

102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2021 and 2022 HB0367

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

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Creates the Community Improvement Land Bank Act. Provides for the creation of community improvement land banks by a county, municipality, or township, or any combination of those units, for the main purposes of advancing, encouraging, and promoting the industrial, economic, commercial, and civic development of a community or area and facilitating the reclamation, rehabilitation, and reutilization of vacant, abandoned, tax-foreclosed, or other real property within the county, municipality, or township for whose benefit the land bank is being organized. Provides procedures for creating the community improvement land banks, the powers of a land bank (including to purchase and sell tax delinquent properties), and the creation and composition of the board of directors of land banks. Limits the liability of the community improvement land banks. Allows the county, municipality, or township to have the land bank create a land reutilization program to facilitate the effective reutilization of nonproductive land situated within its boundaries and contains requirements of such a program. Defines terms. Amends various Acts and Codes making conforming changes. Effective Immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning local government.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- 4 Article 1. General Provisions.
- Section 1-1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Community Improvement Land Bank Act.
- 7 Section 1-5. Definitions. As used in this Act:
- "Abandoned property" means real property previously used for, or that has the potential to be used for, commercial or industrial purposes that reverted to the ownership of the State, a county, a municipality, or a township, through donation, purchase, tax delinquency, foreclosure, default, or
- 13 settlement, including conveyance by deed in lieu of
- 14 foreclosure; or privately owned property that has been vacant
- for a period of not less than 3 years.
- "Community improvement land bank" or "land bank" means an
- 17 economic development land bank or a county land reutilization
- 18 land bank.
- 19 "County land reutilization land bank" means a land bank
- organized for the purposes described in paragraph (2) of
- 21 subsection (a) of Section 5-5.
- 22 "Economic development land bank" means a land bank

- 1 organized for the purposes described in paragraph (1) of
- 2 subsection (a) of Section 5-5.
- 3 "Delinquent land" means property deemed delinquent under
- 4 Article 21 of the Property Tax Code.
- 5 "Governmental unit" means a county, municipality, or
- 6 township.
- 7 "Land reutilization program" means the procedures and
- 8 activities concerning the acquisition, management, and
- 9 disposition of affected delinquent lands set forth in Sections
- 10 10-5 through 10-70.
- "Land within a reutilization unit's boundaries" means land
- 12 within each county, municipality, or township which created
- 13 the reutilization unit.
- 14 "Minimum bid" means a bid in an amount equal to the sum of
- 15 the taxes, assessments, charges, penalties, and interest due
- 16 and payable on the parcel as noted in the certificate of
- 17 correctness under Section 21-195 of the Property Tax Code and
- 18 prior to the transfer of the deed of the parcel to the
- 19 purchaser following confirmation of sale, plus the costs of
- 20 foreclosure or forfeiture proceedings against the property.
- "Nonproductive land" means a parcel of delinquent land
- 22 against which a foreclosure or forfeiture proceeding under
- 23 Article 21 of the Property Tax Code has been instituted and to
- 24 which one of the following criteria applies:
- 25 (1) there are no buildings or structures located on
- 26 the land;

- 1 (2) the land is abandoned property;
 - (3) none of the buildings or other structures located on the parcel are occupied, and the county, township, or municipality within whose boundaries the parcel is situated has instituted proceedings for the removal or demolition of such buildings or other structures because of their insecure, unsafe, or structurally defective condition; or
 - (4) none of the buildings or structures located on the parcel are occupied at the time the foreclosure proceeding is initiated, and the municipality, county, township, or reutilization unit determines that the parcel is eligible for acquisition through a land reutilization program.

"Occupancy" means the actual, continuous, and exclusive use and possession of a parcel by a person having a lawful right to such use and possession.

"Reutilization unit" means a community improvement land bank that has elected to implement a land reutilization program under subsection (a) of Section 10-5. A county land reutilization land bank is automatically a "reutilization unit" for all purposes of this Act, except as otherwise provided in this Act.

- 23 Article 5. Community Improvement Land Banks.
- 24 Section 5-5. Community improvement land bank creation.

