

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2015 and 2016 SB3103

Introduced 2/19/2016, by Sen. Martin A. Sandoval

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

70 ILCS 3615/3B.09c new

Amends the Regional Transportation Authority Act. Provides that restrictions pertaining to the number, placement, and maintenance of advertising structures or off-premises advertising signs on commuter rail properties are not applicable to a transportation agency or the Commuter Rail Division as long as each commercial advertising structure or sign: (1) is placed on or adjacent to railroad property platforms intended for commuter passenger viewing; (2) is limited to a maximum size of 70 square feet for each advertising surface created by the advertising structure; (3) complies with any applicable local electrical code, if electrified; (4) is approved by a resolution of the Commuter Rail Board; and (5) complies with any applicable State or federal railroad safety requirements. Further provides that if a written request is received by a unit of local government to restrict the number of advertising structures or signs, the number of structures or signs shall be limited to 3 per each side of the railroad right of way adjacent to platforms. Limits home rule powers.

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HOME RULE NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

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1 AN ACT concerning local government.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Regional Transportation Authority Act is amended by adding Section 3B.09c as follows:

6 (70 ILCS 3615/3B.09c new)

Sec. 3B.09c. Advertising on commuter rail properties. Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, restrictions pertaining to the number, placement, and maintenance of advertising structures or off-premise advertising signs on commuter rail properties are not applicable to a transportation agency or the Commuter Rail Division as long as each commercial advertising structure or sign: (1) is placed on or adjacent to railroad property platforms intended for commuter passenger viewing; (2) is limited to a maximum size of 70 square feet for each advertising surface created by the advertising structure; (3) complies with any applicable local electrical code, if electrified; (4) is approved by a resolution of the Commuter Rail Board; and (5) complies with any applicable State or federal railroad safety requirements. If a written request is received by a unit of local government to restrict the number of advertising structures or signs, the number of structures or

1 signs shall be limited to 3 per each side of the railroad right
2 of way adjacent to platforms.

A home rule unit may not regulate the number, placement, and maintenance of advertising structures or off-premises advertising signs on commuter rail properties in a manner inconsistent with this Section. This Section is a limitation under subsection (i) of Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution on the concurrent exercise by home rule units of powers and functions exercised by the State.