DRAFTER'S NOTE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

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ATTN: Tom Jackson

The attached draft is identical to AB–870, as affected by the amendment LRBa2418/1, with a revised analysis.

In accordance with the drafting instructions, I have drafted s. 85.195 (2) (b) 4., although I do not believe there is any provision in existing law that would prohibit a person from advertising on a business sign under s. 86.195 and on a directional sign under s. 84.30.

It is my understanding that DOT personnel have advised that s. 84.30 (3) (am), as created by this bill, is substantially in compliance with federal law and would not impact federal highway funding. While s. 84.30 (3) (am) is not consistent with 23 USC 131 (c) (1), I am uncertain to what extent the federal secretary of transportation has revised the requirements for directional signs under authority of 23 USC 131 (q). I suggest that you obtain an opinion from either the DOT Office of General Counsel or the Federal Highway Administration as to whether s. 84.30 (3) (am) complies with federal law.

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