

**ASSEMBLY BILL 2 (LRB -0975)**

An Act to amend 560.799 (3) (a) and 560.799 (5) (d) (intro.); and to create 560.799 (3) (d) of the statutes; relating to: authorizing the designation of additional enterprise zones and requiring the designation of enterprise zones in rural areas. (FE)

2011

01-14. A. Introduced by Representatives **Rivard, Williams, Severson, Ballweg, Bies, Brooks, Krug, LeMahieu, Mursau, A. Ott, Petrowski, Ripp, Spanbauer, Steineke, Tranel and Kestell**; cosponsored by Senators **Galloway, Harsdorf, Holperin, Lasee and Moulton**.

01-14. A. Read first time and referred to committee on Rural Economic Development and Rural Affairs ..... 33

02-03. A. Fiscal estimate received.

02-09. A. Public hearing held.

02-23. A. Fiscal estimate received.

03-02. A. Executive action taken.

03-02. A. Assembly amendment 1 offered by committee on Rural Economic Development and Rural Affairs (**LRB a0546**) ..... 174

03-24. A. Report Assembly Amendment 1 adoption recommended by committee on Rural Economic Development and Rural Affairs, Ayes 13, Noes 0 ..... 202

03-24. A. Report passage as amended recommended by committee on Rural Economic Development and Rural Affairs, Ayes 10, Noes 3 ..... 202

03-24. A. Referred to joint committee on Finance ..... 202

04-06. A. Executive action taken.

04-06. A. Assembly amendment 2 offered by committee on Finance (**LRB a0630**) ..... 221

04-06. A. Assembly amendment 3 offered by committee on Finance (**LRB a0631**) ..... 221

04-06. A. Report Assembly Amendment 1 adoption recommended by joint committee on Finance, Ayes 16, Noes 0 ..... 221

04-06. A. Report Assembly Amendment 2 adoption recommended by joint committee on Finance, Ayes 15, Noes 1 ..... 221

04-06. A. Report Assembly Amendment 3 adoption recommended by joint committee on Finance, Ayes 15, Noes 1 ..... 221

04-06. A. Report passage as amended, with emergency statement attached, pursuant to s. 16.47 (2), Wisconsin Statutes, recommended by joint committee on Finance ..... 221

04-06. A. Referred to committee on Rules ..... 221

04-07. A. Placed on calendar 4-12-2011 by committee on Rules.

04-12. A. Read a second time ..... 229

04-12. A. Assembly amendment 1 **adopted**, Ayes 93, Noes 0 ..... 229

04-12. A. Assembly amendment 2 **adopted**, Ayes 91, Noes 2 ..... 230

04-12. A. Assembly amendment 3 **adopted**, Ayes 93, Noes 0 ..... 230

04-12. A. Assembly amendment 4 offered by Representatives Bernard Schaber and Barca (**LRB a0641**) ..... 230

04-12. A. Assembly amendment 4 laid on table, Ayes 58, Noes 35 ..... 230

04-12. A. Ordered to a third reading ..... 230

04-12. A. Rules suspended ..... 230

04-12. A. Read a third time and **passed**, Ayes 79, Noes 12, Paired 4 ..... 230

04-12. A. Ordered immediately messaged ..... 231

04-13. S. Received from Assembly ..... 218

04-14. S. Read first time and referred to committee on Senate Organization ..... 218

04-14. S. Available for scheduling.

05-09. S. Placed on calendar 5-10-2011 pursuant to Senate Rule 18(1) ..... 254

05-10. S. Read a second time.

05-10. S. Ordered to a third reading.

05-10. S. Rules suspended.

05-10. S. Read a third time and **concurred in**, Ayes 26, Noes 7.

05-10. S. Ordered immediately messaged.

05-10. A. Received from Senate concurred in.

