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### **POLICY**

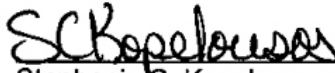
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337.26, 337.401, 341.301,  
341.302 and 341.303, Florida Statutes

### **SOUTH FLORIDA RAIL CORRIDOR CLEARANCE**

Grade-separated highway or pedestrian crossings or any other structure over the South Florida Rail Corridor shall be designed and constructed in such a manner that provides for an opening for the passage of tracks or fixed guideways that is at least 24 feet 3 inches high, measured from the top of the highest existing rail or proposed rail for the entire required clearspan distance and of sufficient width to clearspan the ultimate build-out track configuration reflected in the Track Master Plan at all points along that portion of the corridor that lies between Milepost SX 964.9 at West Palm Beach and end-of-line at Miami Intermodal Center at or near NW 21st Street, Milepost SX 1037.5. Also, a clearance of at least 24 feet 3 inches is to be provided from Milepost SX 1036.74 to Milepost SX 1040.08 on the Homestead Branch. This vertical clearance is for new construction, provides for eventual installation of 25kV catenary, allows for up to 1 foot of track raise, and is based on the American Railway Engineering and Maintenance of Way Association recommended load gauge of 21 feet.

More particularly, any proposed structure over the South Florida Rail Corridor shall be designed and constructed so as to provide a horizontal clearspan of a minimum of 100 feet but not less than twenty-five (25) feet from the center line of the outermost existing or proposed tracks according to the Track Master Plan at all locations in the South Florida Rail Corridor.

  
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