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BY COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 119)

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		A BILL FOR
1	An	Act relating to the enterprise zone program by creating an
2		eligible development business portion of the program, amending
3		the incentives and assistance provisions available under the
4		enterprise zone program, and providing a retroactive
5		applicability date.
6	BE	IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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- 1 Section 1. Section 15.333, subsection 1, Code 2001, is 2 amended to read as follows:
- An eligible business may claim a corporate tax credit
- 4 up to a maximum of ten percent of the new investment which is
- 5 directly related to new jobs created by the location or
- 6 expansion of an eligible business under the program. Any
- 7 credit in excess of the tax liability for the tax year may be
- 8 credited to the tax liability for the following seven years or
- 9 until depleted, whichever occurs earlier. If the business is
- 10 a partnership, subchapter S corporation, limited liability
- 11 company, or estate or trust electing to have the income taxed
- 12 directly to the individual, an individual may claim the tax
- 13 credit allowed. The amount claimed by the individual shall be
- 14 based upon the pro rata share of the individual's earnings of
- 15 the partnership, subchapter S corporation, limited liability
- 16 company, or estate or trust. For purposes of this section,
- 17 "new investment directly related to new jobs created by the
- 18 location or expansion of an eligible business under the
- 19 program" means the cost of machinery and equipment, as defined
- 20 in section 427A.1, subsection 1, paragraphs "e" and "j",
- 21 purchased for use in the operation of the eligible business,
- 22 the purchase price of which has been depreciated in accordance
- 23 with generally accepted accounting principles, and the cost of
- 24 improvements made to real property which is used in the
- 25 operation of the eligible business and-which-receives-a
- 26 partial-property-tax-exemption-for-the-actual-value-added
- 27 under-section-15:332.
- 28 Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 15E.193C ELIGIBLE DEVELOPMENT
- 29 BUSINESS.
- 30 1. A development business qualifying under this section is
- 31 eligible to receive incentives and assistance only as provided
- 32 in this section. Sections 15E.193, 15E.193B, and 15E.196 do
- 33 not apply to an eligible development business qualifying under
- 34 this section.
- 35 2. An eligible development business includes a developer

- 1 or development contractor that constructs, expands, or
- 2 rehabilitates a building space with a minimum capital
- 3 investment of at least five hundred thousand dollars in that
- 4 part of a city or county in which there is a designated
- 5 enterprise zone. An eligible development business is eligible
- 6 for one, but not both, of the following exemptions to the
- 7 capital investment requirements:
- 8 a. For an eligible development business purchasing a
- 9 vacant building suitable for industrial use, the fair market
- 10 value of the building and land, not to exceed two hundred
- 11 fifty thousand dollars, as determined by the local enterprise
- 12 zone commission, shall be deducted from the capital investment
- 13 requirement.
- b. For an eligible development business that rehabilitates
- 15 a building space that has been in an enterprise zone for at
- 16 least five years, the fair market value as established by an
- 17 appraisal of the building, not to exceed two hundred fifty
- 18 thousand dollars, shall be deducted from the capital
- 19 investment requirement.
- 3. Upon completion of the construction, expansion, or
- 21 rehabilitation project by the eligible development business,
- 22 the building space shall not be occupied by a retail business.
- 23 4. An eligible development business shall complete its
- 24 construction, expansion, or rehabilitation within three years
- 25 from the time the eligible development business receives
- 26 approval from the department. The failure to complete
- 27 construction, expansion, or rehabilitation within three years
- 28 shall result in the eligible development business becoming
- 29 ineligible and subject to the repayment requirements and
- 30 penalties provided in subsection 8.
- 31 5. Prior to applying for assistance under this section, an
- 32 eligible development business shall enter into an agreement
- 33 with at least one business for purposes of locating the
- 34 business in all or a portion of the building space for a
- 35 period of at least five years.

- 6. An eligible development business shall provide the
 2 enterprise zone commission with all of the following
- 3 information:
- 4 a. The long-term strategic plan for the development
- 5 business which shall include infrastructure needs and a copy
- 6 of any agreement entered into by the eligible development
- 7 business as required under subsection 5.
- 8 b. Information relating to the benefits the development
- 9 business will bring to the area.
- 10 c. Examples of why the development business should be
- ll considered or would be considered a good business enterprise.
- 12 d. An affidavit that the development business has not,
- 13 within the last five years, violated state or federal
- 14 environmental and worker safety statutes, rules, and
- 15 regulations or if such violation has occurred that there were
- 16 mitigating circumstances or the violations did not seriously
- 17 affect public health or safety or the environment.
- 7. An eligible development business, which has been
- 19 approved to receive incentives and assistance by the
- 20 department of economic development pursuant to section
- 21 15E.195, shall be eligible to receive all of the following
- 22 incentives and assistance for a period not to exceed ten
- 23 years:
- 24 a. An eligible development business may claim a tax credit
- 25 up to a maximum of ten percent of the new investment that is
- 26 directly related to the construction, expansion, or
- 27 rehabilitation of building space to be used for manufacturing,
- 28 processing, cold storage, distribution, or office facilities.
- 29 For purposes of this section, "new investment" includes the
- 30 purchase price of land and the cost of improvements made to
- 31 real property. The tax credit may be claimed by an eligible
- 32 development business for the tax year in which the
- 33 construction, expansion, or rehabilitation is completed. The
- 34 tax credit may be used to reduce the tax liability imposed
- 35 under chapter 422, division II, III, or V. Any credit in

1 excess of the tax liability for the tax year may be credited

2 to the tax liability for the following seven years or until

3 depleted, whichever occurs earlier. If the business is a

4 partnership, S corporation, limited liability company, or

5 estate or trust electing to have the income taxed directly to

6 the individual, an individual may claim the tax credit

7 allowed. The amount claimed by the individual shall be based

8 upon the pro rata share of the individual's earnings of the

9 partnership, S corporation, limited liability company, or

10 estate or trust.

- 11 b. Sales, services, and use tax refund, as provided in 12 section 15.331A.
- 13 c. The county or city for which an eligible enterprise
- 14 zone is certified may exempt from all property taxation all or
- 15 a portion of the value added to the property upon which an
- 16 eligible development business constructs, expands, or
- 17 rehabilitates property in an enterprise zone. The amount of
- 18 value added for purposes of this shall be the amount of the
- 19 increase in assessed valuation of the property following the
- 20 construction, expansion, or rehabilitation by the development
- 21 business in the enterprise zone. If an exemption provided
- 22 pursuant to this is made applicable to only a portion of the
- 23 property within an enterprise zone, the definition of that
- 24 subset of eligible property must be by uniform criteria that
- 25 further some planning objective established by the city or
- 26 county enterprise zone commission and approved by the city or
- 27 county. The exemption may be allowed for a period not to
- 28 exceed ten years beginning the year the eligible development
- 29 business enters into an agreement with the county or city to
- 30 construct, expand, or rehabilitate property in an enterprise
- 31 zone.
- 32 8. If a development business has received incentives or
- 33 assistance under this section and fails to maintain the
- 34 requirements of this section to be an eligible development
- 35 business, the business is subject to repayment of all or a

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- 1 portion of the incentives and assistance that it has received.
- 2 The department of revenue and finance shall have the authority
- 3 to recover the value of state taxes or incentives provided
- 4 under this section. The value of state incentives provided
- 5 under this section includes applicable interest and penalties.
- 6 The department of economic development and the city and
- 7 county, as applicable, shall enter into an agreement with the
- 8 business specifying the method for determining the amount of
- 9 incentives or assistance paid which will be repaid in the
- 10 event of failure to maintain the requirements of this section.
- 11 In addition, a business that fails to maintain the
- 12 requirements of this section shall not receive incentives or
- 13 assistance for each year during which the business is not in
- 14 compliance.
- 9. The department of economic development and the
- 16 department of revenue and finance shall each adopt rules
- 17 pursuant to chapter 17A to jointly administer this section.
- 18 10. An eligible business under section 15E.193 is not
- 19 eligible for incentives and assistance listed in section
- 20 15E.196 if the property is owned, or was previously owned, by
- 21 an approved development business that has received incentives
- 22 and assistance under this section 15E.193C.
- 23 ll. If, within five years of the completion of a
- 24 construction, expansion, or rehabilitation project, the
- 25 development business, or its successor, sells or leases any
- 26 space to any retail business, the development business shall
- 27 proportionally refund any tax credits, refunds, or exemptions
- 28 which were claimed under this section.
- 29 Sec. 3. Section 15E.195, Code 2001, is amended to read as
- 30 follows:
- 31 15E.195 ENTERPRISE ZONE COMMISSION.
- 32 1. A county which designates an enterprise zone pursuant
- 33 to section 15E.194, subsection 1, and in which an eligible
- 34 enterprise zone is certified shall establish an enterprise
- 35 zone commission to review applications from qualified