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2	provided	d in	n this	Secti	on f	for	the	purpos	es of	:			

- (1) advancing, encouraging, and promoting the industrial, economic, commercial, and civic development of a community or area;
- (2) facilitating the reclamation, rehabilitation, and reutilization of vacant, abandoned, tax-foreclosed, or other real property within the governmental unit for whose benefit the land bank is being organized, but not limited to the purposes described in this paragraph;
- (3) efficiently holding and managing vacant, abandoned, or tax-foreclosed real property pending its reclamation, rehabilitation, and reutilization;
- (4) assisting governmental entities and other nonprofit or for-profit persons to assemble, clear, and clear the title of property described in this Act in a coordinated manner; or
- (5) promoting economic and housing development in the governmental unit or region.
- (b) A community improvement land bank may be created:
- (1) by one or more governmental units for the industrial, commercial, distribution, and research development in each governmental unit if each governmental unit has determined that the policy of the governmental unit is to promote the health, safety, morals, and general welfare of its inhabitants through the creation of a

1 community improvement land bank;

- (2) solely by a county as the agency for the reclamation, rehabilitation, and reutilization of vacant, abandoned, tax-foreclosed, or other real property in the county; or
- (3) by a municipality or township for the reclamation, rehabilitation, and reutilization of vacant, abandoned, tax-foreclosed, or other real property within the municipality or township if the municipality or township enters into an intergovernmental agreement with a county community improvement land bank creating the land bank as the agency of the municipality or township.
- (c) A land bank shall be created under this Section by ordinance or intergovernmental agreement of the governing board of the governmental unit. The ordinance or intergovernmental agreement may allow the land bank to provide any one or more of the following:
 - (1) Prepare a plan for the governmental unit or units of industrial, commercial, distribution, and research development, or of reclamation, rehabilitation, and reutilization of vacant, abandoned, tax-foreclosed, or other real property. The plan shall provide the extent to which the community improvement land bank shall participate in carrying out such plan. The plan shall be confirmed by the governing board or boards of the governmental unit or units. A community improvement land

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bank may insure mortgage payments required by a first mortgage on any industrial, economic, commercial, or civic property for which funds have been loaned by any person, corporation, bank, or financial or lending institution upon such terms and conditions as the community improvement land bank may prescribe. Α community land bank may incur debt, mortgage improvement property acquired under this Section or otherwise, and issue its obligations, for the purpose of acquiring, improving, constructing, and equipping buildings, structures, and other properties, and acquire sites therefor, for lease or sale by the community improvement land bank in order to carry out its participation in such plan. Except for moneys pledged by a unit of local government from revenue from penalties and interest on delinquent real property taxes, any such debt shall be solely that of the land bank and shall not be secured by the pledge of any moneys received or to be received from any governmental units. All revenue bonds issued under this Section are lawful investments of banks, savings and loan associations, deposit guarantee associations, trust companies, trustees, fiduciaries, trustees or officers having charge of sinking or bond retirement funds of units of local government, and of domestic insurance companies. Not less than two-fifths of the board of directors of a economic development land bank shall be

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composed of mayors, members of city councils, village presidents, village trustees, township supervisors, township trustees, members of county boards or boards of county commissioners, or any other appointed or elected officers of the governmental units, provided that at least one officer from each governmental unit shall be a member of the governing board of the land bank. Membership on the board of directors of a community improvement land bank does not constitute the holding of a public office or governing board of a county employment. The reutilization land bank shall be comprised of the members set forth in Section 5-15. Membership on such boards of directors shall not constitute an interest, either direct or indirect, in a contract or expenditure of money by any municipality, township, county, or other unit of local government. No member of such a board of directors shall disqualified from holding any public office be employment, nor shall such member forfeit any such office or employment, by reason of membership on the board of director of community improvement land bank, notwithstanding any other provision of law.

Actions taken under this paragraph (1) shall be in accordance with any applicable planning or zoning regulations.

