

1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 179

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 179 by replacing
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Illinois Enterprise Zone Act is amended
5 by changing Section 4 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 655/4) (from Ch. 67 1/2, par. 604)

7 Sec. 4. Qualifications for Enterprise Zones. (1) An area
8 is qualified to become an enterprise zone which:

9 (a) is a contiguous area, provided that a zone area may
10 exclude wholly surrounded territory within its boundaries;

11 (b) comprises a minimum of one-half square mile and not
12 more than 12 square miles, or 15 square miles if the zone is
13 located within the jurisdiction of 4 or more counties or
14 municipalities, in total area, exclusive of lakes and
15 waterways; however, in such cases where the enterprise zone
16 is a joint effort of three or more units of government, or
17 two or more units of government if situated in a township
18 which is divided by a municipality of 1,000,000 or more
19 inhabitants, and where the certification has been in effect
20 at least one year, the total area shall comprise a minimum of
21 one-half square mile and not more than thirteen square miles
22 in total area exclusive of lakes and waterways;

1 (c) is a depressed area;

2 (d) satisfies any additional criteria established by
3 regulation of the Department consistent with the purposes of
4 this Act; and

5 (e) is (1) entirely within a municipality or (2)
6 entirely within the unincorporated areas of a county, except
7 where reasonable need is established for such zone to cover
8 portions of more than one municipality or county or (3) both
9 comprises (i) all or part of a municipality and (ii) an
10 unincorporated area of a county.

11 (2) Any criteria established by the Department or by law
12 which utilize the rate of unemployment for a particular area
13 shall provide that all persons who are not presently employed
14 and have exhausted all unemployment benefits shall be
15 considered unemployed, whether or not such persons are
16 actively seeking employment. In addition, any criteria
17 established by the Department or by law that use the rate of
18 unemployment for a particular area must count as unemployed
19 any reduction in the number of persons in the labor force in
20 that area over the previous 12 months.

21 (Source: P.A. 86-803.)

22 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
23 becoming law."