

By Senator Dockery

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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to enterprise zones; creating s. 290.00710, F.S.; authorizing the City of Lakeland to apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development for designation of an enterprise zone; providing requirements; requiring the office to establish an effective date for the designated enterprise zone; providing an effective date.

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

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

290.00710 Enterprise zone designation for the City of Lakeland.--The City of Lakeland may apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development for designation of one enterprise zone for an area within the City of Lakeland, which zone shall encompass an area up to 10 square miles. The application must be submitted by December 31, 2005, and must comply with the requirements of s. 290.0055. Notwithstanding 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.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005.

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SENATE SUMMARY

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