(2) Authorization for the community improvement land bank to sell or to lease any real property or interests in

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real property owned by the governmental unit or units determined from time to time by the governing board or boards of the units not to be required by governmental unit or units for its purposes, for uses determined by the governing board or boards as those that will promote the welfare of the people of the governmental unit or units, stabilize the economy, provide employment, assist in the development of industrial, commercial, distribution, and research activities to the benefit of the people of the governmental unit or units, will provide additional opportunities for their gainful employment, or reclamation, rehabilitation, will promote the reutilization of vacant, abandoned, tax-foreclosed, other real property within the governmental unit or units. governing board or boards shall specify consideration for such sale or lease and any other terms. Any determinations made by the governing board or boards this Act shall be conclusive. under The community improvement land bank acting through its officers and on behalf of the governmental unit or units shall execute the necessary instruments, including deeds conveying the title of the governmental unit or units or leases, to accomplish such sale or lease. Such conveyance or lease shall be made without advertising and receipt of bids. A copy of such agreement shall be recorded in the office of the county recorder of deeds of any county in which real property or

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interests in real property to be sold or leased are situated prior to the recording of a deed or lease executed pursuant to such agreement.

(3) That the governmental unit or units adopting the ordinance or intergovernmental agreement shall convey to the community improvement land bank real property and interests in real property owned by the governmental unit or units and determined by the governing board or boards thereof not to be required by the governmental unit or units for its purposes and that such conveyance of such real property or interests in real property will promote the welfare of the people of the governmental unit or units, stabilize the economy, provide employment, assist development of industrial, commercial. distribution, and research activities to the benefit of the people of the governmental unit or units, provide additional opportunities for their gainful employment or the reclamation, rehabilitation, will promote reutilization of vacant, abandoned, tax-foreclosed, or other real property in the governmental unit or units, for the consideration and upon the terms established in the ordinance or intergovernmental agreement, and further that, as the agency for development or land reutilization, the community improvement land bank may acquire from others additional real property or interests property, and any real property or interests in real

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property so conveyed by it for uses that will promote the welfare of the people of the governmental unit or units, stabilize the economy, provide employment, assist in the development of industrial, commercial, distribution, and research activities required for the people of the governmental unit or units and for their will employment or promote the reclamation, rehabilitation, and reutilization of vacant, abandoned, tax-foreclosed, or other real property in the governmental unit or units. Any conveyance or lease by the governmental unit or units to the community improvement land bank shall be made without advertising and receipt of bids. If any real property or interests in real property conveyed by a governmental unit or units under this Act are sold by the community improvement land bank at a price in excess of the consideration received by the governmental unit or units from the community improvement land bank, excess shall be paid to such governmental unit or units after deducting, to the extent and in the manner provided in the ordinance or intergovernmental agreement, the costs of such acquisition and sale, taxes, assessments, costs of maintenance, costs of improvements to the real property by the community improvement land bank, service fees, and any debt service charges of the land bank attributable to such real property or interests.

Any ordinance or intergovernmental agreement entered into

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under this Section may be amended or supplemented from time to time by the governmental unit or units.

An economic development land bank created under this Section shall promote and encourage the establishment and growth in such unit of industrial, commercial, distribution, and research facilities. A county land reutilization land bank created under this Section shall promote the reclamation, rehabilitation, and reutilization of vacant, abandoned, tax-foreclosed, or other real property in the county.

- (d) A land bank created under this Section is a unit of local government separate from the county, municipality, or township that created the land bank.
- Section 5-10. Community improvement land bank powers.
 - (a) A community improvement land bank has the following powers in addition to those granted to the land bank under Section 5-5:
 - (1) To borrow money for any of the purposes of the community improvement land bank by means of loans, lines credit, or any other financial instruments securities, including the issuance of its bonds, debentures, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness, whether secured or unsecured, and to secure the same by mortgage, pledge, deed of trust, or other lien on its property, franchises, rights, and privileges of every kind and nature or any part thereof or interest therein.

- (2) A county land reutilization land bank may request, by resolution, one or more of the following:
 - (A) That the county board or board of county commissioners of the county served by the land bank pledge revenue from penalties and interest on delinquent real property taxes as security for such borrowing by the land bank.
 - (B) If the land subject to reutilization is located within an unincorporated area of the county, that the county board or board of county commissioners issue notes for the purpose of constructing public infrastructure improvements and take other actions as the board determines are in the interest of the county and are authorized under law.
 - (C) If the land subject to reutilization is located within a municipality or township, that the municipality or township issue bonds for the purpose of constructing public infrastructure improvements and take such other actions as the municipality or township determines are in its interest and are authorized under law.
 - (3) To make loans to any person, firm, partnership, land bank, joint stock company, association, or trust, and to establish and regulate the terms and conditions with respect to any such loans; provided that an economic development land bank shall not approve any application

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for a loan unless and until the person applying for said loan shows that the person has applied for the loan through ordinary banking or commercial channels and that the loan has been refused by at least one bank or other financial institution. Nothing in this paragraph shall preclude a county land reutilization land bank from making revolving loans to community development corporations, private entities, or any person for the purposes contained in the land bank's plan under Section 5-5.

