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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to enterprise zones; amending s. 290,00698, F.S.; authorizing Okaloosa County and the City of Crestview to apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to amend the boundaries of the enterprise zone in Okaloosa County; 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) The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development may, upon application by governing bodies of

1 Okaloosa County and the City of Crestview, amend the
2 boundaries of enterprise zone EZ-4601 in Okaloosa County. The
3 boundary amendment may not increase the size of the enterprise
4 zone by more than 5 square miles and the increased area must
5 have a contiguous boundary or be composed of not more than
6 three noncontiguous areas. The application must be submitted
7 by December 31, 2005.

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

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11 SENATE SUMMARY

12 Authorizes Okaloosa County and the City of Crestview to
13 apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic
14 Development to amend the boundaries of the enterprise
15 zone in Okaloosa County.