- 1 businesses located within or requesting to locate within an
- 2 enterprise zone designated pursuant to section 15E.194,
- 3 subsection 1, to receive incentives or assistance as provided
- 4 in section 15E.196. The enterprise zone commission shall also
- 5 review applications from qualified housing businesses
- 6 requesting to receive incentives or assistance as provided in
- 7 section 15E.193B. The enterprise zone commission shall also
- 8 review applications from qualified development businesses
- 9 requesting to receive incentives or assistance as provided in
- 10 section 15E.193C. The commission shall consist of nine
- 11 members. Five of these members shall consist of one
- 12 representative of the board of supervisors, one member with
- 13 economic development expertise chosen by the department of
- 14 economic development, one representative of the county zoning
- 15 board, one member of the local community college board of
- 16 directors, and one representative of the local workforce
- 17 development center. These five members shall select the
- 18 remaining four members. If the enterprise zone consists of an
- 19 area meeting the requirements for eligibility for an urban or
- 20 rural enterprise community under Title XIII of the federal
- 21 Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993, one of the
- 22 remaining four members shall be a representative of that
- 23 community. A county shall have only one enterprise zone
- 24 commission to review applications for incentives and
- 25 assistance for businesses located within or requesting to
- 26 locate within a certified enterprise zone designated pursuant
- 27 to section 15E.194, subsection 1.
- 28 2. A city with a population of twenty-four thousand or
- 29 more which designates an enterprise zone pursuant to section
- 30 15E.194, subsection 2, and in which an eligible enterprise
- 31 zone is certified shall establish an enterprise zone
- 32 commission to review applications from qualified businesses
- 33 located within or requesting to locate within an enterprise
- 34 zone to receive incentives or assistance as provided in
- 35 section 15E.196. The enterprise zone commission shall review

- 1 applications from qualified housing businesses requesting to
 2 receive incentives or assistance as provided in section
- 3 15E.193B. The enterprise zone commission shall also review
- 4 applications from qualified development businesses requesting
- 5 to receive incentives or assistance as provided in section
- 6 15E.193C. The commission shall consist of nine members. Six
- 7 of these members shall consist of one representative of an
- 8 international labor organization, one member with economic
- 9 development expertise chosen by the department of economic
- 10 development, one representative of the city council, one
- 11 member of the local community college board of directors, one
- 12 member of the city planning and zoning commission, and one
- 13 representative of the local workforce development center.
- 14 These six members shall select the remaining three members.
- 15 If the enterprise zone consists of an area meeting the
- 16 requirements for eligibility for an urban enterprise community
- 17 under Title XIII of the federal Omnibus Budget Reconciliation
- 18 Act of 1993, one of the remaining three members shall be a
- 19 representative of that community. If a city contiguous to the
- 20 city designating the enterprise zone is included in an
- 21 enterprise zone, a representative of the contiguous city,
- 22 chosen by the city council, shall be a member of the
- 23 commission. A city in which an eligible enterprise zone is
- 24 certified shall have only one enterprise zone commission. If
- 25 a city has established an enterprise zone commission prior to
- 26 the effective date of this Act, the city may petition to the
- 27 department of economic development to change the structure of
- 28 the existing commission.
- The commission may adopt more stringent requirements,
- 30 including requirements related to compensation and benefits,
- 31 for a business to be eligible for incentives or assistance
- 32 than provided in sections 15E.193, and 15E.193B, and 15E.193C.
- 33 The commission may develop as an additional requirement that
- 34 preference in hiring be given to individuals who live within
- 35 the enterprise zone. The commission shall work with the local

1 workforce development center to determine the labor

2 availability in the area. The commission shall examine and

3 evaluate building codes and zoning in the enterprise zone and

4 make recommendations to the appropriate governing body in an

5 effort to promote more affordable housing development.

- 6 4. If the enterprise zone commission determines that a
- 7 business qualifies and is eligible to receive incentives or
- 8 assistance as provided in either section 15E.193B or-section,
- 9 15E.193C, or 15E.196, the commission shall submit an
- 10 application for incentives or assistance to the department of
- 11 economic development. The department may approve, defer, or
- 12 deny the application.
- 13 5. In making its decision, the commission or department
- 14 shall consider the impact of the eligible business on other
- 15 businesses in competition with it and compare the compensation
- 16 package of businesses in competition with the business being
- 17 considered for incentives or assistance. The commission or
- 18 department shall make a good faith effort to identify existing
- 19 Iowa businesses within an industry in competition with the
- 20 business being considered for incentives or assistance. The
- 21 commission or department shall also make a good faith effort
- 22 to determine the probability that the proposed incentives or
- 23 assistance will displace employees of existing businesses. In
- 24 determining the impact on businesses in competition with the
- 25 business seeking incentives or assistance, jobs created as a
- 26 result of other jobs being displaced elsewhere in the state
- 27 shall not be considered direct jobs created.
- 28 However, if the commission or department finds that an
- 29 eligible business has a record of violations of the law,
- 30 including but not limited to environmental and worker safety
- 31 statutes, rules, and regulations, over a period of time that
- 32 tends to show a consistent pattern, the eligible business
- 33 shall not qualify for incentives or assistance under section
- 34 15E.193B, 15E.193C, or section 15E.196, unless the commission
- 35 or department finds that the violations did not seriously

- 1 affect public health or safety or the environment, or if it
- 2 did that there were mitigating circumstances. In making the
- 3 findings and determinations regarding violations, mitigating
- 4 circumstances, and whether an eligible business is eligible
- 5 for incentives or assistance under section 15E.193B, 15E.193C,
- 6 or section 15E.196, the commission or department shall be
- 7 exempt from chapter 17A. If requested by the commission or
- 8 department, the business shall provide copies of materials
- 9 documenting the type of violation, any fees or penalties
- 10 assessed, court filings, final disposition of any findings and
- ll any other information which would assist the commission or
- 12 department in assessing the nature of any violation.
- 6. A business that is approved to receive incentives or
- 14 assistance shall, for the length of its designation as an
- 15 enterprise zone business, certify annually to the county or
- 16 city, as applicable, and the department of economic
- 17 development its compliance with the requirements of either
- 18 section 15E.193, or-section 15E.193B, or 15E.193C.
- 19 Sec. 4. Section 15E.196, Code 2001, is amended by adding
- 20 the following new subsection:
- 21 <u>NEW SUBSECTION</u>. 7. A business eligible to receive
- 22 incentives and assistance described in this section and
- 23 located in a building for which incentives and assistance are
- 24 or have been claimed by an approved development business under
- 25 section 15E.193C is not eligible to receive the following
- 26 incentives and assistance:
- 27 a. An investment tax credit under subsection 3 for the
- 28 portion of the investment tax credit that is claimed on the
- 29 purchase price of land or improvements to real property by an
- 30 approved development business pursuant to section 15E.193C,
- 31 subsection 7, paragraph "a".
- 32 b. Sales, services, and use tax refund under subsection 2
- 33 that is made pursuant to section 15E.193C, subsection 7,
- 34 paragraph "b".
- 35 c. A property tax exemption under subsection 5 for

1 improvements to real property that are exempted from property 2 taxation pursuant to section 15E.193C, subsection 7, paragraph 3 "c".

RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY. This Act is Sec. 5. 5 retroactively applicable to January 1, 2001, and is applicable 6 on and after that date.

EXPLANATION

This bill amends the enterprise zone program administered 9 by the department of economic development.

The bill creates a new type of eligible business under the 10 11 program. The bill provides that a development business is 12 eligible to receive incentives and assistance under the 13 program if the business constructs, expands, or rehabilitates 14 a building space with a minimum capital investment of at least 15 \$500,000 in that part of a city or county in which there is a 16 designated enterprise zone. The bill provides for two 17 possible exemptions to the capital investment requirement. 18 The bill provides that, upon completion of the construction, 19 expansion, or rehabilitation project, the building space shall 20 not be occupied by retail business. The bill provides that 21 the development business shall complete the construction, 22 expansion, or rehabilitation of the building space within

23 three years from the time the business receives approval from 24 the department. The bill provides that, prior to applying for 25 assistance, an eligible development business shall enter into 26 an agreement with at least one business for purposes of 27 locating the business in all or a portion of the building

28 space for a period of at least five years. 29 The bill provides that an eligible development business 30 which has been approved to receive incentives and assistance 31 shall be eligible to receive a new investment tax credit for 32 up to a maximum of 10 percent of the new investment; a sales, 33 services, and use tax refund; and a property tax exemption for 34 all or a portion of the value added to the property.

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1 years. The bill provides for the repayment of incentives and
 2 assistance received under the program if a development
 3 business fails to meet the requirements of the program or if
 4 the building space is sold or leased to retail business within
 5 five years of the completion of construction, expansion, or
 6 rehabilitation.
      The bill provides that a business eligible to receive
 8 incentives and assistance under the other portion of the
 9 enterprise zone program and located in a building for which a
10 development business received incentives and assistance under
11 the program shall receive reduced incentives and assistance.
12 The bill provides that an eligible business shall not receive
13 a benefit that has already been received by an eligible
14 development business.
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      The bill amends the new investment tax credit under the new
16 jobs and income Act that is also currently available under the
17 enterprise zone program. The bill amends the term "new
18 investment directly related to new jobs created by the
19 location or expansion of an eligible business under the
20 program" to remove the requirement that the cost of
21 improvements made to real property must be that which receives
22 a partial property tax exemption for the actual value added.
      The bill provides a number of conforming amendments
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24 necessary as a result of adding the development business
25 provisions to the enterprise zone program.
      The bill is retroactively applicable to January 1, 2001,
27 and is applicable on and after that date.
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HOUSE FILE 349

