By the Committee on Community Affairs and Representative Chestnut

A bill to be entitled 1 2 An act relating to enterprise zones; amending 3 s. 290.0065, F.S.; providing for a change in the boundaries of an enterprise zone; providing 4 5 limitations; amending ss. 290.00691 and 290.00692, F.S.; exempting certain enterprise 6 7 zones in Columbia County and Suwannee County 8 from a requirement that certain areas suffer 9 from pervasive poverty, unemployment, and general distress; providing that businesses 10 11 located in such enterprise zones may claim certain tax credits for hiring persons within 12 13 the jurisdictions of the counties; revising qualifications for businesses in such zones to 14 claim certain maximum tax exemptions or 15 credits; creating ss. 290.00694, 290.00695, 16 290.00696, and 290.00697, F.S.; authorizing the 17 Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic 18 19 Development to designate enterprise zones in 20 Sarasota County or Sarasota County and the City 21 of Sarasota, Hernando County or Hernando County and the City of Brooksville, Calhoun County, 22 and Holmes County; providing requirements with 23 respect to such enterprise zones; authorizing 24 certain cities to apply for expansion of 25 26 certain enterprise zone boundaries; providing 27 requirements; providing an effective date. 28 29 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida: 30

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Section 1. Subsection (12) is added to section 1 2 290.0065, Florida Statutes, to read: 3 290.0065 State designation of enterprise zones.--4 (12) Before June 1, 2001, the governing body of a 5 municipality that is located within a county having a 6 population of less than 200,000 and in which an enterprise 7 zone designated under subparagraph (3)(a)2., is located may 8 apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic 9 Development to change the boundaries of the enterprise zone. The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development shall 10 11 approve the application if the boundary change does not 12 increase the overall size of the enterprise zone and any 13 territory added to the enterprise zone as a result of the 14 boundary change is contiguous to the remaining area of the 15 existing enterprise zone. Section 2. Section 290.00691, Florida Statutes, is 16 17 amended to read: 290.00691 Enterprise zone designation for Columbia 18 19 County or Columbia County and Lake City .--20 (1) Columbia County, or Columbia County and the 21 municipality of Lake City jointly, may apply to the Office of 22 Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development for designation of one enterprise zone encompassing an area within the county, or 23 within both the county and the municipality. In identifying 24 25 the area to be nominated for designation as an enterprise 26 zone, Columbia County, or Columbia County and the municipality 27 of Lake City jointly, shall seek to maximize the strategic 28 economic development advantages resulting from the 29 intersection of Interstate 75 and Interstate 10 within Columbia County. The application must be submitted by December 30

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   population category, the Office of Tourism, Trade, and
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   Economic Development may designate one enterprise zone under
   this section. The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic
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   Development shall establish the initial effective date of the
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   enterprise zone designated pursuant to this section.
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          (2) Notwithstanding the enterprise zone residency
   requirements set out in ss. 212.096(1)(c) and 220.03(1)(q),
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   businesses located in an enterprise zone designated pursuant
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   to this section may receive the credit provided under s.
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   212.096 or s. 220.181 for hiring any person within the
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   jurisdiction of the county within which such enterprise zone
   is located. All other provisions of ss. 212.096, 220.03(1)(q),
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   and 220.181 apply to such businesses. Notwithstanding the
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   requirement specified in ss. 212.08(5)(g)5., (h)5., and
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   business' employees, excluding temporary and part-time
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   pursuant to this section shall be qualified for those maximum
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    220.182 apply to such business.
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290.00692 Enterprise zone designation for Suwannee County or Suwannee County and Live Oak.--

- (1) Suwannee County, or Suwannee County and the municipality of Live Oak jointly, may apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development for designation of one enterprise zone encompassing an area within the county, or within both the county and the municipality. In identifying the area to be nominated for designation as an enterprise zone, Suwannee County, or Suwannee County and the municipality of Live Oak jointly, shall seek to maximize the strategic economic development advantages resulting from the intersection of Interstate 75 and Interstate 10. The application must be submitted by December 31, 1999, and must comply with the requirements of s. 290.0055 except paragraph (4)(d). Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 290.0065 limiting the total number of enterprise zones designated and the number of enterprise zones within a population category, the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development may designate one enterprise zone under this section. The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development shall establish the initial effective date of the enterprise zone designated pursuant to this section.
- (2) Notwithstanding the enterprise zone residency requirements set out in ss. 212.096(1)(c) and 220.03(1)(q), businesses located in an enterprise zone designated pursuant to this section may receive the credit provided under s. 212.096 or s. 220.181 for hiring any person within the jurisdiction of the county within which such enterprise zone is located. All other provisions of ss. 212.096, 220.03(1)(q), and 220.181 apply to such businesses. Notwithstanding the requirement specified in ss. 212.08(5)(g)5., (h)5., and

