

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to the One-Stop Business Registration
 3 Portal; amending s. 288.109, F.S.; requiring the
 4 Department of Revenue to maintain a website as part of
 5 the One-Stop Business Registration Portal that
 6 provides certain information; requiring the department
 7 to collect available data and information related to
 8 local government taxes and fees; requiring the
 9 department to request the relevant local government to
 10 provide any otherwise unavailable data and
 11 information; requiring local governments to provide
 12 notice of changes in information collected by the
 13 department; authorizing local government entities to
 14 provide a summary that includes certain information
 15 for the department's web page; providing an effective
 16 date.

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 18 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

19 Section 1. Subsections (5), (6), and (7) of section
 20 288.109, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

21 288.109 One-Stop Business Registration Portal.—

22 (5) As part of the One-Stop Business Registration Portal,
 23 the Department of Revenue shall maintain a website dedicated to
 24 the publication of information and data pertaining to any and
 25 all taxes, fees, and licenses imposed or required by local
 26 government entities for the establishment of a new business or

27 the expansion of an existing business within the state.

28 (a) The Department of Revenue shall collect all relevant
 29 information and data from any sources that are reasonably
 30 available. If certain information and data is not reasonably
 31 available, the Department of Revenue shall request the otherwise
 32 unavailable information and data from the relevant local
 33 government entity.

34 (b) The information and data collected by the Department
 35 of Revenue and made available to the public on the One-Stop
 36 Business Registration Portal shall include, as applicable:

37 1. An indication as to whether the local government entity
 38 is designated as or, either wholly or partially contained
 39 within:

40 a. A rural area of opportunity.

41 b. A foreign trade zone.

42 c. An enterprise zone.

43 2. Current ad valorem millage rates for all relevant
 44 taxing authorities, school districts, and special districts.

45 3. The rate of any local proprietary fees levied by a
 46 local government entity. Such fees may include, but are not
 47 limited to, admissions fees, franchise fees, user fees, and
 48 utility fees.

49 4. The rate of any regulatory fees levied by a local
 50 government entity. Such fees may include, but are not limited
 51 to, building permit fees, impact fees, inspection fees, and
 52 stormwater fees.

53 5. The rate of any special assessments levied by a local
 54 government entity. Such assessments may relate to, but are not
 55 limited to, services associated with beach renourishment and
 56 restoration, downtown redevelopment, solid waste disposal, fire
 57 and rescue services, fire protection, parking facilities, sewer
 58 improvements, stormwater management services, street
 59 improvements, and water and sewer line extensions.

60 6. The rate of any other fees or taxes authorized by the
 61 Legislature and collected by a local government entity. Such
 62 fees or taxes may include, but are not limited to, alcoholic
 63 beverage license taxes, cardroom revenues, fuel taxes, insurance
 64 license taxes, vessel registration fees, oil, gas, and sulfur
 65 production taxes, highway safety fees - redlight cameras,
 66 convention development taxes, green utility fees, local business
 67 taxes, local option food and beverage taxes, motor fuel and
 68 diesel fuel taxes, municipal pari-mutuel taxes, municipal
 69 parking facility space surcharges, municipal resort taxes,
 70 public services taxes, tourist development taxes, tourist impact
 71 taxes.

72 7. A complete schedule for local business taxes, the
 73 categories for which local business taxes are collected, any
 74 cost difference savings if more than one category of local
 75 business tax is required for the same business, and the average
 76 length of time for processing the applications.

77 8. A complete schedule and explanation of any other fees
 78 or taxes that may be imposed by the local government entity that

79 would impact the establishment or expansion of a new business or
 80 new business location, and the average length of time for
 81 processing an application, including the following:
 82 a. Construction licensing fees.
 83 b. Impact fees.
 84 c. Water and sewer connection fees.
 85 d. Stormwater fees and permits, specifically identifying
 86 permitting requirements that exceed the requirements of the
 87 water management district in which the local government entity
 88 is located.
 89 e. Sign ordinance requirements, permits, and fees.
 90 f. Tree and landscape ordinances, permits, and fees.
 91 g. Local licenses required to perform any construction or
 92 specialty trade within the local government entity's
 93 jurisdiction, including the categories of licensure, fees
 94 charged, requirements for competency and testing, and average
 95 length of time for processing an application.
 96 h. A schedule of local fees charged for issuance of
 97 building or demolition permits, including the categories of
 98 permits and fees charged for each, and the average length of
 99 time for reviewing and processing each type of application.
 100 i. Local fees charged for any other application for new
 101 developments and the average length of time for reviewing and
 102 processing each type of application.
 103 9. For each of the permits or fees imposed, whether the
 104 application and fee information can be obtained from the local

105 government entity's website.

106 (c) Local government entities shall provide notice to the
107 Department of Revenue of any factor, such as the elimination of,
108 addition of, or change in any items specified in paragraph (b),
109 as soon as practicable.

110 (d) Local government entities may provide to the
111 Department of Revenue a summary of 1,500 words or less which
112 shall be included on the One-Stop Business Registration Portal
113 stating the advantages to businesses that exist within the area
114 of the local government entity and including a link to the local
115 government entity's website. The summary may include quality of
116 life considerations or other factors that, in the determination
117 of the local government entity, create conditions that are
118 favorable to business creation or expansion.

119 (6) By January 1 of each year, beginning in 2013, the
120 Department of Revenue shall submit a report to the Governor, the
121 President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of
122 Representatives on the implementation of the One-Stop Business
123 Registration Portal. The report must include a complete and
124 detailed description of the department's activities and
125 accomplishments related to implementation of the One-Stop
126 Business Registration Portal during the previous calendar year.
127 The report must also include a plan for expansion of the One-
128 Stop Business Registration Portal to allow individuals and
129 businesses to submit applications through the portal for various
130 licenses, registrations, or permits issued by local governments.

131 The report may also include recommendations for improving the
132 effectiveness of the One-Stop Business Registration Portal and
133 increasing participation by state departments and agencies and
134 local governments.

135 (7)~~(6)~~ The Department of Revenue may provide information
136 relative to this section to each state department or agency and
137 local government that, in the conduct of its official duties,
138 participates in the One-Stop Business Registration Portal.
139 However, to the extent that such information is not otherwise
140 confidential, information collected from an individual or
141 business by a state department or agency or local government
142 does not become confidential solely because the information is
143 collected through the One-Stop Business Registration Portal.

144 (8)~~(7)~~ The Department of Revenue may adopt rules to
145 administer this section.

146 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015.