

Senate Bill No. 1794

An act relating to enterprise zones; amending s. 290.0065, F.S.; authorizing certain additional counties to apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to amend the boundaries of certain enterprise zones or communities for certain purposes; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Subsection (9) of section 290.0065, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

290.0065 State designation of enterprise zones.—

(9)(a) Before December 31, ~~2002~~ 1998, the governing body of a county in which an enterprise zone designated pursuant to paragraph (5)(b) is located may apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to amend the boundaries of the enterprise zone for the purpose of replacing areas not suitable for development.

(b) Before December 31, 2002, the governing body of a county in which an enterprise zone designated pursuant to subparagraph (3)(a)2. is located may apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to amend the boundaries of the enterprise zone for the purpose of replacing areas not suitable for development.

The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development shall approve the application if it does not increase the overall size of the enterprise zone. Except that upon the request of the governing body of a home rule charter county, or any county the government of which has been consolidated with the government of one or more municipalities in accordance with s. 9, Art. VIII of the State Constitution of 1885, as preserved by s. 6(e), Art. VIII of the State Constitution as revised in 1968 and subsequently amended, the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development may amend the boundaries of an area designated as an enterprise zone upon the receipt of a resolution adopted by such governing body describing the amended boundaries, so long as the added area does not increase the overall size of the expanded zone more than its original size or 20 square miles, whichever is larger, and is consistent with the categories, criteria, and limitations imposed by s. 290.0055.

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

Approved by the Governor May 1, 2002.

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