H-1076

- Amend House File 349 as follows: Page 1, by inserting after line 27 the 3 following: "Sec. . Section 15E.193B, subsection 2, Code 5 2001, is amended to read as follows: 2. An eligible housing business under this section 7 includes a housing developer, housing contractor, or 8 nonprofit organization that builds or rehabilitates a 9 minimum of four single-family homes with a value, 10 after completion of the building or rehabilitation, 11 not exceeding one hundred twenty thousand dollars for 12 each home located in that part of a city or county in 13 which there is a designated enterprise zone or one 14 multiple dwelling unit building containing three or 15 more individual dwelling units with a total value per 16 unit, after completion of the building or 17 rehabilitation, not exceeding one hundred twenty 18 thousand dollars located in that part of a city or 19 county in which there is a designated enterprise zone. Sec. . Section 15E.193B, subsection 6, 21 paragraph a, Code 2001, is amended to read as follows: a. An eligible housing business may claim a tax 23 credit up to a maximum of ten percent of the new 24 investment which is directly related to the building 25 or rehabilitating of a minimum of four single-family 26 homes located in that part of a city or county in 27 which there is a designated enterprise zone or one 28 multiple dwelling unit building containing three or 29 more individual dwelling units located in that part of 30 a city or county in which there is a designated 31 enterprise zone. The new investment that may be used 32 to compute the tax credit shall not exceed the new 33 investment used for the first one hundred forty 34 thousand dollars of value for each single-family home 35 or for each unit of a multiple dwelling unit building 36 containing three or more units. The tax credit may be 37 used to reduce the tax liability imposed under chapter 38 422, division II, III, or V. Any credit in excess of 39 the tax liability for the tax year may be credited to 40 the tax liability for the following seven years or 41 until depleted, whichever occurs earlier. If the 42 business is a partnership, S corporation, limited 43 liability company, or estate or trust electing to have 44 the income taxed directly to the individual, an 45 individual may claim the tax credit allowed. 46 amount claimed by the individual shall be based upon 47 the pro rata share of the individual's earnings of the 48 partnership, S corporation, limited liability company, 49 or estate or trust."
- 2. Page 5, by inserting after line 28 the H-1076 -1-

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- 1 following:
- 2 "Sec. ___. Section 15E.194, subsection 4, Code
- 3 2001, is amended to read as follows:
- 4. A city of any size or any county may designate
- 5 an enterprise zone at any time prior to July 1, 2010,
- 6 when a business closure occurs involving the loss of
- 7 full-time employees, not including retail employees,
- 8 at one place of business totaling at least one
- 9 thousand employees or four percent or more of the
- 10 county's resident labor force based on the most recent
- 11 annual resident labor force statistics from the
- 12 department of workforce development, whichever is
- 13 lower. The enterprise zone may be established on the
- 14 property of the place of business that has closed and
- 15 the enterprise zone may include an area up to an
- 16 additional one mile five miles adjacent to the
- 17 property. The area meeting the requirements for
- 18 enterprise zone eligibility under this subsection
- 19 shall not be included for the purpose of determining
- 20 the area limitation pursuant to section 15E.192,
- 21 subsection 4. The area included in an enterprise zone
- 22 designated under this subsection on or after June 1,
- 23 2000, may be amended to change the boundaries of the
- 24 enterprise zone. Such an amendment must be approved
- 25 by the department within three years of the date the
- 26 enterprise zone was certified."
- 27 3. Title page, by striking lines 1 through 4 and
- 28 inserting the following: "An Act relating to the
- 29 enterprise zone program and providing a retroactive".
- 30 4. By renumbering as necessary.

By JENKINS of Black Hawk

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HOUSE FILE 349

H-1083

- 1 Amend House File 349 as follows:
- 2 1. Page 3, line 35, by inserting after the words
- 3 "or V" the following: "or chapter 432".

By JENKINS of Black Hawk

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HOUSE FILE 349

H-1077

- Amend the amendment, H-1076, to House File 349, as 1 2 follows:
- 1. Page 1, by inserting after line 1 the 4 following:
- " . Page 1, line 11, by inserting after the 6 word "company," the following: "cooperative organized
- 7 under chapter 501 and filing as a partnership for 8 federal tax purposes,".
- 9 ____. Page 1, line 16, by inserting after the word
- 10 "company," the following: "cooperative organized 11 under chapter 501 and filing as a partnership for 12 federal tax purposes,"."
- 13 2. Page 1, line 43, by inserting after the word 14 "company," the following: "cooperative organized
- 15 under chapter 501 and filing as a partnership for 16 federal tax purposes,".
- 17 3. Page 1, line 48, by inserting after the word 18 "company," the following: "cooperative organized
- '9 under chapter 501 and filing as a partnership for .0 federal tax purposes,".
- 21 4. Page 1, by inserting after line 49 the 22 following:
- 23 " . Page 4, line 4, by inserting after the word
- 24 "company," the following: "cooperative organized
- 25 under chapter 501 and filing as a partnership for
- 26 federal tax purposes,".
- ___. Page 4, line 9, by inserting after the word
- 28 "company," the following: "cooperative organized
- 29 under chapter 501 and filing as a partnership for
- 30 federal tax purposes,"."
- 31 5. By renumbering as necessary.

By JENKINS of Black Hawk

H-1077 FILED FEBRUARY 22, 2001

A fiscal note for **Amendment H-1076 to House File 349** is hereby submitted pursuant to Joint Rule 17. Data used in developing this fiscal note is available from the Legislative Fiscal Bureau to members of the Legislature upon request.

Amendment H-1076 to House File 349 amends the housing business portion of the Enterprise Zone Program to eliminate the \$120,000 maximum limit for a single-family home or each unit of a multiple dwelling unit containing three or more units. The new investment may be used to compute the tax credit up to \$140,000 of the investment. The Bill also amends the allowable area adjacent to the closed property that may be included in the Enterprise Zone from one mile to five miles.

ASSUMPTIONS

- 1. The expansion to a five-mile radius will result in one additional business project per year.
- 2. Removing the cap on the value of the eligible housing or rental units is expected to have minimal impact. The average value (\$82,000) is currently well below the cap.
- 3. Administrative costs can be absorbed by current staffing.
- 4. A portion of the tax credits may be offset by new tax liabilities generated by the expansions. The amount of the offset cannot be determined from available information.

FISCAL IMPACT

Amendment H-1076 is not expected to create tax credits in FY 2002 due to the lag in approval by the Department of Economic Development and in filing for tax credits. The change is projected to create \$451,000 in tax credits in FY 2003. General Fund revenues will decrease by a similar amount.

SOURCE

Department of Economic Development

(LSB 1760HV.3, MDF)

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A fiscal note for **House File 349** is hereby submitted pursuant to Joint Rule 17. Data used in developing this fiscal note is available from the Legislative Fiscal Bureau to members of the Legislature upon request.

House File 349 amends the Enterprise Zone Program and creates a new type of eligible business. A development business is eligible for incentives and assistance if the business constructs, expands, or rehabilitates a building space with a minimum capital investment of at least \$500,000. The development business is required to have at least a five-year agreement for a non-retail business to locate in the building. Repayment of incentives is required if the development business fails to meet the Program requirements. A business locating in the building for which the development business receives incentives can receive reduced incentives, but it cannot receive incentives which are already being paid to the development business.

ASSUMPTIONS

- 1. The number of projects will increase by 10.0% because of including development businesses.
- 2. Development businesses will receive investment tax credit only on construction costs and not for machinery and equipment costs or research and development. This is estimated to be 36.5% of the average tax credits and refunds currently claimed by a business project.
- Administrative costs will be absorbed by the Department of Economic Development utilizing existing staff.
- 4. Some portion of the tax credits will be offset by new taxes generated by the construction and expansion projects. The amount of the offset cannot be determined from available information.

FISCAL IMPACT

House File 349 is not expected to create tax credits in FY 2002 due to the lag in approval by the Department of Economic Development and in filing for tax credits. The change is projected to create \$60,000 in tax credits in FY 2003 and decrease General Fund revenues by a similar amount.

SOURCE

Department of Economic Development

(LSB 1760HV, MDF)

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A fiscal note for Amendment H-1077 to H-1076 to House File 349 is hereby submitted pursuant to Joint Rule 17. Data used in developing this fiscal note is available from the Legislative Fiscal Bureau to members of the Legislature upon request.

Amendment H-1077 to H-1076 to House File 349 amends the tax credit provisions under the new jobs and income program and the housing business portion of the Enterprise Zone Program. The Amendment permits cooperatives organized under Chapter 501 electing to have the income taxed directly to an individual to claim the tax credit to be allocated to the individual cooperative member on a pro rata share of the individual's earnings in the cooperative.

ASSUMPTIONS

- 1. The change will result in two additional projects in FY 2003 and two to three projects annually in subsequent years.
- 2. The estimated average cost per project is \$126,000 per year, based on the average credits and refunds claimed by businesses during FY 2000.
- 3. Administrative costs can be absorbed by current staffing.
- 4. A portion of the tax credits may be offset by new tax liabilities generated by the expansions. The amount of the offset cannot be determined from available information.

FISCAL IMPACT

Amendment H-1077 is not expected to create tax credits in FY 2002 due to the lag in approval by the Department of Economic Development and in filing for tax credits. The change is projected to create \$251,000 in tax credits in FY 2003. General Fund revenues will decrease by a similar amount.

