

CHAPTER 97-251

House Bill No. 1623

An act relating to enterprise zones; amending s. 290.0055, F.S.; authorizing certain charter counties to apply to enlarge the boundary lines of an enterprise zone within the county under certain conditions; providing for approval of the application under certain conditions; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (7) is added to section 290.0055, Florida Statutes, 1996 Supplement, to read:

290.0055 Local nominating procedure.—

(7) Before June 30, 1998, the governing body of any county operating under home rule charter adopted pursuant to s. 10, s. 11, or s. 24, Art. VIII of the Constitution of 1885, as preserved by s. 6(e), Art. VIII of the Constitution of 1968, with a population of at least 2 million persons, may apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to amend the boundary lines of an enterprise zone within the county for the purpose of increasing by no more than 80 acres the noncontiguous area of the enterprise zone located closest to the path where the center of the August 24, 1992, storm known as Hurricane Andrew crossed land. The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development shall approve an application made pursuant to this subsection if it is consistent with the categories, criteria, and limitations imposed by this section upon the establishment of such enterprise zone.

Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.

Became a law without the Governor's approval May 30, 1997.

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