

Amendment No. 1

COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	_____	(Y/N)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED	_____	(Y/N)
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	_____	(Y/N)
FAILED TO ADOPT	_____	(Y/N)
WITHDRAWN	_____	(Y/N)
OTHER		

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1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Finance & Tax Committee  
 2 Representative Diaz, M. offered the following:

**Amendment (with title amendment)**

Remove everything after the enacting clause and insert:

6 Section 1. Section 189.056, Florida Statutes, is created  
7 to read:

8 189.056 Downtown development districts; ad valorem  
9 taxation.—

10 (1) It is the intent of the Legislature to encourage the  
11 revitalization of downtown areas within large municipalities  
12 where the societal ills associated with urban blight are most  
13 prevalent. However, in recognition of the traditionally broad  
14 home rule power exercised by charter counties, the Legislature  
15 intends that this section apply only to certain counties.

16 (2) The governing body of a municipality with a population  
17 of more than 400,000, as determined by the Office of Economic

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18 and Demographic Research, and located in a county as defined in  
19 s. 125.011(1) may, by ordinance, levy an ad valorem tax of up to  
20 0.475 mills on the taxable value of all real and personal  
21 property located in a downtown development district to help  
22 finance the operation of the district. The district's millage  
23 may not exceed 0.475 mills and may not exceed the limitations  
24 contained in s. 200.001(8)(d) for dependent special districts.

25 Section 2. This act shall take effective July 1, 2015.

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28 **T I T L E A M E N D M E N T**

29 Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert:

30 A bill to be entitled

31 An act relating to downtown development districts;  
32 creating s. 189.056, F.S.; providing legislative  
33 intent; authorizing municipalities larger than a  
34 certain size located in home rule counties to assess  
35 an ad valorem tax on certain property in downtown  
36 development districts; limiting the downtown  
37 development district's ad valorem millage rate;  
38 providing an effective date.