SOURCE

Department of Economic Development

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HOUSE FILE 349

H-1067

- Amend House File 349 as follows: Page 1, by inserting after line 27 the 3 following: "Sec. . Section 15E.193B, subsection 2, Code 5 2001, is amended to read as follows: An eligible housing business under this section 7 includes a housing developer, housing contractor, or 8 nonprofit organization that builds or rehabilitates a 9 minimum of four single-family homes with a value, 10 after completion of the building or rehabilitation, 11 not-exceeding one-hundred twenty thousand dollars-for 12 each home located in that part of a city or county in 13 which there is a designated enterprise zone or one 14 multiple dwelling unit building containing three or 15 more individual dwelling units with a total value per 16 unit, after completion of the building or 17 rehabilitation, not exceeding one hundred twenty 18 thousand dollars located in that part of a city or 19 county in which there is a designated enterprise zone. 20 Sec. .. Section 15E.193B, subsection 6, 21 paragraph a, Code 2001, is amended to read as follows: a. An eligible housing business may claim a tax 23 credit up to a maximum of ten percent of the new 24 investment which is directly related to the building 25 or rehabilitating of a minimum of four single-family 26 homes located in that part of a city or county in 27 which there is a designated enterprise zone or one 28 multiple dwelling unit building containing three or 29 more individual dwelling units located in that part of 30 a city or county in which there is a designated 31 enterprise zone. The new investment that may be used 32 to compute the tax credit shall not exceed the new 33 investment used for the first one hundred forty 34 thousand dollars of value for each single-family home 35 or for each unit of a multiple dwelling unit building 36 containing three or more units. The tax credit may be 37 used to reduce the tax liability imposed under chapter 38 422, division II, III, or V. Any credit in excess of 39 the tax liability for the tax year may be credited to 40 the tax liability for the following seven years or 41 until depleted, whichever occurs earlier. If the 42 business is a partnership, S corporation, limited 43 liability company, or estate or trust electing to have 44 the income taxed directly to the individual, an 45 individual may claim the tax credit allowed. 46 amount claimed by the individual shall be based upon 47 the pro rata share of the individual's earnings of the 48 partnership, S corporation, limited liability company, 49 or estate or trust." 2. Page 5, by inserting after line 28 the
- 50 2. Page 5, by inserting after line 28 the H-1067 -1-

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1 following:

- 2 "Sec. ___. Section 15E.194, subsection 4, Code
- 3 2001, is amended to read as follows:
- 4. A city of any size or any county may designate
- 5 an enterprise zone at any time prior to July 1, 2010,
- 6 when a business closure occurs involving the loss of
- 7 full-time employees, not including retail employees,
- 8 at one place of business totaling at least one
- 9 thousand employees or four percent or more of the
- 10 county's resident labor force based on the most recent
- 11 annual resident labor force statistics from the
- 12 department of workforce development, whichever is
- 13 lower. The enterprise zone may be established on the
- 14 property of the place of business that has closed and
- 15 the enterprise zone may include an area up to an
- 16 additional one-mile five miles adjacent to the
- 17 property. The area meeting the requirements for
- 18 enterprise zone eligibility under this subsection
- 19 shall not be included for the purpose of determining
- 20 the area limitation pursuant to section 15E.192,
- 21 subsection 4. The area included in an enterprise zone
- 22 designated under this subsection on or after June 1,
- 23 2000, may be amended to change the boundaries of the
- 24 enterprise zone. Such an amendment must be approved
- 25 by the department within three years of the date the
- 26 enterprise zone was certified."
- 3. By renumbering as necessary.

By JENKINS of Black Hawk

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HOUSE FILE 349
BY COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 119)

(As Amended and Passed by the House February 28, 2001)

Oo.	Passed	House,	Date	5/3/01 (p. 1812)	Passed	P. 1465) Senate, Date 5/2/01					
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A BILL FOR

1	An Act relating to the enterprise zone program and providing a	<u>L</u>
2	retroactive applicability date.	
3	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:	
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- 1 Section 1. Section 15.333, subsection 1, Code 2001, is 2 amended to read as follows:
- An eligible business may claim a corporate tax credit
- 4 up to a maximum of ten percent of the new investment which is
- 5 directly related to new jobs created by the location or
- 6 expansion of an eligible business under the program. Any
- 7 credit in excess of the tax liability for the tax year may be
- 8 credited to the tax liability for the following seven years or
- 9 until depleted, whichever occurs earlier. If the business is
- 10 a partnership, subchapter S corporation, limited liability
- 11 company, cooperative organized under chapter 501 and filing as
- 12 a partnership for federal tax purposes, or estate or trust
- 13 electing to have the income taxed directly to the individual,
- 14 an individual may claim the tax credit allowed. The amount
- 15 claimed by the individual shall be based upon the pro rata
- 16 share of the individual's earnings of the partnership,
- 17 subchapter S corporation, limited liability company,
- 18 cooperative organized under chapter 501 and filing as a
- 19 partnership for federal tax purposes, or estate or trust. For
- 20 purposes of this section, "new investment directly related to
- 21 new jobs created by the location or expansion of an eligible
- 22 business under the program" means the cost of machinery and
- 23 equipment, as defined in section 427A.1, subsection 1,
- 24 paragraphs "e" and "j", purchased for use in the operation of
- 25 the eligible business, the purchase price of which has been
- 26 depreciated in accordance with generally accepted accounting
- 27 principles, and the cost of improvements made to real property
- 28 which is used in the operation of the eligible business and
- 29 which-receives-a-partial-property-tax-exemption-for-the-actual
- 30 value-added-under-section-15:332.
- 31 Sec. 2. Section 15E.193B, subsection 2, Code 2001, is
- 32 amended to read as follows:
- 33 2. An eligible housing business under this section
- 34 includes a housing developer, housing contractor, or nonprofit
- 35 organization that builds or rehabilitates a minimum of four

1 single-family homes with-a-value,-after-completion-of-the 2 building-or-rehabilitation; -not-exceeding-one-hundred-twenty 3 thousand-dollars-for-each-home located in that part of a city 4 or county in which there is a designated enterprise zone or 5 one multiple dwelling unit building containing three or more 6 individual dwelling units with-a-total-value-per-unit,-after 7 completion-of-the-building-or-rehabilitation,-not-exceeding 8 one-hundred-twenty-thousand-dollars located in that part of a 9 city or county in which there is a designated enterprise zone. Sec. 3. Section 15E.193B, subsection 6, paragraph a, Code 11 2001, is amended to read as follows: a. An eligible housing business may claim a tax credit up 13 to a maximum of ten percent of the new investment which is 14 directly related to the building or rehabilitating of a 15 minimum of four single-family homes located in that part of a 16 city or county in which there is a designated enterprise zone 17 or one multiple dwelling unit building containing three or 18 more individual dwelling units located in that part of a city 19 or county in which there is a designated enterprise zone. 20 new investment that may be used to compute the tax credit 21 shall not exceed the new investment used for the first one 22 hundred forty thousand dollars of value for each single-family 23 home or for each unit of a multiple dwelling unit building 24 containing three or more units. The tax credit may be used to 25 reduce the tax liability imposed under chapter 422, division 26 II, III, or V. Any credit in excess of the tax liability for 27 the tax year may be credited to the tax liability for the 28 following seven years or until depleted, whichever occurs 29 earlier. If the business is a partnership, S corporation, 30 limited liability company, cooperative organized under chapter 31 501 and filing as a partnership for federal tax purposes, or 32 estate or trust electing to have the income taxed directly to 33 the individual, an individual may claim the tax credit 34 allowed. The amount claimed by the individual shall be based 35 upon the pro rata share of the individual's earnings of the

- 1 partnership, S corporation, limited liability company,
- 2 cooperative organized under chapter 501 and filing as a
- 3 partnership for federal tax purposes, or estate or trust.
- 4 Sec. 4. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 15E.193C ELIGIBLE DEVELOPMENT
- 5 BUSINESS.
- 6 1. A development business qualifying under this section is
- 7 eligible to receive incentives and assistance only as provided
- 8 in this section. Sections 15E.193, 15E.193B, and 15E.196 do
- 9 not apply to an eligible development business qualifying under
- 10 this section.
- 11 2. An eligible development business includes a developer
- 12 or development contractor that constructs, expands, or
- 13 rehabilitates a building space with a minimum capital
- 14 investment of at least five hundred thousand dollars in that
- 15 part of a city or county in which there is a designated
- 16 enterprise zone. An eligible development business is eligible
- 17 for one, but not both, of the following exemptions to the
- 18 capital investment requirements:
- 19 a. For an eligible development business purchasing a
- 20 vacant building suitable for industrial use, the fair market
- 21 value of the building and land, not to exceed two hundred
- 22 fifty thousand dollars, as determined by the local enterprise
- 23 zone commission, shall be deducted from the capital investment
- 24 requirement.
- 25 b. For an eligible development business that rehabilitates
- 26 a building space that has been in an enterprise zone for at
- 27 least five years, the fair market value as established by an
- 28 appraisal of the building, not to exceed two hundred fifty
- 29 thousand dollars, shall be deducted from the capital
- 30 investment requirement.
- 31 3. Upon completion of the construction, expansion, or
- 32 rehabilitation project by the eligible development business,
- 33 the building space shall not be occupied by a retail business.
- 34 4. An eligible development business shall complete its
- 35 construction, expansion, or rehabilitation within three years

- 1 from the time the eligible development business receives
- 2 approval from the department. The failure to complete
- 3 construction, expansion, or rehabilitation within three years
- 4 shall result in the eligible development business becoming
- 5 ineligible and subject to the repayment requirements and
- 6 penalties provided in subsection 8.
- 7 5. Prior to applying for assistance under this section, an
- 8 eligible development business shall enter into an agreement
- 9 with at least one business for purposes of locating the
- 10 business in all or a portion of the building space for a
- 11 period of at least five years.
- 12 6. An eligible development business shall provide the
- 13 enterprise zone commission with all of the following
- 14 information:
- 15 a. The long-term strategic plan for the development
- 16 business which shall include infrastructure needs and a copy
- 17 of any agreement entered into by the eligible development
- 18 business as required under subsection 5.
- 19 b. Information relating to the benefits the development
- 20 business will bring to the area.
- 21 c. Examples of why the development business should be
- 22 considered or would be considered a good business enterprise.
- d. An affidavit that the development business has not,
- 24 within the last five years, violated state or federal
- 25 environmental and worker safety statutes, rules, and
- 26 regulations or if such violation has occurred that there were
- 27 mitigating circumstances or the violations did not seriously
- 28 affect public health or safety or the environment.
- 7. An eligible development business, which has been
- 30 approved to receive incentives and assistance by the
- 31 department of economic development pursuant to section
- 32 15E.195, shall be eligible to receive all of the following
- 33 incentives and assistance for a period not to exceed ten
- 34 years:
- 35 a. An eligible development business may claim a tax credit

