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A bill to be entitled
An act relating to rural areas of critical economic concern; creating s. 288.06562, F.S.; providing a definition; authorizing insurance carriers to issue a premium credit on workers' compensation premiums for employers who own an existing business or open a new business in such an area; providing an effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 288.06562, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

288.06562 Rural areas of critical economic concern; economic incentive.--

(1) As used in this section, the term "rural area of critical economic concern" means an area designated as a rural area of critical economic concern by executive order of the Governor pursuant to s. 288.0656(7).

(2) A premium credit of 15 percent may be issued by an insurance carrier writing workers' compensation insurance in this state on workers' compensation premiums for those employers who own an existing business or open a new business in a rural area of critical economic concern on or after July 1, 2000.

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

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LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

Authorizes insurance carriers to issue a 15 percent premium credit on workers' compensation premiums for employers who own an existing business or open a new business in a rural area of critical economic concern.