

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to enterprise zones; authorizing a
 3 governing body within the boundaries of a consolidated
 4 government to apply to the Office of Tourism, Trade, and
 5 Economic Development to amend the boundaries of its
 6 enterprise zone; requiring the office to approve the
 7 boundary amendment application under certain
 8 circumstances; providing requirements; providing an
 9 effective date.

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

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13 Section 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a
 14 governing body located wholly within the boundaries of a
 15 consolidated government may apply to the Office of Tourism,
 16 Trade, and Economic Development to amend the boundaries of its
 17 existing enterprise zone for the purpose of adding additional
 18 areas. The Office of Tourism, Trade, and Economic Development
 19 shall approve the boundary amendment application provided the
 20 additional areas are contiguous to the existing enterprise zone
 21 and do not exceed 5 square miles in the aggregate. The
 22 enterprise zone with boundaries as amended pursuant the petition
 23 and approved by the office shall be consistent with the
 24 categories, criteria, and conditions imposed by s. 290.0055,
 25 Florida Statutes, including the requirement that the enterprise
 26 zone with boundaries as amended continues to suffer from
 27 pervasive poverty, unemployment, and general distress. Any

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28 | application for an enterprise zone boundary amendment must be
29 | received by the office by December 31, 2005.

30 | Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.