## Senate File 2063 - Introduced

	SENATE FILE BY HOUSER
	(COMPANION TO HF 2035 BY ANDERSON)
	Passed Senate, Date Passed House, Date Vote: Ayes Nays Nays
	A BILL FOR
2 3 4	An Act relating to certain county distress criteria under the
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1 1 1 1 1 1	3 c. The county has experienced a percentage population loss 4 that ranks among the top twenty=five counties in the state 5 between 1995 and 2000. 6 (1) For purposes of this paragraph "c", prison population 7 shall be excluded in the population loss calculations. 8 (2) If a county not otherwise qualified to participate in 9 the enterprise zone program qualifies as a result of excluding 10 the county's prison population, a business engaged in the 11 production of ethanol or biodiesel in the county, 12 nothwithstanding its status as an eligible business under 13 section 15E.193, shall not be eligible for assistance under 14 section 15E.196.
1	16 This bill relates to certain county distress criteria under
1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	the enterprise zone program.  Currently, an enterprise zone may be designated by a county that meets two of four possible distress criteria. One of the criteria is that the county must have experienced a percentage population loss between 1995 and 2000 that ranks it among the top 25 counties in the state for population loss.  The bill qualifies the population loss criterion by providing that the county's prison population cannot be used in calculating the population.  The bill further provides that ethanol and biodiesel businesses in the county are not eligible for enterprise zone assistance in the form of tax credits, payments, or refunds if the county qualifies for the enterprise zone program only when its prison population is excluded from the calculation.  LSB 5544SS 82