

Subject Pedestrian mall authority for all cities

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Overview

This bill authorizes all cities to designate lands for pedestrian malls on city right-of-way. Current law authorizes cities of the first class to designate a pedestrian mall in a central business district.

Summary

Section	Description
1	Location and establishment; limitations. Prohibits the county state-aid highway system from including a segment of a county highway that is designated as a pedestrian mall.
2	Location and establishment; limitations. Prohibits the municipal state-aid street system from including a segment of a city street that is designated as a pedestrian mall.
3	Definitions. Creates a definitions section in chapter 430. Defines the terms “city,” “city council,” and “system of streets, parks, and parkways.”
4	Streets; parks; and parkways. Applies the provision to all cities and relocates language repealed in section 12 of the bill.
5	Parking lots; pedestrian malls and uses. Applies the provision to all cities and authorizes a city council to designate a pedestrian mall on any property within city right-of-way.

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6	Legislative findings. Broadens the legislative findings provision related to pedestrian malls to apply to all cities and removes language referencing central business districts, which is where pedestrian malls may be located under current law.
7	Statement of policy. Applies the provision to all cities and removes language referencing central business districts, which is where pedestrian malls may be located under current law.
8	Pedestrian mall ordinances authorized. Authorizes a city council to, by ordinance, designate a pedestrian mall on any property within city right-of-way that is not a part of a highway and is improved to its maximum width for roadway and sidewalk purposes. Central business district location and traffic congestion requirements are stricken. Allows a pedestrian mall to be located on highway property if the commissioner of transportation approves. Allows a pedestrian mall to be located on a county road if the county approves and the city collaborates with all relevant state and local governments in the pedestrian mall planning process.
9	When clerk to mail notice in condemnation proceeding. Applies the provision to all cities.
10	Limitation of actions. Applies the provision to all cities.
11	Bonded debt. Removes language limiting application of chapter 430 to cities of the first class. Also removes a definition of “city council,” which is provided in the new definitions section in section 3 of the bill.
12	Repealer. Repeals a definition subdivision that also included a substantive requirement. The definition language is moved to section 3 of the bill with other defined terms. The substantive requirement related to a concurrent resolution is moved to a more appropriate location in chapter 430 in section 4 of the bill.



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