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Senators Atwater and Klein moved the following amendment:

**Senate Amendment**

On page 19, line 8, through page 20, line 28, delete those lines

and insert:

Section 3. Subsections (3), (7), and (15) of section 403.973, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

403.973 Expedited permitting; comprehensive plan amendments.--

(3)(a) The Governor, through the office, shall direct the creation of regional permit action teams, for the purpose of expediting review of permit applications and local comprehensive plan amendments submitted by:

- 1. Businesses creating at least 100 jobs, or
- 2. Businesses creating at least 50 jobs if the project is located in an enterprise zone, or in a county having a population of less than 75,000 or in a county having a population of less than 100,000 which is contiguous to a county having a population of less than 75,000, as determined

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1 by the most recent decennial census, residing in incorporated  
2 and unincorporated areas of the county, or

3 (b) On a case-by-case basis and at the request of a  
4 county or municipal government, the office may certify as  
5 eligible for expedited review a project not meeting the  
6 minimum job creation thresholds but creating a minimum of 10  
7 jobs. The recommendation from the governing body of the county  
8 or municipality in which the project may be located is  
9 required in order for the office to certify that any project  
10 is eligible for expedited review under this paragraph. When  
11 considering projects that do not meet the minimum job creation  
12 thresholds but that are recommended by the governing body in  
13 which the project may be located, the office shall consider  
14 economic impact factors that include, but are not limited to:

15 1. The proposed wage and skill levels relative to  
16 those existing in the area in which the project may be  
17 located;

18 2. The project's potential to diversify and strengthen  
19 the area's economy;

20 3. The amount of capital investment; and

21 4. The number of jobs that will be made available for  
22 persons served by the welfare transition program.

23 (c) At the request of a county or municipal  
24 government, the office or a Quick Permitting County may  
25 certify projects located in counties where the ratio of new  
26 jobs per participant in the welfare transition program, as  
27 determined by Workforce Florida, Inc., is less than one or  
28 otherwise critical, as eligible for the expedited permitting  
29 process. Such projects must meet the numerical job creation  
30 criteria of this subsection, but the jobs created by the  
31 project do not have to be high-wage jobs that diversify the

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1 state's economy.

2 (d) Projects located in a designated brownfield area  
3 are eligible for the expedited permitting process.

4 (e) Projects that are part of the state-of-the-art  
5 biomedical research institution and campus to be established  
6 in this state by the grantee under s. 288.955 are eligible for  
7 the expedited permitting process, if the projects are  
8 designated as part of the institution or campus by the board  
9 of county commissioners of the county in which the institution  
10 and campus are established.

11 (7) The local government shall hold a duly noticed  
12 public hearing to execute a memorandum of agreement for each  
13 qualified project. Notwithstanding any other provision of law,  
14 and at the option of the local government, the workshop  
15 provided for in subsection (6) may be conducted on the same  
16 date as the public hearing held under this subsection. The  
17 memorandum of agreement that a local government signs shall  
18 include a provision identifying necessary local government  
19 procedures and time limits that will be modified to allow for  
20 the local government decision on the project within 90 days.  
21 The memorandum of agreement applies to projects, on a  
22 case-by-case basis, that qualify for special review and  
23 approval as specified in this section. The memorandum of  
24 agreement must make it clear that this expedited permitting  
25 and review process does not modify, qualify, or otherwise  
26 alter existing local government nonprocedural standards for  
27 permit applications, unless expressly authorized by law.

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