

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1259

Introduced by Assembly Member Knight

February 18, 2011

An act to amend Section 7071 of the Government Code, relating to economic development.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1259, as introduced, Knight. Enterprise zones.

The Enterprise Zone Act provides for the designation of enterprise zones by the Department of Community Housing and Development, pursuant to which certain entities within a designated enterprise zone may receive regulatory, tax, and other incentives for private investment and employment, and sets forth the findings and declarations of the Legislature in this regard.

This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to these provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 7071 of the Government Code is amended
2 to read:
3 7071. The Legislature finds and declares as follows:
4 (a) The health, safety, and welfare of the people of California
5 depend upon the development, stability, and expansion of private
6 business, industry, and commerce, and there are certain areas within
7 the state that are economically depressed due to a lack of

1 investment in the private sector. Therefore, ~~it is declared to be the~~
2 *Legislature declares that* the purpose of this chapter is to stimulate
3 business and industrial growth in the depressed areas of the state
4 by relaxing regulatory controls that impede private investment.

5 (b) It is in the economic interest of the state to have one strong,
6 combined, and business-friendly incentive program to help attract
7 business and industry to the state, to help retain and expand existing
8 state business and industry, and to create increased job
9 opportunities for all Californians.

10 (c) No enterprise zone shall be designated in which any
11 boundary thereof is drawn in a manner so as to include larger stable
12 businesses or heavily residential areas to the detriment of areas
13 that are truly economically depressed.

14 (d) Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to infringe upon
15 regulations relating to the civil rights, equal employment rights,
16 equal opportunity rights, or fair housing rights of any person.