To purchase, receive, hold, manage, (4)lease, lease-purchase, or otherwise acquire and to sell, convey, transfer, lease, sublease, or otherwise dispose of real and personal property, including, but not limited to, any real or personal property acquired by the community improvement land bank from time to time satisfaction of debts or enforcement of obligations, and to enter into contracts with third parties, including the federal government, the State, another unit of local government, or any other entity. A community improvement land bank shall not acquire an interest in real property if such acquisition causes the number of occupied real properties held by the land bank to exceed the greater of either 50 properties or 25% of all real property held by land bank for reutilization, reclamation, rehabilitation.

As used in this paragraph (4), "occupied real

properties" includes all real properties where:

- (A) a building, structure, land, or other improvement that is subject to taxation and that is located on the parcel is physically inhabited as a dwelling;
- (B) a trade or business is actively being conducted on the parcel by the owner, a tenant, or another party occupying the parcel pursuant to a lease or other legal authority, or in a building, structure, or other improvement that is subject to taxation and that is located on the parcel; or
- (C) the parcel is inhabited and there are signs that it is undergoing a change in tenancy and remains legally habitable, or that it is undergoing improvements, as indicated by an application for a building permit or other facts indicating that the parcel is experiencing ongoing improvements.
- (5) To acquire the good will, business, rights, real and personal property, and other assets, or any part thereof or interest therein, of any persons, firms, partnerships, corporations, joint stock companies, associations, or trusts and to assume, undertake, or pay the obligations, debts, and liabilities of any such person, firm, partnership, corporation, joint stock company, association, or trust; to acquire, reclaim, manage, or contract for the management of improved or

unimproved and underutilized real estate for the purpose of constructing industrial plants, other business establishments, or housing thereon, or causing the same to occur, for the purpose of assembling and enhancing utilization of the real estate, or for the purpose of disposing of such real estate to others in whole or in part for the construction of industrial plants, other business establishments, or housing; and to acquire, reclaim, manage, contract for the management of, construct or reconstruct, alter, repair, maintain, operate, sell, convey, transfer, lease, sublease, or otherwise dispose of industrial plants, business establishments, or housing.

- (6) To acquire, subscribe for, own, hold, sell, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge, or otherwise dispose of the stock, shares, bonds, debentures, notes, or other securities and evidences of interest in, or indebtedness of, any person, firm, corporation, joint stock company, association, or trust, and while the owner or holder thereof, to exercise all the rights, powers, and privileges of ownership, including the right to vote therein, provided that no tax revenue, if any, received by a community improvement land bank shall be used for such acquisition or subscription.
- (7) To mortgage, pledge, or otherwise encumber any property acquired pursuant to the powers contained in paragraph (4), (5), or (6).

- (8) To become a member of or a stockholder in a community or State development corporation or development authority.
 - (9) To serve as an agent for grant applications and for the administration of grants, or to make applications as principal for grants for county land reutilization land banks.
 - (10) To exercise the powers enumerated under Article 10.
 - abatement, including, but not limited to, cutting grass and weeds, boarding up vacant or abandoned structures, and demolishing condemned structures on properties that are subject to a delinquent tax or assessment lien, or property for which a unit of local government has contracted with a community improvement land bank to provide code enforcement or nuisance abatement assistance.
 - (12) To charge fees or exchange in-kind goods or services for services rendered to units of local government and other persons or entities for whom services are rendered.
 - (13) To employ and provide compensation for an executive director who shall manage the operations of a community improvement land bank and employ others for the benefit of the land bank as approved and funded by the board of directors. No employee of the land bank is or

