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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;  
creating s. 290.0073, F.S.; authorizing Indian  
River County, the City of Vero Beach, and the  
City of Sebastian to jointly apply to the  
Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic  
Development for designation of an enterprise  
zone in Indian River County; providing  
requirements with respect thereto; requiring  
the office to establish the initial effective  
date of the enterprise zone; creating s.  
290.0074, F.S.; authorizing Sumter County 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;  
creating s. 290.00755, F.S.; authorizing  
Columbia County or Columbia County and the  
municipality of Lake City to apply jointly to  
the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic  
Development to designate an enterprise zone;  
providing requirements; requiring the office to  
establish an effective date of the designated  
enterprise zone; creating s. 290.0076, F.S.;

1 authorizing Suwannee County or Suwannee County  
2 and the municipality of Live Oak to apply  
3 jointly to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and  
4 Economic Development to designate an enterprise  
5 zone; providing requirements; requiring the  
6 office to establish an effective date of the  
7 designated enterprise zone; creating s.  
8 290.0077, F.S.; authorizing Orange County and  
9 the municipality of Apopka to jointly apply to  
10 the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic  
11 Development for designation of an enterprise  
12 zone; providing requirements with respect  
13 thereto; requiring the office to establish the  
14 initial effective date of the enterprise zone;  
15 requiring the Office of Program Policy Analysis  
16 and Government Accountability to conduct a  
17 study of rural enterprise zone issues and to  
18 submit a report to the Legislature; providing  
19 an effective date.  
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21 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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

25 290.00710 Enterprise zone designation for the City of  
26 Lakeland.--The City of Lakeland may apply to the Office of  
27 Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development for designation of  
28 one enterprise zone for an area within the City of Lakeland,  
29 which zone shall encompass an area up to 10 square miles. The  
30 application must be submitted by December 31, 2005, and must  
31 comply with the requirements of s. 290.0055. Notwithstanding

1 s. 290.0065, limiting the total number of enterprise zones  
2 designated and the number of enterprise zones within a  
3 population category, the Office of Tourism, Trade, and  
4 Economic Development may designate one enterprise zone under  
5 this section. The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic  
6 Development shall establish the initial effective date of the  
7 enterprise zone designated pursuant to this section.

8 Section 2. Section 290.0073, Florida Statutes, is  
9 created to read:

10 290.0073 Enterprise zone designation for Indian River  
11 County, the City of Vero Beach, and the City of  
12 Sebastian.--Indian River County, the City of Vero Beach, and  
13 the City of Sebastian may jointly apply to the Office of  
14 Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development for designation of  
15 one enterprise zone encompassing an area not to exceed 10  
16 square miles. The application must be submitted by December  
17 31, 2005, and must comply with the requirements of s.  
18 290.0055. Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 290.0065  
19 limiting the total number of enterprise zones designated and  
20 the number of enterprise zones within a population category,  
21 the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development may  
22 designate one enterprise zone under this section. The Office  
23 of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development shall establish  
24 the initial effective date of the enterprise zone designated  
25 pursuant to this section.

26 Section 3. Section 290.0074, Florida Statutes, is  
27 created to read:

28 290.0074 Enterprise zone designation for Sumter  
29 County.--Sumter County may apply to the Office of Tourism,  
30 Trade, and Economic Development for designation of one  
31 enterprise zone encompassing an area not to exceed 10 square

1 miles. The application must be submitted by December 31, 2005.  
2 Notwithstanding the provisions of s. 290.0065 limiting the  
3 total number of enterprise zones designated and the number of  
4 enterprise zones within a population category, the Office of  
5 Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development may designate one  
6 enterprise zone under this section. The Office of Tourism,  
7 Trade and Economic Development shall establish the initial  
8 effective date of the enterprise zone designated pursuant to  
9 this section.

10 Section 4. Section 290.00755, Florida Statutes, is  
11 created to read:

12 290.00755 Enterprise zone designation for Columbia  
13 County or Columbia County and Lake City.--Columbia County, or  
14 Columbia County and the municipality of Lake City jointly, may  
15 apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic  
16 Development for designation of one enterprise zone  
17 encompassing an area within the county, or within the county  
18 and the municipality. The application must be submitted by  
19 December 31, 2005. Notwithstanding the provisions of s.  
20 290.0065 limiting the total number of enterprise zones  
21 designated and the number of enterprise zones within a  
22 population category, the Office of Tourism, Trade, and  
23 Economic Development may designate one enterprise zone under  
24 this section. The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic  
25 Development shall establish the initial effective date of the  
26 enterprise zone designated pursuant to this section.

27 Section 5. Section 290.0076, Florida Statutes, is  
28 created to read:

29 290.0076 Enterprise zone designation for Suwannee  
30 County or Suwannee County and Live Oak.--Suwannee County, or  
31 Suwannee County and the municipality of Live Oak jointly, may

1 apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic  
2 Development for designation of one enterprise zone  
3 encompassing an area within the county, or within the county  
4 and the municipality. The application must be submitted by  
5 December 31, 2005. Notwithstanding the provisions of s.  
6 290.0065 limiting the total number of enterprise zones  
7 designated and the number of enterprise zones within a  
8 population category, the Office of Tourism, Trade, and  
9 Economic Development may designate one enterprise zone under  
10 this section. The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic  
11 Development shall establish the initial effective date of the  
12 enterprise zone designated pursuant to this section.

13 Section 6. Section 290.0077, Florida Statutes, is  
14 created to read:

15 290.0077 Enterprise zone designation for Orange County  
16 and the municipality of Apopka.--Orange County and the  
17 municipality of Apopka may jointly apply to the Office of  
18 Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development for designation of  
19 one enterprise zone. The application must be submitted by  
20 December 31, 2005, and must comply with the requirements of  
21 provisions of s. 290.0055. Notwithstanding the provisions of  
22 s. 290.0065 limiting the total number of enterprise zones  
23 designated and the number of enterprise zones within a  
24 population category, the Office of Tourism, Trade, and  
25 Economic Development may designate one enterprise zone under  
26 this section. The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic  
27 Development shall establish the initial effective date of the  
28 enterprise zone designated pursuant to this section.

29 Section 7. The Office of Program Policy Analysis and  
30 Government Accountability shall conduct an evaluation of the  
31 tax incentives available to rural enterprise zones and the

1 effectiveness of rural enterprise zones in creating jobs. In  
2 particular, the evaluation must consider whether existing tax  
3 and other financial incentives available under the Enterprise  
4 Zone Act are appropriate for businesses located in rural  
5 enterprise zones and whether incentives such as the transfer  
6 of unused tax credits would enhance the effectiveness of rural  
7 enterprise zones. The evaluation shall include an estimation  
8 of the costs of new tax incentives. The evaluation shall also  
9 identify obstacles faced by rural enterprise zones and  
10 recommend possible solutions. The Office of Program Policy  
11 Analysis and Government Accountability shall conduct its  
12 evaluation and submit a report containing its findings and  
13 recommendations to the Legislature by December 1, 2005.

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

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16 STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN  
17 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
18 CS/CS/SB 1598

19 The committee substitute for committee substitute for  
20 committee substitute (CS) authorizes the following additional  
21 local governments to apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade,  
22 and Economic Development (OTTED) for the designation of one  
23 enterprise zone: Columbia County with or without the city of  
24 Lake City; Suwannee County with or without the city of Live  
25 Oak; and Orange County and the City of Apopka. It also  
26 directs the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government  
27 Accountability to conduct an evaluation of the tax incentives  
28 available to rural enterprise zones and the effectiveness of  
29 these zones in creating jobs.  
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