- l up to a maximum of ten percent of the new investment that is
- 2 directly related to the construction, expansion, or
- 3 rehabilitation of building space to be used for manufacturing,
- 4 processing, cold storage, distribution, or office facilities.
- 5 For purposes of this section, "new investment" includes the
- 6 purchase price of land and the cost of improvements made to
- 7 real property. The tax credit may be claimed by an eligible
- 8 development business for the tax year in which the
- 9 construction, expansion, or rehabilitation is completed. The
- 10 tax credit may be used to reduce the tax liability imposed
- 11 under chapter 422, division II, III, or V or chapter 432. Any
- 12 credit in excess of the tax liability for the tax year may be
- 13 credited to the tax liability for the following seven years or
- 14 until depleted, whichever occurs earlier. If the business is
- 15 a partnership, S corporation, limited liability company,
- 16 cooperative organized under chapter 501 and filing as a
- 17 partnership for federal tax purposes, or estate or trust
- 18 electing to have the income taxed directly to the individual,
- 19 an individual may claim the tax credit allowed. The amount
- 20 claimed by the individual shall be based upon the pro rata
- 21 share of the individual's earnings of the partnership, S
- 22 corporation, limited liability company, cooperative organized
- 23 under chapter 501 and filing as a partnership for federal tax
- 24 purposes, or estate or trust.
- 25 b. Sales, services, and use tax refund, as provided in
- 26 section 15.331A.
- 27 c. The county or city for which an eligible enterprise
- 28 zone is certified may exempt from all property taxation all or
- 29 a portion of the value added to the property upon which an
- 30 eligible development business constructs, expands, or
- 31 rehabilitates property in an enterprise zone. The amount of
- 32 value added for purposes of this shall be the amount of the
- 33 increase in assessed valuation of the property following the
- 34 construction, expansion, or rehabilitation by the development
- 35 business in the enterprise zone. If an exemption provided

1 pursuant to this is made applicable to only a portion of the

2 property within an enterprise zone, the definition of that

3 subset of eligible property must be by uniform criteria that

4 further some planning objective established by the city or

5 county enterprise zone commission and approved by the city or

6 county. The exemption may be allowed for a period not to

7 exceed ten years beginning the year the eligible development

8 business enters into an agreement with the county or city to

9 construct, expand, or rehabilitate property in an enterprise

10 zone.

- 11 8. If a development business has received incentives or
- 12 assistance under this section and fails to maintain the
- 13 requirements of this section to be an eligible development
- 14 business, the business is subject to repayment of all or a
- 15 portion of the incentives and assistance that it has received.
- 16 The department of revenue and finance shall have the authority
- 17 to recover the value of state taxes or incentives provided
- 18 under this section. The value of state incentives provided
- 19 under this section includes applicable interest and penalties.
- 20 The department of economic development and the city and
- 21 county, as applicable, shall enter into an agreement with the
- 22 business specifying the method for determining the amount of
- 23 incentives or assistance paid which will be repaid in the
- 24 event of failure to maintain the requirements of this section.
- 25 In addition, a business that fails to maintain the
- 26 requirements of this section shall not receive incentives or
- 27 assistance for each year during which the business is not in
- 28 compliance.
- 9. The department of economic development and the
- 30 department of revenue and finance shall each adopt rules
- 31 pursuant to chapter 17A to jointly administer this section.
- 32 10. An eligible business under section 15E.193 is not
- 33 eligible for incentives and assistance listed in section
- 34 15E.196 if the property is owned, or was previously owned, by
- 35 an approved development business that has received incentives

- 1 and assistance under this section 15E.193C.
- 2 ll. If, within five years of the completion of a
- 3 construction, expansion, or rehabilitation project, the
- 4 development business, or its successor, sells or leases any
- 5 space to any retail business, the development business shall
- 6 proportionally refund any tax credits, refunds, or exemptions
- 7 which were claimed under this section.
- 8 Sec. 5. Section 15E.194, subsection 4, Code 2001, is
- 9 amended to read as follows:
- 10 4. A city of any size or any county may designate an
- 11 enterprise zone at any time prior to July 1, 2010, when a
- 12 business closure occurs involving the loss of full-time
- 13 employees, not including retail employees, at one place of
- 14 business totaling at least one thousand employees or four
- 15 percent or more of the county's resident labor force based on
- 16 the most recent annual resident labor force statistics from
- 17 the department of workforce development, whichever is lower.
- 18 The enterprise zone may be established on the property of the
- 19 place of business that has closed and the enterprise zone may
- 20 include an area up to an additional one-mile five miles
- 21 adjacent to the property. The area meeting the requirements
- 22 for enterprise zone eligibility under this subsection shall
- 23 not be included for the purpose of determining the area
- 24 limitation pursuant to section 15E.192, subsection 4. The
- 25 area included in an enterprise zone designated under this
- 26 subsection on or after June 1, 2000, may be amended to change
- 27 the boundaries of the enterprise zone. Such an amendment must
- 28 be approved by the department within three years of the date
- 29 the enterprise zone was certified.
- 30 Sec. 6. Section 15E.195, Code 2001, is amended to read as
- 31 follows:
- 32 15E.195 ENTERPRISE ZONE COMMISSION.
- 33 1. A county which designates an enterprise zone pursuant
- 34 to section 15E.194, subsection 1, and in which an eligible
- 35 enterprise zone is certified shall establish an enterprise

- l zone commission to review applications from qualified
- 2 businesses located within or requesting to locate within an
- 3 enterprise zone designated pursuant to section 15E.194,
- 4 subsection 1, to receive incentives or assistance as provided
- 5 in section 15E.196. The enterprise zone commission shall also
- 6 review applications from qualified housing businesses
- 7 requesting to receive incentives or assistance as provided in
- 8 section 15E.193B. The enterprise zone commission shall also
- 9 review applications from qualified development businesses
- 10 requesting to receive incentives or assistance as provided in
- 11 section 15E.193C. The commission shall consist of nine
- 12 members. Five of these members shall consist of one
- 13 representative of the board of supervisors, one member with
- 14 economic development expertise chosen by the department of
- 15 economic development, one representative of the county zoning
- 16 board, one member of the local community college board of
- 17 directors, and one representative of the local workforce
- 18 development center. These five members shall select the
- 19 remaining four members. If the enterprise zone consists of an
- 20 area meeting the requirements for eligibility for an urban or
- 21 rural enterprise community under Title XIII of the federal
- 22 Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993, one of the
- 23 remaining four members shall be a representative of that
- 24 community. A county shall have only one enterprise zone
- 25 commission to review applications for incentives and
- 26 assistance for businesses located within or requesting to
- 27 locate within a certified enterprise zone designated pursuant
- 28 to section 15E.194, subsection 1.
- 29 2. A city with a population of twenty-four thousand or
- 30 more which designates an enterprise zone pursuant to section
- 31 15E.194, subsection 2, and in which an eligible enterprise
- 32 zone is certified shall establish an enterprise zone
- 33 commission to review applications from qualified businesses
- 34 located within or requesting to locate within an enterprise
- 35 zone to receive incentives or assistance as provided in

- 1 section 15E.196. The enterprise zone commission shall review 2 applications from qualified housing businesses requesting to 3 receive incentives or assistance as provided in section 4 15E.193B. The enterprise zone commission shall also review 5 applications from qualified development businesses requesting 6 to receive incentives or assistance as provided in section 7 15E.193C. The commission shall consist of nine members. 8 of these members shall consist of one representative of an 9 international labor organization, one member with economic 10 development expertise chosen by the department of economic 11 development, one representative of the city council, one 12 member of the local community college board of directors, one 13 member of the city planning and zoning commission, and one 14 representative of the local workforce development center. 15 These six members shall select the remaining three members. 16 If the enterprise zone consists of an area meeting the 17 requirements for eligibility for an urban enterprise community 18 under Title XIII of the federal Omnibus Budget Reconciliation 19 Act of 1993, one of the remaining three members shall be a 20 representative of that community. If a city contiguous to the 21 city designating the enterprise zone is included in an 22 enterprise zone, a representative of the contiguous city, 23 chosen by the city council, shall be a member of the 24 commission. A city in which an eligible enterprise zone is 25 certified shall have only one enterprise zone commission. 26 a city has established an enterprise zone commission prior to 27 the effective date of this Act, the city may petition to the
- 30 3. The commission may adopt more stringent requirements, 31 including requirements related to compensation and benefits, 32 for a business to be eligible for incentives or assistance 33 than provided in sections 15E.193, and 15E.193B, and 15E.193C. 34 The commission may develop as an additional requirement that 35 preference in hiring be given to individuals who live within

28 department of economic development to change the structure of

29 the existing commission.

