

Assembly Bill No. 2559

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Chief Clerk of the Assembly

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Secretary of the Senate

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Private Secretary of the Governor

CHAPTER _____

An act to add Section 101.16 to the Streets and Highways Code, relating to highways.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2559, Frazier. Visitor centers: guide signs.

Existing law requires the Department of Transportation to adopt rules and regulations that allow the placement, near exits on freeways located in rural areas, of information signs identifying specific roadside businesses that offer fuel, food, lodging, camping services, approved 24-hour pharmacy services, or approved attractions, and that prescribe the standards for those signs. Existing law also authorizes the department, among other things, to place and maintain, or cause to be placed and maintained, signs on state highways directing motorists to communities within the geographical boundaries of a city, county, or city and county if specified conditions are satisfied.

This bill would require the department to authorize guide signs for any visitor center seeking a sign if the visitor center is located within 2 miles from the highway intersection. The bill would require the department to establish and charge the visitor center a fee to fully offset the department's cost to place and maintain the sign.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 101.16 is added to the Streets and Highways Code, to read:

101.16. (a) Notwithstanding Section 21401 of the Vehicle Code, the department shall authorize a guide sign for a visitor center seeking a sign if the visitor center is located within two miles from the highway intersection.

(b) The department shall establish and charge a visitor center seeking a sign under this section a fee to fully offset the department's cost to place and maintain the sign.

Approved _____, 2016

Governor