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- shall be deemed to be an employee of the governmental unit whose benefit the land bank is organized solely because the employee is employed by the land bank.
 - (14) To purchase tax certificates at auction, negotiated sale, or from a third party who purchased and is a holder of one or more tax certificates issued under Article 21 of the Property Tax Code.
 - (15) To be assigned a mortgage on real property from a mortgagee in lieu of acquiring such real property subject to a mortgage.
 - (16) To do all acts and things necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes of this Act including, but not limited to, contracting with the federal government, the State, a unit of local government, an elected or appointed official, or any other party, whether nonprofit or for-profit, to provide services to the land bank.
 - (b) The powers enumerated in this Act shall not be construed to limit the general powers of a community improvement land bank.
- 20 (c) Ownership of real property by an economic development
 21 land bank does not constitute public ownership unless the
 22 economic development land bank has applied for and been
 23 granted a tax exemption for the property.
- Section 5-15. County land reutilization land bank board of directors.

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(a) The board of directors of a county land reutilization land bank shall be composed of 5, 7, or 9 members, including the county treasurer, at least 2 of the members of the county board or board of county commissioners, one representative of the largest municipality, based on the population according to the most recent federal decennial census, that is located in the county, one representative of a township, or, if no representative townships in а county, one from an unincorporated area of the county, and the remaining members selected by the county board members or county commissioners. The township representative shall be chosen by a majority of the boards of township trustees of townships in the county. At least one board member shall have private sector or nonprofit experience in rehabilitation or real estate acquisitions. The county treasurer and the county board members or county commissioners each may appoint one representative to act, as a director of the land bank, for each officer at any of the meetings of the land bank. Except as may otherwise be authorized by the regulations of the land bank, all members of the board of directors shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses.

(b) At the first meeting of the board of directors of a county land reutilization land bank, the board shall adopt regulations for governing the land bank, the conduct of its affairs, and the management of its property, consistent with this Act.

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1 Section 5-20. Annual financial report.

(a) Each community improvement land bank shall prepare an annual financial report that is prepared according to generally accepted accounting principles and is certified by the board of directors of the land bank, its treasurer, or other chief fiscal officer to the best knowledge and belief of those persons certifying the report. The financial report shall be filed with the Auditor General within 120 days following the last day of the land bank's fiscal year, unless the Auditor General extends that deadline. The Auditor General may establish terms and conditions for granting any extension of that deadline. The financial report shall be published on the land bank's web site, or if the land bank does not have a web site, on the web site of the county in which the land bank is located.

Each community improvement land bank shall submit to audits by the Auditor General. However, a community improvement land bank may request the performance of any of those audits by an independent CPA or CPA firm, as those terms are defined in the Illinois Public Accounting Act.

The Auditor General is authorized to receive and file the annual financial reports required by this Section and the reports of all audits performed in accordance with this Section. The Auditor General shall analyze those annual financial reports and the reports of those audits to determine

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whether the activities of a community improvement land bank involved are in accordance with this Section.

If any community improvement land bank fails to prepare an annual financial report as required by subsection (a) and to file that report with the Auditor General within 90 after the time prescribed for that filing by subsection (a) or, if the Auditor General determines that any community improvement land bank cannot be audited and declares it to be unauditable and the land bank fails to then prepare an annual financial report as required by subsection (a) and to file that report with the Auditor General within 90 days after the time that the Auditor General declared the land bank to be unauditable, the Auditor General shall certify that fact to the governmental unit that created the land bank. governmental unit then shall dissolve the improvement land bank involved by adopting a resolution and by attaching the certificate of the Auditor General or a true copy of it. All of the rights, privileges, and franchises conferred upon that community improvement land bank by ordinance approving the land bank shall cease. The county clerk shall immediately notify that community improvement land bank of the action taken. Reinstatement may be accomplished within 2 years after the dissolution upon proper filing of all delinquent annual financial reports to the satisfaction of the Auditor General and the filing of the Auditor General's certificate reflecting that satisfaction with the county

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clerk. That filing may be made by any officer, member, creditor, receiver, lessee, or sublessee of the community improvement land bank involved, and any such person or agent of any such person shall be granted access to the books and records of the land bank for that purpose. The rights, privileges, and franchises of a community improvement land bank whose articles have been reinstated or restored under this Act.