**2011**  
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**ADOPTED DOCUMENTS:**

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Amendments to above (if none, write "NONE"): AA1    a 0546/1 ✓

AA2    a 0630/1 ✓

AA3    a 0631/1 ✓

Corrections - show date (if none, write "NONE"): None ✓

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Enrolling Drafter



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January 14, 2011 – Introduced by Representatives RIVARD, WILLIAMS, SEVERSON, BALLWEG, BIES, BROOKS, KRUG, LEMAHIEU, MURSAU, A. OTT, PETROWSKI, RIPP, SPANBAUER, STEINEKE, TRANEL and KESTELL, cosponsored by Senators GALLOWAY, HARSDORF, HOLPERIN, LASEE and MOULTON. Referred to Committee on Rural Economic Development and Rural Affairs.

1    **AN ACT** *to amend* 560.799 (3) (a) and 560.799 (5) (d) (intro.); and *to create*  
2           560.799 (3) (d) of the statutes; **relating to:** authorizing the designation of  
3           additional enterprise zones and requiring the designation of enterprise zones  
4           in rural areas.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Under current law, the Department of Commerce (Commerce) may designate an area as an enterprise zone. Commerce must consider a number of factors related to the area prior to designating the area as an enterprise zone, including indicators of the area's economic need and whether designation as an enterprise zone would promote the retention of jobs in the area. A taxpayer who creates or retains jobs in an enterprise zone may claim certain credits against state income and franchise taxes. Currently, Commerce may designate no more than 12 enterprise zones. This bill permits Commerce to designate a total of 16 enterprise zones.

In determining whether to designate an area an enterprise zone, current law requires Commerce to consider specified indicators of the area's economic need and specified indicators of the effect of designation on other initiatives and programs to promote economic and community development in the area. Current law also requires Commerce to give preference to the greatest economic need. This bill requires Commerce to designate two additional enterprise zones in political subdivisions with populations of less than 5,000 and two additional enterprise zones in political subdivisions with populations between 5,000 and 29,999 (rural zones), notwithstanding the current factors Commerce must consider.

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Currently, a business that retains jobs in an enterprise zone is eligible for tax credits if the business makes a significant capital investment in property located in the enterprise zone and at least one of the following applies: 1) the business is an original equipment manufacturer with a significant supply chain in the state; or 2) the business has more than 500 full-time employees in the enterprise zone. Under the bill, a business that retains jobs in a rural zone and makes a significant capital investment in property located in the rural zone is eligible for tax credits; no additional showing is required.

For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. 560.799 (3) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

2 560.799 (3) (a) The department may designate not more than 12 ~~10~~ enterprise  
3 zones.

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4 SECTION 2. 560.799 (3) (d) of the statutes is created to read:

5 560.799 (3) (d) Notwithstanding pars. (b) and (c), the department shall  
6 designate as enterprise zones at least 2 areas in political subdivisions with  
7 populations of less than 5,000 and at least 2 areas in political subdivisions with  
8 populations of 5,000 or more but less than 30,000.

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9 SECTION 3. 560.799 (5) (d) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

10 560.799 (5) (d) (intro.) A business that retains jobs in an enterprise zone, but  
11 only if the business makes a significant capital investment in property located in the  
12 enterprise zone and, unless the property is located in an enterprise zone designated  
13 under sub. (3) (d), at least one of the following applies:

14 (END)



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ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1,  
TO 2011 ASSEMBLY BILL 2

March 2, 2011 - Offered by COMMITTEE ON RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND  
RURAL AFFAIRS.

1 At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:

2 ✓✓ 1. Page 2, line 6: delete lines 6 to 8 and substitute "designate as enterprise  
3 zones at least 1 areas comprising political subdivisions whose populations total less  
4 than 5,000 and at least 2 areas comprising political subdivisions whose populations  
5 total 5,000 or more but less than 30,000".

6 (END)

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ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 2,  
TO 2011 ASSEMBLY BILL 2

April 6, 2011 – Offered by JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

1 At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:

2 ✓✓ 1. Page 2, line 2: delete “16” and substitute “20”.

3 ✓✓ 2. Page 2, line 6: delete “2” and substitute “3”.

4 (END)

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ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 3,  
TO 2011 ASSEMBLY BILL 2

April 6, 2011 - Offered by JOINT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

1 At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:

2 1. Page 2, line 8: after "30,000." insert "In designating an enterprise zone  
3 under this paragraph, the department may consider indicators of an area's economic  
4 need and the effect of designation on other economic development activities".

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(END)

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