

CHAMBER ACTION

1 The Commerce Council recommends the following:

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3 **Council/Committee Substitute**

4 Remove the entire bill and insert:

5 A bill to be entitled

6 An act relating to enterprise zones; creating s.  
7 290.00710, F.S.; authorizing the City of Lakeland to apply  
8 to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development  
9 to designate an enterprise zone; providing requirements;  
10 requiring the office to establish the initial effective  
11 date of the enterprise zone; creating s. 290.0073, F.S.;  
12 authorizing Indian River County, the City of Vero Beach,  
13 and the City of Sebastian to jointly apply to the Office  
14 of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development for  
15 designation of an enterprise zone in Indian River County;  
16 providing requirements; requiring the office to establish  
17 the initial effective date of the enterprise zone;  
18 creating s. 290.0074, F.S.; authorizing Sumter County to  
19 apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic  
20 Development for designation of an enterprise zone;  
21 providing requirements; requiring the office to establish  
22 the initial effective date of the enterprise zone;  
23 creating s. 290.0075, F.S.; authorizing Columbia County or

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24 Columbia County and Lake City jointly to apply to the  
 25 Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to  
 26 designate an enterprise zone; providing requirements;  
 27 requiring the office to establish the initial effective  
 28 date of the enterprise zone; creating s. 290.0076, F.S.;  
 29 authorizing Suwannee County or Suwannee County and Live  
 30 Oak jointly to apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and  
 31 Economic Development to designate an enterprise zone;  
 32 providing requirements; requiring the office to establish  
 33 the initial effective date of the enterprise zone;  
 34 creating s. 290.0077, F.S.; authorizing Orange County and  
 35 the municipality of Apopka to jointly apply to the Office  
 36 of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development for  
 37 designation of an enterprise zone; providing requirements;  
 38 requiring the office to establish the initial effective  
 39 date of the enterprise zone; requiring the Office of  
 40 Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability to  
 41 conduct a study of rural enterprise zone issues; requiring  
 42 a report to the Legislature; providing an effective date.

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

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46 Section 1. Section 290.00710, Florida Statutes, is created  
 47 to read:

48 290.00710 Enterprise zone designation for the City of  
 49 Lakeland.--The City of Lakeland may apply to the Office of  
 50 Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development for designation of one  
 51 enterprise zone for an area within the City of Lakeland, which

52 zone shall encompass an area up to 10 square miles. The  
 53 application must be submitted by December 31, 2005, and must  
 54 comply with the requirements of s. 290.0055. Notwithstanding the  
 55 provisions of s. 290.0065 limiting the total number of  
 56 enterprise zones designated and the number of enterprise zones  
 57 within a population category, the Office of Tourism, Trade, and  
 58 Economic Development may designate one enterprise zone under  
 59 this section. The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic  
 60 Development shall establish the initial effective date of the  
 61 enterprise zone designated pursuant to this section.

62 Section 2. Section 290.0073, Florida Statutes, is created  
 63 to read:

64 290.0073 Enterprise zone designation for Indian River  
 65 County, the City of Vero Beach, and the City of  
 66 Sebastian.--Indian River County, the City of Vero Beach, and the  
 67 City of Sebastian may jointly apply to the Office of Tourism,  
 68 Trade, and Economic Development for designation of one  
 69 enterprise zone encompassing an area not to exceed 10 square  
 70 miles. The application must be submitted by December 31, 2005,  
 71 and must comply with the requirements of s. 290.0055.  
 72 Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 290.0065 limiting the total  
 73 number of enterprise zones designated and the number of  
 74 enterprise zones within a population category, the Office of  
 75 Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development may designate one  
 76 enterprise zone under this section. The Office of Tourism,  
 77 Trade, and Economic Development shall establish the initial  
 78 effective date of the enterprise zone designated pursuant to  
 79 this section.

