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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to community development  
3           corporations; amending ss. 290.0301, 290.0311,  
4           290.032, 290.033, 290.034, 290.035, 290.036,  
5           290.0365, 290.037, 290.038, 290.039, 290.0395,  
6           F.S.; providing for future repeal of those  
7           sections; revising criteria for the award of  
8           administrative grants; requiring the Secretary  
9           of the Department of Community Affairs to  
10          develop a funding distribution formula to  
11          ensure that administrative grants are made  
12          available throughout the state; providing an  
13          effective date.

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

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17           Section 1. Section 290.0301, Florida Statutes, is  
18 amended to read:  
19           290.0301 Short title.--Sections 290.0311 through  
20 290.0395 shall be known and may be cited as the "Community  
21 Development Corporation Support and Assistance Program Act."  
22 This section shall stand repealed on June 30, 2008 ~~1998~~.

23           Section 2. Subsection (11) of section 290.0311,  
24 Florida Statutes, is amended to read:  
25           290.0311 Legislative findings.--The Legislature finds  
26 that:

27           (11) This section shall stand repealed on June 30,  
28 2008 ~~1998~~.

29           Section 3. Section 290.032, Florida Statutes, is  
30 amended to read:

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1           290.032 Policy and purpose.--It is the policy of this  
2 state to provide the necessary means to preserve and improve  
3 the health and vitality of its established communities by  
4 enabling them to restore and expand their commercial and  
5 industrial base and to reverse the deterioration of their  
6 residential and public-facility assets. The purpose of this  
7 act is to assist community development corporations in  
8 undertaking projects, in concert with state and local  
9 government and private enterprise, designed to create and  
10 maintain a sound industrial base, to revitalize the health of  
11 established commercial areas, to promote employment  
12 opportunities, to preserve and rehabilitate existing  
13 residential neighborhoods, and to provide safe, decent,  
14 affordable housing for residents of these areas. The  
15 Legislature, therefore, declares that the development,  
16 redevelopment, preservation, restoration, and revitalization  
17 of such communities and all the purposes of this act are  
18 public purposes for which public money may be used. This  
19 section shall stand repealed on June 30, 2008 ~~1998~~.

20           Section 4. Subsection (9) of section 290.033, Florida  
21 Statutes, is amended to read:

22           290.033 Definitions.--As used in this act, the term:

23           (9) This section shall stand repealed on June 30, 2008  
24 ~~1998~~.

25           Section 5. Subsection (3) of section 290.034, Florida  
26 Statutes, is amended to read:

27           290.034 Operating Trust Fund; priority of use.--

28           (3) This section shall stand repealed on June 30, 2008  
29 ~~1998~~.

30           Section 6. Subsection (3) of section 290.035, Florida  
31 Statutes, is amended to read:

1           290.035 Eligibility for assistance.--Community  
2 development corporations meeting the following requirements  
3 shall be eligible for assistance:

4           (3) This section shall stand repealed on June 30, 2008  
5 ~~1998~~.

6           Section 7. Present subsection (7) of section 290.036,  
7 Florida Statutes, is redesignated as subsection (11) and  
8 amended, and new subsections (7), (8), (9), and (10) are  
9 added to that section, to read:

10           290.036 Community development corporation support  
11 program.--

12           (7) Beginning June 1, 1998, administrative grants will  
13 be available only to those qualified community development  
14 corporations that expend at least 50 percent of their budget  
15 on economic development activities. Economic development  
16 activities include, but are not limited to, the acquisition,  
17 construction, reconstruction, and rehabilitation of commercial  
18 buildings, structures, and other property and equipment and  
19 improvements. Economic development activities also include  
20 assistance to private businesses, including loans, loan  
21 guarantees, and technical assistance. However, economic  
22 development does not include housing development, as defined  
23 in s. 159.603(4).

24           (8) The secretary shall develop a funding distribution  
25 formula that ensures that administrative grants are made  
26 available to qualified community development corporations  
27 throughout the state. The funding distribution formula must  
28 include the relative rankings of each county, using the latest  
29 available U.S. Census information on unemployment and persons  
30 below poverty.

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1           (9) The secretary may waive the eligibility  
2 requirements specified in s. 290.035(1)(a-e), for a community  
3 development corporation located in a county with a population  
4 of at least 500,000, if no other community development  
5 corporation in that county has received an administrative  
6 grant.

7           (10) Any funds for administrative grants appropriated  
8 by the Legislature in excess of \$800,000 will not be subject  
9 to s. 290.036(7) and (8).

10           (11)(7) This section shall stand repealed on June 30,  
11 2008 ~~1998~~.

12           Section 8. Section 290.0365, Florida Statutes, is  
13 amended to read:

14           290.0365 Community development corporation planning  
15 grants.--In any state fiscal year in which a competitive  
16 scoring cycle is not conducted pursuant to s. 290.036(4), the  
17 secretary may reserve up to 10 percent of the annual  
18 appropriation for administrative grants for distribution to  
19 community development corporations which have not received an  
20 administrative support grant at any time during the previous  
21 history of the program. Grants awarded under this section  
22 shall be for planning and organizational purposes and shall be  
23 awarded according to the selection process specified in s.  
24 290.036. No community development corporation shall be  
25 awarded more than two planning grants. Community development  
26 corporations receiving funds under this section shall submit  
27 the information required by s. 290.036(2) and shall be subject  
28 to all applicable requirements of ss. 290.035, 290.036,  
29 290.037, 290.038, and 290.039, as determined by the secretary.  
30 This section shall stand repealed on June 30, 2008 ~~1998~~.

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1 Section 9. Subsection (8) of section 290.037, Florida  
2 Statutes, is amended to read:

3 290.037 Community development deferred payment loan  
4 program.--

5 (8) This section shall stand repealed on June 30, 2008  
6 ~~1998~~.

7 Section 10. Subsection (3) of section 290.038, Florida  
8 Statutes, is amended to read:

9 290.038 Authority and duties of the department.--

10 (3) This section shall stand repealed on June 30, 2008  
11 ~~1998~~.

12 Section 11. Subsection (3) of section 290.039, Florida  
13 Statutes, is amended to read:

14 290.039 Reporting requirements.--

15 (3) This section shall stand repealed on June 30, 2008  
16 ~~1998~~.

17 Section 12. Section 290.0395, Florida Statutes, is  
18 repealed.

19 Section 13. This act shall take effect upon becoming a  
20 law.

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23 SENATE SUMMARY

24 Provides for the future repeal of ss. 290.0301-290.0395,  
25 F.S., the "Community Development Corporation Support and  
26 Assistance Program Act." Directs the Secretary of the  
27 Department of Community Affairs to develop a funding  
28 formula to ensure that administrative grants are made  
29 available throughout the state. Revises criteria for the  
30 award of administrative grants.  
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