

House Bill 748

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 88 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to  
2 enterprise zones, so as to change certain provisions regarding definitions; to provide for  
3 additional qualifying businesses and services; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other  
4 purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

7 Chapter 88 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to enterprise  
8 zones, is amended by striking Code Section 36-88-3, relating to definitions, and inserting in  
9 its place a new Code Section 36-88-3 to read as follows:

10 "36-88-3.

11 As used in this chapter, the term:

12 (1) 'Ad valorem tax' ~~shall mean~~ means property taxes levied for state, county, or  
13 municipal operating purposes but does not include property taxes imposed by school  
14 districts or property taxes imposed for general obligation debt.

15 (2) 'Business enterprise' means any business ~~which is~~ engaged primarily in retail,  
16 manufacturing, warehousing and distribution, processing, telecommunications, tourism,  
17 research and development industries, new residential construction, and residential  
18 rehabilitation.

19 (3) 'Department' means the Department of Community Affairs.

20 (4) 'Enterprise zone' means the geographic area designated pursuant to Code Section  
21 36-88-5.

22 (5) 'Full-time job equivalent' means a job or jobs with no predetermined end date, with  
23 a regular work week of 30 hours or more, and with the same benefits provided to similar  
24 employees.

25 (6) 'Low-income and moderate-income individual' means a person ~~who is~~ currently:

26 (A) Unemployed or unemployed for three of the six months prior to the date of hire;

- 1 (B) Homeless;
- 2 (C) A resident of public housing;
- 3 (D) Receiving temporary assistance for needy families or who has received temporary  
4 assistance for needy families at any time during the 18 months previous to the date of  
5 hire;
- 6 (E) A participant in the Job Training Partnership Act or who has participated in the Job  
7 Training Partnership Act at any time during the 18 months previous to the date of hire;
- 8 (F) A participant in a job opportunity where basic skills are required or who has  
9 participated in such a job opportunity at any time during the 18 months previous to the  
10 date of hire;
- 11 (G) Receiving supplemental social security income; or
- 12 (H) Receiving food stamps.
- 13 (7) 'New job' means employment for an individual created within an enterprise zone by  
14 a new or expanded qualified business or service enterprise at the time of the initial  
15 staffing of such new or expanded enterprise.
- 16 (8) 'Qualified or qualifying business' means an employer that meets the requirements of  
17 Code Section 36-88-4 and other applicable requirements of this chapter.
- 18 (9) 'Service enterprise' means an entity ~~which is~~ engaged primarily in finance, insurance,  
19 and real estate activity or activities listed under the Standard Industrial Classification  
20 (SIC) Codes 60 through 67 according to the Federal Office of Management and Budget  
21 Standard Industrial Classification Manual, 1987 edition, or engaged primarily in day-care  
22 activities."

23 **SECTION 2.**

24 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.