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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to rural enterprise zones; requiring the  
3           Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development to  
4           designate certain rural catalyst sites as rural enterprise  
5           zones upon request of a host county; specifying request  
6           requirements; specifying effect of designation; specifying  
7           reporting requirements for rural catalyst sites designated  
8           as a rural enterprise zone; authorizing host county  
9           development authorities to enter into memoranda of  
10          agreement for certain purposes; providing an effective  
11          date.

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

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15           Section 1. Notwithstanding s. 290.0065(1), Florida  
16           Statutes, the Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic  
17           Development, upon request of the host county, shall designate as  
18           a rural enterprise zone any catalyst site as defined in s.  
19           288.0656(2)(b), Florida Statutes, that was approved prior to  
20           January 1, 2010, and that is not located in an existing rural  
21           enterprise zone. The request from the host county must include  
22           the legal description of the catalyst site and the name and  
23           contact information for the county development authority  
24           responsible for managing the catalyst site. The designation  
25           shall provide businesses locating within the catalyst site the  
26           same eligibility for economic incentives and other benefits of a  
27           rural enterprise zone designated under s. 290.0065, Florida  
28           Statutes. The reporting criteria for a catalyst site designated

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29 as a rural enterprise zone under this section are the same as  
30 for other rural enterprise zones. Host county development  
31 authorities may enter into memoranda of agreement, as necessary,  
32 to coordinate their efforts to implement this section.

33       Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010.