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80 Section 3. Section 290.0074, Florida Statutes, is created  
81 to read:

82 290.0074 Enterprise zone designation for Sumter  
83 County.--Sumter County may apply to the Office of Tourism,  
84 Trade, and Economic Development for designation of one  
85 enterprise zone encompassing an area not to exceed 10 square  
86 miles. The application must be submitted by December 31, 2005.  
87 Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 290.0065 limiting the total  
88 number of enterprise zones designated and the number of  
89 enterprise zones within a population category, the Office of  
90 Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development may designate one  
91 enterprise zone under this section. The Office of Tourism,  
92 Trade, and Economic Development shall establish the initial  
93 effective date of the enterprise zone designated pursuant to  
94 this section.

95 Section 4. Section 290.0075, Florida Statutes, is created  
96 to read:

97 290.0075 Enterprise zone designation for Columbia County  
98 or Columbia County and Lake City.--Columbia County, or Columbia  
99 County and the municipality of Lake City jointly, may apply to  
100 the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development for  
101 designation of one enterprise zone encompassing an area within  
102 the county or within both the county and the municipality. The  
103 application must be submitted by December 31, 2005.  
104 Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 290.0065 limiting the total  
105 number of enterprise zones designated and the number of  
106 enterprise zones within a population category, the Office of  
107 Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development may designate one

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108 enterprise zone under this section. The Office of Tourism,  
 109 Trade, and Economic Development shall establish the initial  
 110 effective date of the enterprise zone designated pursuant to  
 111 this section.

112 Section 5. Section 290.0076, Florida Statutes, is created  
 113 to read:

114 290.0076 Enterprise zone designation for Suwannee County  
 115 or Suwannee County and Live Oak.--Suwannee County, or Suwannee  
 116 County and the municipality of Live Oak jointly, may apply to  
 117 the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development for  
 118 designation of one enterprise zone encompassing an area within  
 119 the county or within both the county and the municipality. The  
 120 application must be submitted by December 31, 2005.

121 Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 290.0065 limiting the total  
 122 number of enterprise zones designated and the number of  
 123 enterprise zones within a population category, the Office of  
 124 Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development may designate one  
 125 enterprise zone under this section. The Office of Tourism,  
 126 Trade, and Economic Development shall establish the initial  
 127 effective date of the enterprise zone designated pursuant to  
 128 this section.

129 Section 6. Section 290.0077, Florida Statutes, is created  
 130 to read:

131 290.0077 Enterprise zone designation for Orange County and  
 132 the municipality of Apopka.--Orange County and the municipality  
 133 of Apopka may jointly apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and  
 134 Economic Development for designation of one enterprise zone. The  
 135 application must be submitted by December 31, 2005, and must

136 comply with the requirements of s. 290.0055. Notwithstanding the  
 137 provisions of s. 290.0065 limiting the total number of  
 138 enterprise zones designated and the number of enterprise zones  
 139 within a population category, the Office of Tourism, Trade, and  
 140 Economic Development may designate one enterprise zone under  
 141 this section. The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic  
 142 Development shall establish the initial effective date of the  
 143 enterprise zone designated pursuant to this section.

144       Section 7. The Office of Program Policy Analysis and  
 145 Government Accountability shall conduct an evaluation of the tax  
 146 incentives available to rural enterprise zones and the  
 147 effectiveness of rural enterprise zones in creating jobs. In  
 148 particular, the evaluation must consider whether existing tax  
 149 and other financial incentives available under the Enterprise  
 150 Zone Act are appropriate for businesses located in rural  
 151 enterprise zones and whether incentives such as the transfer of  
 152 unused tax credits would enhance the effectiveness of rural  
 153 enterprise zones. The evaluation shall include an estimation of  
 154 the costs of new tax incentives. The evaluation shall also  
 155 identify obstacles faced by rural enterprise zones and recommend  
 156 possible solutions. The Office of Program Policy Analysis and  
 157 Government Accountability shall conduct its evaluation and make  
 158 a report containing its findings and recommendations to the  
 159 Legislature by December 1, 2005.

160       Section 8. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005.