1 the enterprise zone. The commission shall work with the local

- 2 workforce development center to determine the labor
- 3 availability in the area. The commission shall examine and
- 4 evaluate building codes and zoning in the enterprise zone and
- 5 make recommendations to the appropriate governing body in an
- 6 effort to promote more affordable housing development.
- 7 4. If the enterprise zone commission determines that a
- 8 business qualifies and is eligible to receive incentives or
- 9 assistance as provided in either section 15E.193B or-section,
- 10 15E.193C, or 15E.196, the commission shall submit an
- 11 application for incentives or assistance to the department of
- 12 economic development. The department may approve, defer, or
- 13 deny the application.
- 14 5. In making its decision, the commission or department
- 15 shall consider the impact of the eligible business on other
- 16 businesses in competition with it and compare the compensation
- 17 package of businesses in competition with the business being
- 18 considered for incentives or assistance. The commission or
- 19 department shall make a good faith effort to identify existing
- 20 Iowa businesses within an industry in competition with the
- 21 business being considered for incentives or assistance. The
- 22 commission or department shall also make a good faith effort
- 23 to determine the probability that the proposed incentives or
- 24 assistance will displace employees of existing businesses. In
- 25 determining the impact on businesses in competition with the
- 26 business seeking incentives or assistance, jobs created as a
- 27 result of other jobs being displaced elsewhere in the state
- 28 shall not be considered direct jobs created.
- 29 However, if the commission or department finds that an
- 30 eligible business has a record of violations of the law,
- 31 including but not limited to environmental and worker safety
- 32 statutes, rules, and regulations, over a period of time that
- 33 tends to show a consistent pattern, the eligible business
- 34 shall not qualify for incentives or assistance under section
- 35 15E.193B, 15E.193C, or section 15E.196, unless the commission

- 1 or department finds that the violations did not seriously
- 2 affect public health or safety or the environment, or if it
- 3 did that there were mitigating circumstances. In making the
- 4 findings and determinations regarding violations, mitigating
- 5 circumstances, and whether an eligible business is eligible
- 6 for incentives or assistance under section 15E.193B, 15E.193C,
- 7 or section 15E.196, the commission or department shall be
- 8 exempt from chapter 17A. If requested by the commission or
- 9 department, the business shall provide copies of materials
- 10 documenting the type of violation, any fees or penalties
- 11 assessed, court filings, final disposition of any findings and
- 12 any other information which would assist the commission or
- 13 department in assessing the nature of any violation.
- 6. A business that is approved to receive incentives or
- 15 assistance shall, for the length of its designation as an
- 16 enterprise zone business, certify annually to the county or
- 17 city, as applicable, and the department of economic
- 18 development its compliance with the requirements of either
- 19 section 15E.193, or-section 15E.193B, or 15E.193C.
- Sec. 7. Section 15E.196, Code 2001, is amended by adding
- 21 the following new subsection:
- 22 NEW SUBSECTION. 7. A business eligible to receive
- 23 incentives and assistance described in this section and
- 24 located in a building for which incentives and assistance are
- 25 or have been claimed by an approved development business under
- 26 section 15E.193C is not eligible to receive the following
- 27 incentives and assistance:
- 28 a. An investment tax credit under subsection 3 for the
- 29 portion of the investment tax credit that is claimed on the
- 30 purchase price of land or improvements to real property by an
- 31 approved development business pursuant to section 15E.193C,
- 32 subsection 7, paragraph "a".
- 33 b. Sales, services, and use tax refund under subsection 2
- 34 that is made pursuant to section 15E.193C, subsection 7,
- 35 paragraph "b".

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c. A property tax exemption under subsection 5 for
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2 improvements to real property that are exempted from property
3 taxation pursuant to section 15E.193C, subsection 7, paragraph
4 "c".
     Sec. 8. RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY. This Act is
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6 retroactively applicable to January 1, 2001, and is applicable
7 on and after that date.
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- 1 Amend House File 349, as amended, passed, and 2 reprinted by the House, as follows:
- 3 1. Page 1, by striking lines 11 and 12, and 4 inserting the following: "company, or estate or 5 trust".
- 6 2. Page 1, by striking lines 18 and 19, and 7 inserting the following: "or estate or trust. For".
- 8 3. By striking page 1, line 31, through page 3, 9 line 3.
- 10 4. Page 5, by striking lines 16 and 17, and
- 11 inserting the following: "or estate or trust".
- 12 5. Page 5, by striking lines 22 through 24, and
- 13 inserting the following: "corporation, limited 14 liability company, or estate or trust."
- 15 6. Page 7, by striking lines 8 through 29.
- 16 7. By renumbering as necessary.

By JOHN REDWINE

S-3409 FILED APRIL 19, 2001 *NOD S/2/01* (*f.* 1464)

HOUSE FILE 349

S-3475

- 1 Amend House File 349, as amended, passed, and 2 reprinted by the House, as follows:
- 3 1. Page 1, by striking lines 11 and 12, and
- 4 inserting the following: "company, or estate or 5 trust".
- 6 2. Page 1, by striking lines 18 and 19, and
- 7 inserting the following: "or estate or trust. For".
- 8 3. Page 2, by striking lines 30 and 31 and
- 9 inserting the following: "limited liability company, 10 or".
- 11 4. Page 3, by striking lines 2 and 3 and
- 12 inserting the following: "or estate or trust."
- 13 5. Page 5, by striking lines 16 and 17, and
- 14 inserting the following: "or estate or trust".
- 15 6. Page 5, by striking lines 22 through 24, and
- 16 inserting the following: "corporation, limited
- 17 liability company, or estate or trust."
- 7. Page 7, by striking lines 8 through 29.
- 19 8. By renumbering as necessary.

By JOHN REDWINE

S-3475 FILED APRIL 24, 2001 adapted 5/2/01 (f. 1464)

A fiscal note for **House File 349 as amended by Senate Amendment S-3475** is hereby submitted pursuant to Joint Rule 17. Data used in developing this fiscal note is available from the Legislative Fiscal Bureau to members of the Legislature upon request.

House File 349, as amended by Senate Amendment S-3475, amends the Enterprise Zone Program and creates a new type of eligible business. A development business is eligible for incentives and assistance if the business constructs, expands, or rehabilitates a building space with a minimum capital investment of at least \$500,000. The development business is required to have at least a five-year agreement for a non-retail business to locate in the building. Repayment of incentives is required if the development business fails to meet the Program requirements. A business locating in the building for which the development business receives incentives can receive reduced incentives, but it cannot receive incentives which are already being paid to the development business.

The Bill as amended also would change the housing business portion of the Enterprise Zone Program to eliminate the \$120,000 maximum limit for a single-family home or each unit of a multiple dwelling apartment building containing three or more units. The new investment may be used to compute a tax credit of up to \$140,000 of the investment.

ASSUMPTIONS

- 1. The number of projects will increase by 10.0% because of including development businesses.
- 2. Development businesses will receive investment tax credit only on construction costs and not for machinery and equipment costs or research and development. This is estimated to be 36.5% of the average tax credits and refunds currently claimed by a business project.
- 3. Administrative costs will be absorbed by the Department of Economic Development utilizing existing staff.
- 4. Some portion of the tax credits will be offset by new taxes generated by the construction and expansion projects. The amount of the offset cannot be determined from available information.
- 5. Removing the cap on the value of the eligible housing or rental units is expected to have a minimal impact. The average value (\$82,000) is currently well below the cap.

FISCAL IMPACT

House File 349, as amended by Senate Amendment S-3475, is not expected to create tax credits in FY 2002 due to the lag in approval by the Department of Economic Development and in filing for tax credits. The change is projected to create \$60,000 in tax credits in FY 2003 and decrease General Fund revenues by a similar amount. The change regarding the cap on the value of eligible

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housing and rental units is expected to have a minimal impact.

SOURCE

Department of Economic Development

(LSB 1760HV.5, MDF)

HOUSE FILE 349

s-3600

4 following:

- 1 Amend House File 349, as amended, passed, and
- 2 reprinted by the House, as follows:
 3 1. Page 3, by inserting after line 3, the
- 5 "Sec. 500. Section 15E.193B, subsection 6,
- 6 paragraph b, Code 2001, is amended to read as follows:
- 7 b. Sales, services, and use tax refund for taxes
- 8 paid by an eligible business including an eligible
- O business nating as a contractor or subcontractor
- 9 business acting as a contractor or subcontractor, as 10 provided in section 15.331A."
- 11 2. Page 12, by striking line 5, and inserting the 12 following:
- "Sec. . RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY.
- 14 1. Section 500 of this Act, being deemed of
- 15 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment and
- 16 is retroactively applicable to July 1, 1998.
- 2. With the exception of section 500 of this Act,
- 18 this Act is".
- 19 3. Title page, lines 1 and 2, by striking the
- 20 words "a retroactive applicability date" and inserting
- 21 the following: "effective date and retroactive
- 22 applicability date provisions".
- 23 4. By renumbering as necessary.

By SANDRA GREINER STEVE KING

S-3600 FILED MAY 2, 2001

ADOPTED

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HOUSE FILE 349

S-3614

- 1 Amend the amendment, S-3409, to House File 349, as
- 2 amended, passed, and reprinted by the House, as
- 3 follows:
- 4 1. Page 1, by striking line 15 and inserting the
- 5 following:
- 6 "____. Page 7, line 20, by striking the word
- 7 "five" and inserting the following: "three".
- 8 ____. Page 7, line 29, by inserting after the word
- 9 "certified." the following: "In enterprise zones
- 10 designated pursuant to this subsection, only an
- 11 eligible business under section 15E.193 shall be
- 12 eligible for incentives and assistance.""
- 2. By renumbering as necessary.

By MARK SHEARER

S-3614 FILED MAY 2, 2001

RULED OUT OF ORDER

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HOUSE FILE 349

S-3616

Amend the amendment, S-3475, to House File 349, as 2 amended, passed, and reprinted by the House, as 3 follows:

4 1. Page 1, by striking line 18 and inserting the 5 following:

6 "___. Page 7, line 20, by striking the word 7 "five" and inserting the following: "three".

8 ___. Page 7, line 29, by inserting after the word 9 "certified." the following: "In enterprise zones designated pursuant to this subsection, only an eligible business under section 15E.193 shall be

11 eligible business under section 15E.193 sn 12 eligible for incentives and assistance.""

