

1 AN ACT concerning revenue.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Enterprise Zone Act is amended by
5 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 is
8 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 is
16 a joint effort of three or more units of government, or two or
17 more units of government if situated in a township which is
18 divided by a municipality of 1,000,000 or more inhabitants, and
19 where the certification has been in effect at least one year,
20 the total area shall comprise a minimum of one-half square mile
21 and not more than thirteen square miles in total area exclusive
22 of lakes and waterways; however, if the enterprise zone is
23 located within the jurisdiction of 5 or more municipalities and

1 located in a county in which a military base is located on the
2 effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General
3 Assembly, the total area shall comprise a minimum of one-half
4 square mile and not more than 16 square miles in total area,
5 exclusive of lakes and waterways;

6 (c) is a depressed area;

7 (d) satisfies any additional criteria established by
8 regulation of the Department consistent with the purposes of
9 this Act; and

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

16 (2) Any criteria established by the Department or by law
17 which utilize the rate of unemployment for a particular area
18 shall provide that all persons who are not presently employed
19 and have exhausted all unemployment benefits shall be
20 considered unemployed, whether or not such persons are actively
21 seeking employment.

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

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