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## LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA

## ONE HUNDRED FIFTH LEGISLATURE

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## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 472**

FINAL READING

Introduced by Bostelman, 23.

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Committee: Transportation and Telecommunications

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to highways; to amend section 39-220, Revised

Statutes Supplement, 2017; to change provisions relating to permits

for advertisements along the Highway Beautification Control System;

to eliminate a fee; to change provisions relating to the Department

of Transportation's authority to make rules and regulations

concerning signs along highways; and to repeal the original section.

7 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 39-220, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2017, is

2 amended to read:

3 39-220 The Department of Transportation may at its discretion 4 require permits for advertising signs, displays, or devices which are 5 placed or allowed to exist along or upon the Highway Beautification Control System any interstate or primary highway or which are at any 6 7 point visible from the main-traveled way of the Highway Beautification Control System, except for on-premise signs, displays, and devices, as 8 defined in the department's rules and regulations, for advertising 9 10 activities conducted on the property on which the sign, display, or device is located signs located within an area of fifty feet of any 11 commercial or industrial building on the premises. Such permits shall be 12 13 renewed biennially. Each sign shall bear on the side facing the highway 14 the permit number in a readily observable place for inspection purposes 15 from the highway right-of-way. The department is authorized to charge a 16 fee to be not less than twenty-five cents or not to exceed fifteen 17 dollars for each permit and renewal permit for each individual sign. The department shall adopt and promulgate rules and regulations to implement 18 19 and administer establishing, and from time to time adjusting, the annual fees for the permits to cover the costs of administering sections 39-212 20 21 to 39-226 and may by rule and regulation provide exceptions from the 22 payment of fees for signs advertising eleemosynary or nonprofit public 23 service activities, signs designating historical sites, and farm and 24 ranch directional signs. The department may revoke the permit for 25 noncompliance reasons and remove the sign if, after thirty days' notification to the sign owner, the sign remains in noncompliance. 26 Printed sale bills not exceeding two hundred sixteen square inches in 27 size shall not require a permit if otherwise conforming. 28

Sec. 2. Original section 39-220, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2017, 30 is repealed.