- Section 5-25. Dissolution, liquidation, or failure to reinstate. If there is a voluntary or involuntary dissolution, liquidation, or failure to reinstate a community improvement land bank after dissolution of the land bank under Section 5-20, any remaining assets shall be applied as follows:
 - (1) For an economic development land bank, to such civic projects or public charitable purposes in the community or area as may be determined by the board of directors with the approval of the circuit court of the county.
 - (2) For a county land reutilization land bank, as determined by the county board or board of county commissioners with the written approval of the county treasurer. Pending the determination, the remaining assets shall be transferred to the general fund of the county to be held and accounted for in a separate account until applied as determined by the county board or board of

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- county commissioners. For land banks created under paragraph (3) of subsection (b) of Section 5-5, the remaining assets shall be distributed as provided by the intergovernmental agreement.
- 5 Section 5-30. Confidentiality of information; open 6 meetings.
 - (a) After a community improvement land bank is created under Section 5-5, the following apply:
 - (1) Financial and proprietary information, including trade secrets, submitted by or on behalf of an entity to the community improvement land bank in connection with the relocation, location, expansion, improvement, or preservation of the business of that entity, or in the pursuit of any one or more of the purposes under this Act is confidential information and is not a public record subject to the Freedom of Information Act.
 - (2) Any other information submitted by or on behalf of an entity to the community improvement land bank in connection with the relocation, location, expansion, improvement, or preservation of the business of that entity held or kept by the community improvement land bank, or by any governmental unit for which the community improvement land bank is acting as agent, is confidential information and is not a public record subject to the Freedom of Information Act, until the entity commits in

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- writing to proceed with the relocation, location,
 expansion, improvement, preservation of its business, or
 other purpose under this Act.
 - (b) When the board of directors of a community improvement land bank or any committee or subcommittee of such a board meets to consider information that is not a public record pursuant to subsection (a), the board, committee, or subcommittee, by majority vote of all members present, may close the meeting during consideration of the confidential information. The board, committee, or subcommittee shall consider no other information during the closed session.
- 12 (c) Except as provided in subsection (b), all meetings
 13 shall be open to the public.

Section 5-35. Community improvement land banks redevelopment project areas. The board of directors of a community improvement land bank in which all or a part of a redevelopment project area, created pursuant to the Increment Allocation Redevelopment Act, is located may accept funds from the special tax allocation fund from the municipality that created the redevelopment project area. The board shall use all such contributions to promote redevelopment project area to potential business patrons, to recruit businesses to relocate or expand to the redevelopment project area, and to attract and promote events and activities that generate revenue or enhance public welfare within the

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redevelopment project area. The board shall periodically 1 2 report to the city council of the municipality on the 3 expenditure of the contributions and plans for the utilization of future contributions. If any contributions received by a 5 community improvement land bank under this Section remain after the dissolution or expiration of the redevelopment 6 project area, the board shall pay the remaining amount to the 7 8 contributing municipality, which shall credit the money to its 9 general fund.

Section 5-40. Immunity of community improvement land banks. A community improvement land bank is not liable for civil or other damages as a result of conduct, other than willful or wanton misconduct, in connection with a parcel of land acquired by the community improvement land bank under this Act, including, but not limited to, a violation of permit, license, variance, or plan approval requirements.

Article 10. Land Reutilization Program.

Section 10-5. Procedures to facilitate reutilization of nonproductive land.

(a) A governmental unit may elect to have the community improvement land bank facilitate the effective reutilization of nonproductive land situated within its boundaries as provided in this Article. The ordinance or intergovernmental

- agreement creating the community improvement land bank under this Article shall also state that: (i) the existence of nonproductive land within its boundaries is such as to necessitate the implementation of a land reutilization program to foster either the return of such nonproductive land to tax revenue generating status or the devotion thereof to public use; and (ii) the county auditor, or the county clerk if the county does not have an auditor, shall prepare delinquent property tax ledgers for the community improvement land bank.
- (b) If a governmental unit designates a community improvement land bank as a reutilization unit under subsection (a), the powers extended to the land bank under this Article shall be construed as additional powers.
- (c) A governmental unit shall promptly deliver certified copies of such ordinance to the county auditor, or, if none, the county clerk, and treasurer of each county in which the reutilization unit is situated. On and after the effective date of such ordinance, the foreclosure, sale, management, and disposition of all nonproductive land within the reutilization unit's boundaries shall be governed by the procedures set forth in this Article.
- (d) If a county land reutilization land bank and a municipality or township enters into an intergovernmental agreement to implement a land reutilization program within the boundaries of the municipality or township through the county land reutilization land bank for the purposes of this Article,