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           Section 4. Sections 290.00694, 290.00695, 290.00696,
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   and 290.00697, Florida Statutes, are created to read:
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           290.00694 Enterprise zone designation for Sarasota
   County or Sarasota County and Sarasota. -- Sarasota County, or
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   Sarasota County and the City of Sarasota jointly, may apply to
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   designation of one enterprise zone within the county, or
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   within both the county and the municipality, which zone
   encompasses an area that is south of the north county line,
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   west of Tuttle Avenue, north of 10th Street, and east of U.S.
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effective date of the enterprise zone designated under this 2 section. 290.00695 Enterprise zone designation for Hernando 3 4 County or Hernando County and Brooksville. -- Hernando County, 5 or Hernando County and the City of Brooksville jointly, may 6 apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic 7 Development for designation of one enterprise zone within the 8 county, or within both the county and the municipality, which 9 zone encompasses an area starting north of the City of Brooksville with properties within the Gregg Mine Industrial 10 Park; those lands located on the east side of Cobb Road south 11 12 of Yontz Road to the intersection of Jefferson Street and 13 State Road 50; lands adjacent to the State Road 50 Bypass east 14 to the intersection of Jefferson Street and State Road 50 in the southeast area of the City of Brooksville; those lands 15 16 encompassing the areas north and south of Summit Road from <u>Hale Avenue to the we</u>st, east to Jefferson Street; lands 17 adjacent to U.S. Highway 41 from the State Road 50 Bypass 18 19 south to the proposed Ayers Road Extension; those lands 20 encompassing the Hernando County Airport east of U.S. Highway 41 west to the Suncoast Parkway with Spring Hill Drive and 21 22 Powell Road to the north including portions along Spring Hill Drive east and west of the intersection with California 23 24 Street; and those lands adjacent to Anderson Snow Road and Corporate Boulevard known as Holland Springs Industrial Park. 25 26 The application must be submitted by December 31, 2000, and 27 must comply with the requirements of s. 290.0055. 28 Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 290.0065 limiting the total number of enterprise zones designated and the number of 29 enterprise zones within a population category, the Office of 30 Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development may designate one

enterprise zone under this section. The Office of Tourism, 1 2 Trade, and Economic Development shall establish the initial 3 effective date of the enterprise zone designated under this 4 section. 5 290.00696 Enterprise zone designation for Calhoun 6 County. -- Calhoun County may apply to the Office of Tourism, 7 Trade, and Economic Development for designation of one 8 enterprise zone within an area in Calhoun County. The 9 application must be submitted by December 31, 2000, and must comply with the requirements of s. 290.0055 except subsection 10 (3). Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 290.0065 limiting 11 12 the total number of enterprise zones designated and the number 13 of enterprise zones within a population category, the Office 14 of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development may designate one enterprise zone under this section. The Office of Tourism, 15 16 Trade, and Economic Development shall establish the initial effective date of the enterprise zone designated pursuant to 17 18 this section. 19 290.00697 Enterprise zone designation for Holmes 20 County .-- Holmes County may apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development for designation of one 21 22 enterprise zone within an area in Holmes County. The application must be submitted by December 31, 2000, and must 23 comply with the requirements of s. 290.0055. Notwithstanding 24 the provisions of s. 290.0065 limiting the total number of 25 26 enterprise zones designated and the number of enterprise zones within a population category, the Office of Tourism, Trade, 27 28 and Economic Development may designate one enterprise zone under this section. The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic 29 Development shall establish the initial effective date of the 30

enterprise zone designated pursuant to this section.

Section 5. A city with a population of 65,000 which has an eastern seaboard beachfront and a mainland with an economically depressed area with a population of 45,000 and has a foremost historically black college within that economically depressed area, may apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to expand the boundaries of the enterprise zone in such area may to include the following area: lands bounded by Nova Road; Mason Avenue from Nova Road to Ridgewood; Ridgewood to Shady Place; and Shady Place to Nova Road. The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development shall approve the application if such area suffers from pervasive poverty, unemployment, and general distress as provided in s. 290.0058. Section 6. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.