authorized by law and which conform to the national standards promulgated by the Secretary of Transportation of the United States pursuant to 23 U.S.C. § 131 (relating to control of outdoor advertising);

(ii) outdoor advertising devices advertising the sale or lease of the real property upon which they are located;

(iii) outdoor advertising devices advertising activities conducted on the property on which they are located, including devices which display a message that may be changed at reasonable intervals by electronic process or remote control;

(iv) directional signs, including, but not limited to, signs pertaining to natural wonders, scenic and historical attractions and other points of interest to the traveling public which conform to the

national standards promulgated by the Secretary of Transportation of the United States pursuant to 23 U.S.C. § 131; and

(v) signs approved by the department designating the route as a scenic byway installed in accordance with department requirements.

§ 8306. Designation of State Route 92 in Susquehanna County as scenic byway.

(a) General rule.—Because of its outstanding scenic, historic, natural, recreational and archeological characteristics and qualities and because of opportunities for economic development and tourism and for conservation of the outstanding qualities along the road, State Route 92 in Susquehanna County from Lenox Township Segment No. 0130/0904 continuing to Jackson Township border Segment No. 0460/2408, and further continuing from the Susquehanna Borough Segment No. 0510/0747 and continuing to Oakland Borough Segment No. 0540/1702, is hereby designated as a scenic byway.

(b) Effect of designation.—No outdoor advertising device as defined in section 3 of the act of December 15, 1971 (P.L.596, No.160), known as the Outdoor Advertising Control Act of 1971, may be erected:

(1) within 660 feet of the nearest edge of the right-of-way; or

(2) more than 660 feet from the nearest edge of the right-of-way, outside of urban areas, if the sign is visible from the main-traveled way of the scenic byway and the purpose of the sign is that its message be read from the main-traveled way of the scenic byway, except:

(i) the official signs and notices which are required or authorized by law and which conform to the national standards promulgated by the Secretary of Transportation of the United States pursuant to 23 U.S.C. § 131 (relating to control of outdoor advertising);

(ii) outdoor advertising devices advertising the sale or lease of the real property upon which they are located;

(iii) outdoor advertising devices advertising activities conducted on the property on which they are located, including devices which display a message that may be changed at reasonable intervals by electronic process or remote control;

(iv) directional signs, including, but not limited to, signs pertaining to natural wonders, scenic and historical attractions and other points of interest to the traveling public which conform to the national standards promulgated by the Secretary of Transportation of the United States pursuant to 23 U.S.C. § 131; and

(v) signs approved by the department designating the route as a scenic byway installed in accordance with department requirements.

(c) Public use maps.—All public use maps produced by the department for travel, tourism and business interests shall give special identification of this route and briefly summarize that the General Assembly established the designation because of the outstanding scenic, historic, natural, recreational and archeological characteristics and outstanding qualities

and opportunities for economic development, tourism and conservation of the sights along the route.

Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.

APPROVED—The 5th day of July, A.D. 2005.

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