

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to freight logistics zones; creating
 3 s. 311.103, F.S.; providing application requirements
 4 for a local government to apply for the designation of
 5 a freight logistics zone; authorizing the Secretary of
 6 Transportation, in consultation with specified
 7 entities, to designate pilot logistics zones;
 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 311.103, Florida Statutes, is created
 13 to read:

14 311.103 Designation of state freight logistics zones.—

15 (1) A local government may apply to the Department of
 16 Transportation for designation of a geographic area or areas
 17 within its jurisdiction as a freight logistics zone. The local
 18 government shall submit an application developed by the
 19 department that includes, but is not limited to:

20 (a) A map depicting the geographic area or areas to be
 21 included within the designation.

22 (b) Identification of existing transportation
 23 infrastructure, such as roads, rail, airports, and seaports,
 24 within or in close proximity to the proposed freight logistics
 25 zone.

26 (c) Identification of existing workforce availability
 27 within or in close proximity to the proposed zone.

28 (d) Identification of any local, state, or federal

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29 workforce training capabilities available for a business seeking
30 to locate or expand within the proposed zone.

31 (e) Identification of any local, state, or federal plans,
32 including transportation, seaport, or airport plans, concerning
33 the movement of freight within or in close proximity to the
34 proposed zone.

35 (f) Identification of financial or other local government
36 incentives to encourage new development, expansion of existing
37 development, or redevelopment within the proposed zone.

38 (2) Beginning July 1, 2013, the secretary may designate up
39 to four pilot freight logistics zones in the state in
40 consultation with the Department of Economic Opportunity, the
41 Florida Seaport Transportation and Economic Development Council,
42 and other public and private stakeholders. These zones may be
43 eligible for priority in state funding and incentive programs
44 relating to freight logistics zones, including applicable
45 programs identified in parts I, III, and V of chapter 288 and s.
46 311.101.

47 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.