2. By renumbering as necessary.

By MARK SHEARER

S-3616 FILED MAY 2, 2001 LOST

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SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE FILE

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Amend House File 349, as amended, passed, and 2 reprinted by the House, as follows:

- 1. Page 1, by striking lines 11 and 12, and 4 inserting the following: "company, or estate or 5 trust".
- 6 2. Page 1, by striking lines 18 and 19, and 7 inserting the following: "or estate or trust.
- 3. Page 2, by striking lines 30 and 31 and 9 inserting the following: "limited liability company, 10 or".
- 11 4. Page 3, by striking lines 2 and 3 and 12 inserting the following: "or estate or trust."
- 13 5. Page 3, by inserting after line 3, the 14 following:

"Sec. 500. Section 15E.193B, subsection 6,

- 16 paragraph b, Code 2001, is amended to read as follows:
- b. Sales, services, and use tax refund for taxes 17 18 paid by an eligible business including an eligible 19 business acting as a contractor or subcontractor, as 20 provided in section 15.331A."
- 21 6. Page 5, by striking lines 16 and 17, and "or estate or trust". 22 inserting the following:
- 23 7. Page 5, by striking lines 22 through 24, and 24 inserting the following: "corporation, limited 25 liability company, or estate or trust."
- 8. Page 7, by striking lines 8 through 29. 26
- 27 9. Page 12, by striking line 5, and inserting the 28 following:

"Sec. . RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY.

- 1. Section 500 of this Act, being deemed of 30 31 immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment and 32 is retroactively applicable to July 1, 1998.
- 2. With the exception of section 500 of this Act, 34 this Act is".
- 10. Title page, lines 1 and 2, by striking the 36 words "a retroactive applicability date" and inserting 37 the following: "effective date and retroactive

38 applicability date provisions".

By renumbering, relettering, or redesignating 40 and correcting internal references as necessary. RECEIVED FROM THE SENATE

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FILED MAY 2, 2001 Concurred 5/3/01 (p. 1813)

A fiscal note for **House File 349 as amended and passed by the Senate** is hereby submitted pursuant to Joint Rule 17. Data used in developing this fiscal note is available from the Legislative Fiscal Bureau to members of the Legislature upon request.

House File 349 as amended and passed by the Senate changes the Enterprise Zone Program and creates a new type of eligible business. A development business is eligible for incentives and assistance if the business constructs, expands, or rehabilitates a building space with a minimum capital investment of at least \$500,000. The development business is required to have at least a five-year agreement for a non-retail business to locate in the building. Repayment of incentives is required if the development business fails to meet the Program requirements. A business locating in the building for which the development business receives incentives can receive reduced incentives, but it cannot receive incentives which are already being paid to the development business.

The Bill as amended and passed by the Senate also would change the housing business portion of the Enterprise Zone Program to eliminate the \$120,000 maximum limit for a single-family home or each unit of a multiple dwelling apartment building containing three or more units. The new investment may be used to compute a tax credit of up to \$140,000 of the investment.

The Bill amends the housing business section of the Enterprise Zone Program to clarify eligibility for tax credits and makes the clarification retroactive to 1998.

BACKGROUND

In regard to the clarification of eligibility of a housing business, a \$400,000 housing project received approval from the Department of Economic Development in 1998. The business acted as its own subcontractor for the project. The Department of Revenue and Finance ruled that the business did not qualify as a contractor or subcontractor for sales, services, and use tax refund under Section 15.331A, Code of Iowa. The project did not receive tax credits.

ASSUMPTIONS

- The number of projects will increase by 10.0% because of including development businesses.
- 2. Development businesses will receive investment tax credits only on construction costs and not for machinery and equipment costs or research and development. This is estimated to be 36.5% of the average tax credits and refunds currently claimed by a business project.
- 3. Administrative costs will be absorbed by the Department of Economic Development utilizing existing staff.
- 4. Some portion of the tax credits will be offset by new taxes generated by the construction and expansion projects. The amount of the offset cannot

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be determined from available information.

- 5. Removing the cap on the value of the eligible housing or rental units is expected to have a minimal impact. The average value (\$82,000) is currently well below the cap.
- The \$400,000 housing project will generate \$40,000 in tax credits. The project will be completed in FY 2002, and the business will receive the tax credits.

FISCAL IMPACT

House File 349 as amended and passed by the Senate will create \$40,000 in tax credits in FY 2002 due to the change regarding a housing business acting as its own contractor or subcontractor. FY 2002 General Fund revenues will decrease by a similar amount.

The change affecting development businesses is not expected to create tax credits in FY 2002 due to the lag in approval by the Department of Economic Development and in filing for tax credits. The change is projected to create \$60,000 in tax credits in FY 2003 and decrease General Fund revenues by a similar amount.

The change regarding the cap on the value of eligible housing and rental units is expected to have a minimal impact.

SOURCE

Department of Economic Development

(LSB 1760hv.6, MDF)

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HOUSE FILE 349

AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ENTERPRISE ZONE PROGRAM AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATE AND RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY DATE PROVISIONS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. Section 15.333, subsection 1, Code 2001, is amended to read as follows:

1. An eligible business may claim a corporate tax credit up to a maximum of ten percent of the new investment which is directly related to new jobs created by the location or expansion of an eligible business under the program. Any credit in excess of the tax liability for the tax year may be credited to the tax liability for the following seven years or until depleted, whichever occurs earlier. If the business is a partnership, subchapter S corporation, limited liability company, or estate or trust electing to have the income taxed directly to the individual, an individual may claim the tax credit allowed. The amount claimed by the individual shall be based upon the pro rata share of the individual's earnings of the partnership, subchapter S corporation, limited liability company, or estate or trust. For purposes of this section, "new investment directly related to new jobs created by the location or expansion of an eligible business under the program" means the cost of machinery and equipment, as defined in section 427A.1, subsection 1, paragraphs "e" and "j", purchased for use in the operation of the eligible business, the purchase price of which has been depreciated in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and the cost of improvements made to real property which is used in the operation of the eligible business and-which-receives-a partial-property-tax-exemption-for-the-actual-value-added under-section-15-332.

- Sec. 2. Section 15E.193B, subsection 2, Code 2001, is amended to read as follows:
- 2. An eligible housing business under this section includes a housing developer, housing contractor, or nonprofit organization that builds or rehabilitates a minimum of four single-family homes with-a-value,-after-completion-of-the building-or-rehabilitationy-not-exceeding-one-hundred-twenty thousand-dollars-for-each-home located in that part of a city or county in which there is a designated enterprise zone or one multiple dwelling unit building containing three or more individual dwelling units with-a-total-value-per-unity-after completion-of-the-building-or-rehabilitation,-not-exceeding one-hundred-twenty-thousand-dollars located in that part of a city or county in which there is a designated enterprise zone. Sec. 3. Section 15E.193B, subsection 6, paragraph a, Code
- 2001, is amended to read as follows:
- a. An eligible housing business may claim a tax credit up to a maximum of ten percent of the new investment which is directly related to the building or rehabilitating of a minimum of four single-family homes located in that part of a city or county in which there is a designated enterprise zone or one multiple dwelling unit building containing three or more individual dwelling units located in that part of a city or county in which there is a designated enterprise zone. The new investment that may be used to compute the tax credit shall not exceed the new investment used for the first one hundred forty thousand dollars of value for each single-family home or for each unit of a multiple dwelling unit building containing three or more units. The tax credit may be used to reduce the tax liability imposed under chapter 422, division II, III, or V. Any credit in excess of the tax liability for the tax year may be credited to the tax liability for the following seven years or until depleted, whichever occurs earlier. If the business is a partnership, S corporation, limited liability company, or estate or trust electing to have the income taxed directly to the individual, an individual may claim the tax credit allowed. The amount claimed by the

individual shall be based upon the pro rata share of the individual's earnings of the partnership, S corporation, limited liability company, or estate or trust.

- Sec. 4. Section 15E.193B, subsection 6, paragraph b, Code 2001, is amended to read as follows:
- b. Sales, services, and use tax refund for taxes paid by an eligible business including an eligible business acting as a contractor or subcontractor, as provided in section 15.331A.
- Sec. 5. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 15E.193C ELIGIBLE DEVELOPMENT BUSINESS.
- 1. A development business qualifying under this section is eligible to receive incentives and assistance only as provided in this section. Sections 15E.193, 15E.193B, and 15E.196 do not apply to an eligible development business qualifying under this section.
- 2. An eligible development business includes a developer or development contractor that constructs, expands, or rehabilitates a building space with a minimum capital investment of at least five hundred thousand dollars in that part of a city or county in which there is a designated enterprise zone. An eligible development business is eligible for one, but not both, of the following exemptions to the capital investment requirements:
- a. For an eligible development business purchasing a vacant building suitable for industrial use, the fair market value of the building and land, not to exceed two hundred fifty thousand dollars, as determined by the local enterprise zone commission, shall be deducted from the capital investment requirement.
- b. For an eligible development business that rehabilitates a building space that has been in an enterprise zone for at least five years, the fair market value as established by an appraisal of the building, not to exceed two hundred fifty thousand dollars, shall be deducted from the capital investment requirement.
- 3. Upon completion of the construction, expansion, or rehabilitation project by the eligible development business, the building space shall not be occupied by a retail business.

