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A bill to be entitled  
An act relating to enterprise zones; amending  
s. 290.00698, F.S.; authorizing the Office of  
Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to  
approve a request to amend the boundaries of  
the enterprise zone designated for Okaloosa  
County; providing limitations; providing an  
effective date.

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

Section 1. Section 290.00698, Florida Statutes, is  
amended to read:

290.00698 Enterprise zone designation for Okaloosa  
County.--

(1) Okaloosa County may apply to the Office of  
Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development for designation of  
one enterprise zone within an area in Okaloosa County, which  
zone encompasses an area up to 6 square miles. The  
application must be submitted by December 31, 2001, and must  
comply with the requirements of s. 290.0055, except subsection  
(3) thereof. 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 any other provision of law, the  
Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development may approve

1 a request by Okaloosa County to amend the boundaries of the  
2 area designated as an enterprise zone under this section if  
3 the amendment does not increase the overall size of the  
4 enterprise zone by more than 1 square mile. The amendment must  
5 also be consistent with the limitations imposed by s.  
6 290.0055. Such request must be submitted to the office before  
7 December 31, 2003.

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

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12 SENATE SUMMARY

13 Authorizes the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic  
14 Development to approve a request to amend the boundaries  
15 of the Okaloosa County Enterprise Zone if the amendment  
does not increase the size of the zone by more than 1  
square mile and is submitted before December 31, 2003.