

Department of Planning and Budget 2014 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB60

House of Origin Introduced Substitute Engrossed
Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. Patron: Hodges

3. Committee: Counties, Cities and Towns

4. Title: Enterprise Zone Grant Program; designation of noncontiguous areas.

5. Summary: This bill makes changes to the Enterprise Zone Grant Program, specifically the designation of noncontiguous areas. The bill provides (i) that the maximum number of noncontiguous areas that may be part of an enterprise zone shall be set by regulation by the Board of Housing and Community Development, and (ii) that each locality may have only one enterprise zone. Current law prohibits more than three noncontiguous areas in an enterprise zone and restricts each locality to no more than three enterprise zones.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Preliminary, see item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: Grants issued through the Enterprise Zone Grant Program are capped by an annual budget allocation, thus the bill has no substantive fiscal impact on program expenditures. However, the Department of Housing and Community Development will need to update the program regulations to conform to changes in the statute. This update can be accomplished within existing agency resources.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Housing and Community Development; counties, cities and towns eligible for enterprise zone designations.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.