- 4. An eligible development business shall complete its construction, expansion, or rehabilitation within three years from the time the eligible development business receives approval from the department. The failure to complete construction, expansion, or rehabilitation within three years shall result in the eligible development business becoming ineligible and subject to the repayment requirements and penalties provided in subsection 8.
- 5. Prior to applying for assistance under this section, an eligible development business shall enter into an agreement with at least one business for purposes of locating the business in all or a portion of the building space for a period of at least five years.
- 6. An eligible development business shall provide the enterprise zone commission with all of the following information:
- a. The long-term strategic plan for the development business which shall include infrastructure needs and a copy of any agreement entered into by the eligible development business as required under subsection 5.
- b. Information relating to the benefits the development business will bring to the area.
- c. Examples of why the development business should be considered or would be considered a good business enterprise.
- d. An affidavit that the development business has not, within the last five years, violated state or federal environmental and worker safety statutes, rules, and regulations or if such violation has occurred that there were mitigating circumstances or the violations did not seriously affect public health or safety or the environment.
- 7. An eligible development business, which has been approved to receive incentives and assistance by the department of economic development pursuant to section 15E.195, shall be eligible to receive all of the following incentives and assistance for a period not to exceed ten years:

- a. An eligible development business may claim a tax credit up to a maximum of ten percent of the new investment that is directly related to the construction, expansion, or rehabilitation of building space to be used for manufacturing, processing, cold storage, distribution, or office facilities. For purposes of this section, "new investment" includes the purchase price of land and the cost of improvements made to real property. The tax credit may be claimed by an eligible development business for the tax year in which the construction, expansion, or rehabilitation is completed. The tax credit may be used to reduce the tax liability imposed under chapter 422, division II, III, or V or chapter 432. Any credit in excess of the tax liability for the tax year may be credited to the tax liability for the following seven years or until depleted, whichever occurs earlier. If the business is a partnership, S corporation, limited liability company, or estate or trust electing to have the income taxed directly to the individual, an individual may claim the tax credit allowed. The amount claimed by the individual shall be based upon the pro rata share of the individual's earnings of the partnership, S corporation, limited liability company, or estate or trust.
- b. Sales, services, and use tax refund, as provided in section 15.331A.
- c. The county or city for which an eligible enterprise zone is certified may exempt from all property taxation all or a portion of the value added to the property upon which an eligible development business constructs, expands, or rehabilitates property in an enterprise zone. The amount of value added for purposes of this shall be the amount of the increase in assessed valuation of the property following the construction, expansion, or rehabilitation by the development business in the enterprise zone. If an exemption provided pursuant to this is made applicable to only a portion of the property within an enterprise zone, the definition of that subset of eligible property must be by uniform criteria that further some planning objective established by the city or

- county enterprise zone commission and approved by the city or county. The exemption may be allowed for a period not to exceed ten years beginning the year the eligible development business enters into an agreement with the county or city to construct, expand, or rehabilitate property in an enterprise zone.
- 8. If a development business has received incentives or assistance under this section and fails to maintain the requirements of this section to be an eligible development business, the business is subject to repayment of all or a portion of the incentives and assistance that it has received. The department of revenue and finance shall have the authority to recover the value of state taxes or incentives provided under this section. The value of state incentives provided under this section includes applicable interest and penalties. The department of economic development and the city and county, as applicable, shall enter into an agreement with the business specifying the method for determining the amount of incentives or assistance paid which will be repaid in the event of failure to maintain the requirements of this section. In addition, a business that fails to maintain the requirements of this section shall not receive incentives or assistance for each year during which the business is not in compliance.
- 9. The department of economic development and the department of revenue and finance shall each adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A to jointly administer this section.
- 10. An eligible business under section 15E.193 is not eligible for incentives and assistance listed in section 15E.196 if the property is owned, or was previously owned, by an approved development business that has received incentives and assistance under this section 15E.193C.
- 11. If, within five years of the completion of a construction, expansion, or rehabilitation project, the development business, or its successor, sells or leases any space to any retail business, the development business shall proportionally refund any tax credits, refunds, or exemptions which were claimed under this section.

- Sec. 6. Section 15E.195, Code 2001, is amended to read as follows:
 - 15E.195 ENTERPRISE ZONE COMMISSION.
- 1. A county which designates an enterprise zone pursuant to section 15E.194, subsection 1, and in which an eligible enterprise zone is certified shall establish an enterprise zone commission to review applications from qualified businesses located within or requesting to locate within an enterprise zone designated pursuant to section 15E.194, subsection 1, to receive incentives or assistance as provided in section 15E.196. The enterprise zone commission shall also review applications from qualified housing businesses requesting to receive incentives or assistance as provided in section 15E.193B. The enterprise zone commission shall also review applications from qualified development businesses requesting to receive incentives or assistance as provided in section 15E.193C. The commission shall consist of nine members. Five of these members shall consist of one representative of the board of supervisors, one member with economic development expertise chosen by the department of economic development, one representative of the county zoning board, one member of the local community college board of directors, and one representative of the local workforce development center. These five members shall select the remaining four members. If the enterprise zone consists of an area meeting the requirements for eligibility for an urban or rural enterprise community under Title XIII of the federal Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993, one of the remaining four members shall be a representative of that community. A county shall have only one enterprise zone commission to review applications for incentives and assistance for businesses located within or requesting to locate within a certified enterprise zone designated pursuant to section 15E.194, subsection 1.
- 2. A city with a population of twenty-four thousand or more which designates an enterprise zone pursuant to section 15E.194, subsection 2, and in which an eligible enterprise

- zone is certified shall establish an enterprise zone commission to review applications from qualified businesses located within or requesting to locate within an enterprise zone to receive incentives or assistance as provided in section 15E.196. The enterprise zone commission shall review applications from qualified housing businesses requesting to receive incentives or assistance as provided in section 15E.193B. The enterprise zone commission shall also review applications from qualified development businesses requesting to receive incentives or assistance as provided in section 15E.193C. The commission shall consist of nine members. Six of these members shall consist of one representative of an international labor organization, one member with economic development expertise chosen by the department of economic development, one representative of the city council, one member of the local community college board of directors, one member of the city planning and zoning commission, and one representative of the local workforce development center. These six members shall select the remaining three members. If the enterprise zone consists of an area meeting the requirements for eligibility for an urban enterprise community under Title XIII of the federal Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993, one of the remaining three members shall be a representative of that community. If a city contiguous to the city designating the enterprise zone is included in an enterprise zone, a representative of the contiquous city, chosen by the city council, shall be a member of the commission. A city in which an eligible enterprise zone is certified shall have only one enterprise zone commission. If a city has established an enterprise zone commission prior to the effective date of this Act, the city may petition to the department of economic development to change the structure of the existing commission.
- 3. The commission may adopt more stringent requirements, including requirements related to compensation and benefits, for a business to be eligible for incentives or assistance than provided in sections 15E.193, and 15E.193B, and 15E.193C.

The commission may develop as an additional requirement that preference in hiring be given to individuals who live within the enterprise zone. The commission shall work with the local workforce development center to determine the labor availability in the area. The commission shall examine and evaluate building codes and zoning in the enterprise zone and make recommendations to the appropriate governing body in an effort to promote more affordable housing development.

- 4. If the enterprise zone commission determines that a business qualifies and is eligible to receive incentives or assistance as provided in either section 15E.193B or-section, 15E.193C, or 15E.196, the commission shall submit an application for incentives or assistance to the department of economic development. The department may approve, defer, or deny the application.
- 5. In making its decision, the commission or department shall consider the impact of the eligible business on other businesses in competition with it and compare the compensation package of businesses in competition with the business being considered for incentives or assistance. The commission or department shall make a good faith effort to identify existing Iowa businesses within an industry in competition with the business being considered for incentives or assistance. The commission or department shall also make a good faith effort to determine the probability that the proposed incentives or assistance will displace employees of existing businesses. In determining the impact on businesses in competition with the business seeking incentives or assistance, jobs created as a result of other jobs being displaced elsewhere in the state shall not be considered direct jobs created.

However, if the commission or department finds that an eligible business has a record of violations of the law, including but not limited to environmental and worker safety statutes, rules, and regulations, over a period of time that tends to show a consistent pattern, the eligible business shall not qualify for incentives or assistance under section 15E.193B, 15E.193C, or section 15E.196, unless the commission

or department finds that the violations did not seriously affect public health or safety or the environment, or if it did that there were mitigating circumstances. In making the findings and determinations regarding violations, mitigating circumstances, and whether an eligible business is eligible for incentives or assistance under section 15E.193B, 15E.193C, or section 15E.196, the commission or department shall be exempt from chapter 17A. If requested by the commission or department, the business shall provide copies of materials documenting the type of violation, any fees or penalties assessed, court filings, final disposition of any findings and any other information which would assist the commission or department in assessing the nature of any violation.

- 6. A business that is approved to receive incentives or assistance shall, for the length of its designation as an enterprise zone business, certify annually to the county or city, as applicable, and the department of economic development its compliance with the requirements of either section 15E.193, or-section 15E.193B, or 15E.193C.
- Sec. 7. Section 15E.196, Code 2001, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 7. A business eligible to receive incentives and assistance described in this section and located in a building for which incentives and assistance are or have been claimed by an approved development business under section 15E.193C is not eligible to receive the following incentives and assistance:

- a. An investment tax credit under subsection 3 for the portion of the investment tax credit that is claimed on the purchase price of land or improvements to real property by an approved development business pursuant to section 15E.193C, subsection 7, paragraph "a".
- b. Sales, services, and use tax refund under subsection 2 that is made pursuant to section 15E.193C, subsection 7, paragraph "b".
- c. A property tax exemption under subsection 5 for improvements to real property that are exempted from property

taxation pursuant to section 15E.193C, subsection 7, paragraph "c".

Sec. 8. RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY.

- 1. Section 4 of this Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment and is retroactively applicable to July 1, 1998.
- 2. With the exception of section 4 of this Act, this Act is retroactively applicable to January 1, 2001, and is applicable on and after that date.

BRENT SIEGRIST
Speaker of the House

MARY E. KRAMER
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 349, Seventy-ninth General Assembly.

MARGARET THOMSON

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved 5/16, 2001

THOMAS J. VILSACK

Governor