

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from Art. 89B, §§ 254 and 260.

It should be noted that §8-743 of this subtitle, which relates to advertising along Expressways, expressly prohibits payment of compensation for signs erected after July 1, 1975. The reason for the absence of a similar provision in this section is unclear. The General Assembly may wish to consider conforming the two provisions.

As to the removal of signs in violation of this part, see Part VI of this subtitle.

8-736. LOCAL ZONING REGULATIONS.

(A) POWER TO REGULATE BY LOCAL ZONING.

THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OF THIS STATE HAVE FULL AUTHORITY, UNDER THEIR RESPECTIVE ZONING POWERS:

(1) TO ZONE AREAS FOR COMMERCIAL OR INDUSTRIAL PURPOSES; AND

(2) IN THESE AREAS, TO GOVERN THE SIZE, SPACING, AND LIGHTING OF OUTDOOR SIGNS.

(B) EFFECT OF LOCAL ZONING.

NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF THIS PART OR ANY RULE OR REGULATION OF THE ADMINISTRATION:

(1) LOCAL ZONING REGULATIONS THAT RELATE TO OUTDOOR SIGNS IN COMMERCIAL OR INDUSTRIAL AREAS SHALL GOVERN WITHIN THE ZONED AREA; AND

(2) IF A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION ADOPTS COMPREHENSIVE ZONING THAT INCLUDES THE REGULATION OF OUTDOOR SIGNS:

(I) THE ADMINISTRATION MAY SO CERTIFY TO THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATOR; AND

(II) ON CERTIFICATION, THE CONTROL OF OUTDOOR SIGNS IN COMMERCIAL OR INDUSTRIAL AREAS TRANSFERS TO THE POLITICAL SUBDIVISION.

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8-737. RESERVED.

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