

HOUSE BILL 156

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 7, Part 3; Title 39, Chapter 14, Part 5; Section 41-2-123; Title 54; Title 57, Chapter 5, Part 2 and Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 4, relative to litter.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 54, Chapter 1, Part 4, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) There is established a two-year pilot program to address chronic littering on state highways. The pilot program is to begin July 1, 2021, and continue through June 30, 2023.

(b) The department shall establish a litter enforcement corridor, where the department is to remove litter, or contract with the local government for the jurisdiction within which each state highway segment specified in subdivisions (b)(1) and (b)(2) is located for the removal of litter, from the state highway system at least once per month, for each of the following state highway segments:

(1) State route 265 (Old Hickory Boulevard) from its intersection with state route 24 (Lebanon Pike) to its intersection with Central Pike, within the jurisdiction of Davidson County; and

(2) State route 265 (Central Pike) from its intersection with Old Hickory Boulevard to the Davidson County – Wilson County border, within the jurisdiction of Davidson County.

(c) The local government for the jurisdiction within which each state highway segment specified in subsection (b) is located shall set aside five percent (5%) of the

amount of any grant such local government receives for the purpose of litter removal under § 57-5-201(a)(2) and § 67-4-402(b)(2). The funds set aside pursuant to this subsection (c) must be used to reimburse the department for the cost of the litter collection pilot program required by this section.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.