

SENATE BILL 951
By Miller J

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 54, Chapter 5, Part 13, relative to the tourist-oriented directional signs (TODS) program.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 54, Chapter 5, Part 13, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

Section 54-5-13___. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of law, rule or regulation to the contrary, when there are two (2) or more competing applications for inclusion on a particular TODS sign assembly, the business with the greatest eligibility distance shall receive preference for placement on such particular TODS sign assembly over the business(es) with a shorter eligibility distance(s), provided that the competing applications otherwise equally qualify for participation in the TODS program and the business with the greatest eligibility distance meets all other requirements for participation in the TODS program.

(b) Once the TODS sign of a business has been installed on a particular TODS sign assembly, such business shall not be preempted from such TODS sign assembly by the application and qualification of a business with a shorter eligibility distance.

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

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