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The Committee on Governmental Rules & Regulations offered the following:

**Amendment (with title amendment)**

On page 3 between lines 5 and 6, of the bill

insert:

Section 3. Subsection (2)(e) of section 212.097, Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, is amended to read:

Section 212.097 Urban High-Crime Area Job Tax Credit Program.--

(2) As used in this section, the term:

(e) "Qualified high-crime area" means an area selected by the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development in the following manner: every third year, the office shall rank and tier those areas nominated under subsection (8), according to the following prioritized criteria:

1. Highest arrest rates within the geographic area for violent crime and for such other crimes as drug sale, drug possession, prostitution, vandalism, and civil disturbances;

2. Highest reported crime volume and rate of specific

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1 property crimes such as business and residential burglary,  
2 motor vehicle theft, and vandalism;

3 3. Highest percentage of reported index crimes that  
4 are violent in nature;

5 4. Highest overall index crime volume for the area;  
6 and

7 5. Highest overall index crime rate for the geographic  
8 area.

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10 Tier-one areas are ranked 1 through 5 and represent the  
11 highest crime areas according to this ranking. Tier-two areas  
12 are ranked 6 through 10 according to this ranking. Tier-three  
13 areas are ranked 11 through 15. Notwithstanding this  
14 definition, "qualified high-crime area" also means an area  
15 that has been designated as a federal Empowerment Zone  
16 pursuant to the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997. Such a  
17 designated area shall be ranked in tier-three until the areas  
18 are re-evaluated by Office of Tourism, Trade and Economic  
19 Development.

20 Section 4. Subsection (2)(c) of section 212.098,  
21 Florida Statutes, 1998 Supplement, is amended to read:

22 Section 212.098 Rural Job Tax Credit Program.--

23 (2) As used in this section, the term:

24 (c) "Qualified county" means a county that has a  
25 population of fewer than 75,000 persons, or any county that  
26 has a population of 100,000 or less and is contiguous to a  
27 county that has a population of less than 75,000, selected in  
28 the following manner: every third year, the Office of  
29 Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development shall rank and tier  
30 the state's counties according to the following four factors:

31 1. Highest unemployment rate for the most recent

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1 36-month period.

2 2. Lowest per capita income for the most recent  
3 36-month period.

4 3. Highest percentage of residents whose incomes are  
5 below the poverty level, based upon the most recent data  
6 available.

7 4. Average weekly manufacturing wage, based upon the  
8 most recent data available.

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10 Tier-one qualified counties are those ranked 1 through 5 and  
11 represent the state's least-developed counties according to  
12 this ranking. Tier-two qualified counties are those ranked 6  
13 through 10, and tier-three counties are those ranked 11  
14 through ~~17~~15. Notwithstanding this definition "qualified  
15 county" also means a county that contains an area that has  
16 been designated as a federal Enterprise Community pursuant to  
17 the 1999 Agricultural Appropriations Act. Such a designated  
18 area shall be ranked in tier-three until the areas are  
19 re-evaluated by Office of Tourism, Trade and Economic  
20 Development.

21 Section 5. Subsection (5) of section 290.0065, Florida  
22 Statutes, 1998 Supplement, is amended, and subsection (12) of  
23 said section is created to read:

24 Section 290.0065 State Designation of Enterprise  
25 Zones.--

26 (5) Notwithstanding s. 290.0055, an area designated as  
27 a federal empowerment zone or enterprise community pursuant to  
28 Title XIII of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of  
29 1993, the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 or the 1999 Agricultural  
30 Appropriations Act shall be designated a state enterprise zone  
31 as follows:

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1           (a) An area designated as an urban empowerment zone or  
2 urban enterprise community pursuant to Title XIII of the  
3 Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 or the Taxpayer  
4 Relief Act of 1997 shall be designated a state enterprise zone  
5 by the department upon completion of the requirements set out  
6 in paragraph (d), except in the case of a county as defined in  
7 s. 125.011(1) which, notwithstanding s. 290.0055, may  
8 incorporate and include such designated urban empowerment zone  
9 or urban enterprise community areas within the boundaries of  
10 its state enterprise zones without any limitation as to size.

11           (b) An area designated as a rural empowerment zone or  
12 rural enterprise community pursuant to Title XIII of the  
13 Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 or the 1999  
14 Agricultural Appropriations Act shall be designated a state  
15 enterprise zone by the department upon completion of the  
16 requirements set out in paragraph (d).

17           (c) Any county or municipality having jurisdiction  
18 over an area designated as a state enterprise zone pursuant to  
19 this subsection, other than a county defined in s. 125.011(1),  
20 may not apply for designation of another area.

21           (d) Prior to designating such areas as state  
22 enterprise zones, the department shall ensure that the  
23 governing body having jurisdiction over the zone submits the  
24 strategic plan required pursuant to 7 C.F.R. part 25 or 24  
25 C.F.R. part 597 to the department, and creates an enterprise  
26 zone development agency pursuant to s. 290.0056.

27           (e) The department shall place any area designated as  
28 a state enterprise zone pursuant to this subsection in the  
29 appropriate category established in subsection (3), and  
30 include such designations within the limitations on state  
31 enterprise zone designations set out in subsection (1).

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1           (12) Before December 31, 1999, any county as defined  
2 in section 125.011(1) may create a satellite enterprise zone  
3 not exceeding three square miles in area outside of and  
4 notwithstanding anything contained in section 290.0055(4) or  
5 elsewhere, in addition to the previously-designated 20 square  
6 miles of enterprise zones. The Office of Tourism, Trade and  
7 Economic Development shall amend the boundaries of the areas  
8 previously designated by any such county as enterprise zones  
9 upon the receipt of a resolution adopted by such governing  
10 body describing the satellite enterprise zone so long as the  
11 additional area is consistent with the categories, criteria,  
12 and limitations imposed by section 290.0055, provided that the  
13 20 square mile limitation and the requirements imposed by  
14 section 290.0055(4)(d) shall not apply to such satellite  
15 enterprise zone.

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19 And the title is amended as follows:

20           On page 1, line 11,  
21 after the semicolon:

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23 insert:

24           amending s. 212.097, F.S.; defining as  
25           a "qualified high-crime area" areas receiving  
26           1999 federal empowerment zone designation;  
27           amending 212.098, F.S.; defining as a  
28           "qualified county" a county that contains an  
29           area receiving 1999 enterprise community  
30           designation; amending s. 290.0065, F.S.;

31           designating areas receiving 1999 federal

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empowerment zone or rural enterprise community  
designations as state enterprise zones and  
authorizing satellite enterprise zone;