

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 688 Session of 2009

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MARCH 3, 2009

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, MARCH 3, 2009

AN ACT

1 Amending Title 74 (Transportation) of the Pennsylvania  
2 Consolidated Statutes, in scenic highways, providing for the  
3 designation of a portion of U.S. Route 202 in Chester County  
4 and a portion of the Pennsylvania Turnpike as a scenic byway.

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

7 Section 1. Title 74 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated  
8 Statutes is amended by adding a section to read:

9 § 8307. Designation of portions of U.S. 202 and the

10 Pennsylvania Turnpike as scenic byways.

11 (a) General rule.--Because of their outstanding scenic,

12 historic, recreational, cultural and archeological

13 characteristics, the portion of U.S. Route 202 in eastern

14 Chester County from the West Chester bypass at Matlack Street to

15 Route 422, and the portion of the Pennsylvania Turnpike from

16 Route 29 to the Valley Forge interchange are designated as

17 scenic byways.

1     (b) Effect of designation.--No outdoor advertising device,  
2 as defined in section 3 of the act of December 15, 1971 (P.L.  
3 596, No.160), known as the Outdoor Advertising Control Act of  
4 1971, may be erected if the sign is visible from the main-  
5 traveled way of the scenic byway and the purpose of the sign is  
6 that its message be read from the main-traveled way of the  
7 scenic byway, except:

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

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

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

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

26     Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.