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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to enterprise zones for bioscience
3 clusters; creating s. 290.0155, F.S.; authorizing a
4 county to designate an area for a bioscience cluster
5 of a specified size; providing conditions of
6 eligibility to designate the bioscience cluster;
7 defining the term "major bioscience cluster";
8 providing an effective date.

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

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12 Section 1. Section 290.0155, Florida Statutes, is created
13 to read:

14 290.0155 Enterprise zones for bioscience clusters.-

15 (1) Notwithstanding the requirements of s. 290.0055, a
16 county having at least three universities or colleges, a
17 population of at least 100,000, and a major biosciences cluster
18 that is adjacent to the campus of a public university may
19 designate an enterprise zone for the area of the bioscience
20 cluster, not to exceed 250 acres.

21 (2) As used in this section, the term "major bioscience
22 cluster" means a cluster of biotechnology research institutes,
23 biotechnology businesses, pharmaceutical companies, hospitals,
24 medical schools, or similar medical facilities that, when
25 combined, employ at least 1,000 persons within the area of the
26 cluster.

27 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011.