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HOUSE BILL NO. 2393

AN ACT

To repeal sections 135.950 and 135.967, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof three new sections relating to enhanced enterprise zones.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section A. Sections 135.950 and 135.967, RSMo, are repealed
2 and three new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as
3 sections 135.950, 135.967, and 135.968, to read as follows:

4 135.950. The following terms, whenever used in sections
5 135.950 to 135.970 mean:

6 (1) "Average wage", the new payroll divided by the number
7 of new jobs;

8 [(1)] (2) "Blighted area", an area which, by reason of the
9 predominance of defective or inadequate street layout, unsanitary
10 or unsafe conditions, deterioration of site improvements,
11 improper subdivision or obsolete platting, or the existence of
12 conditions which endanger life or property by fire and other
13 causes, or any combination of such factors, retards the provision
14 of housing accommodations or constitutes an economic or social

1 liability or a menace to the public health, safety, morals, or
2 welfare in its present condition and use;

3 [(2)] (3) "Board", an enhanced enterprise zone board
4 established pursuant to section 135.957;

5 [(3)] (4) "Commencement of commercial operations" shall be
6 deemed to occur during the first taxable year for which the new
7 business facility is first put into use by the taxpayer in the
8 enhanced business enterprise in which the taxpayer intends to use
9 the new business facility;

10 (5) "County average wage", the average wages in each county
11 as determined by the department for the most recently completed
12 full calendar year. However, if the computed county average wage
13 is above the statewide average wage, the statewide average wage
14 shall be deemed the county average wage for such county for the
15 purpose of determining eligibility. The department shall publish
16 the county average wage for each county at least annually.
17 Notwithstanding the provisions of this subdivision to the
18 contrary, for any taxpayer that in conjunction with their project
19 is relocating employees from a Missouri county with a higher
20 county average wage, such taxpayer shall obtain the endorsement
21 of the governing body of the community from which jobs are being
22 relocated or the county average wage for their project shall be
23 the county average wage for the county from which the employees
24 are being relocated;

25 [(4)] (6) "Department", the department of economic
26 development;

27 [(5)] (7) "Director", the director of the department of
28 economic development;