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any property acquired by a county land reutilization land bank under such an intergovernmental agreement, other than the tax foreclosure procedures, shall be subject to a priority right of acquisition by the municipality or township in which the property is located for a period of 30 days after the county land reutilization land bank first records the deed evidencing acquisition of such property with the county recorder. A municipality or township claiming a priority right of acquisition shall file, and the county recorder shall record, an instrument evidencing such right within the 30-day period. The instrument shall include the name and address of the applicable municipality or township, the parcel or other identifying number, and an affirmative statement by municipality or township that it intends to acquire the property. If the municipality or township records such an instrument within the 30-day period, then the priority right of acquisition shall be effective for a period of 90 days after the instrument is recorded. If the municipality or township does not record the instrument expressing its intent to acquire the property or, if having timely recorded such instrument does not thereafter acquire and record a deed within the 90-day period following the recording of its intent to acquire the property, then the county land reutilization land bank may dispose of such property free and clear of any claim or interest of such municipality or township. If a municipality or township does not record an instrument of

intent to acquire property within the 30-day period, or if a municipality or township, after timely recording an instrument of intent to acquire a parcel, does not thereafter acquire the parcel within 90 days and record a deed subsequently with the county recorder, the municipality or township has no statutory, legal, or equitable claim or estate in property acquired by the county land reutilization land bank. This Section shall not be construed to constitute an exception to free and clear title to the property held by a county land reutilization land bank or any of its subsequent transferees, or to preclude a county land reutilization land bank and any municipality or township from entering into an agreement that disposes of property on terms to which they may thereafter mutually agree.

Section 10-10. Sale of nonproductive delinquent land to reutilization unit.

(a) On and after the effective date of an ordinance or intergovernmental agreement adopted pursuant to Section 10-5, nonproductive land within a reutilization unit's boundaries that the unit wishes to acquire and that has either been advertised and offered for sale or is otherwise available for acquisition pursuant to a foreclosure proceeding as provided in Article 21 of the Property Tax Code, but is not sold for want of a minimum bid, shall be sold or transferred to the reutilization unit in the manner set forth in this Section and

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- 1 Article 21 of the Property Tax Code.
 - (b) Upon receipt of an ordinance under Section 10-5, the county auditor or county clerk shall compile and deliver to the reutilization unit the delinquent property tax ledger of land within the reutilization unit of which a foreclosure proceeding under Article 21 of the Property Tax Code has been instituted and is pending. The county auditor or county clerk shall notify the reutilization unit of the identity of all delinquent land within the reutilization unit whenever a foreclosure proceeding pursuant to Article 21 of the Property Tax Code is commenced with respect to that land that is not on the delinquent property tax ledger last sent to the reutilization unit.
 - (c) The reutilization unit may select from the delinquent property tax ledger the delinquent lands that constitute nonproductive lands that it will acquire and shall notify the county collector of its selection prior to the advertisement and sale of the nonproductive lands. Selected nonproductive lands subject to such foreclosure or forfeiture proceedings that require a sale shall be advertised for sale and be sold, without appraisal, as provided in Article 21 of the Property Tax Code. Except for properties being redeemed under Division 7 of Article 21 of the Property Tax Code, all nonproductive lands so selected, when advertised for sale pursuant to a foreclosure proceeding, shall be advertised separately from the advertisement applicable to other delinquent lands. The

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minimum amount for which selected nonproductive lands will be sold, including those lands subject to a foreclosure proceeding, as specified in the advertisement for sale, shall equal the sum of the taxes, assessments, charges, penalties, interest, and costs due on the parcel as determined under Article 21 of the Property Tax Code. The advertisement relating to the selected nonproductive lands also shall include a statement that the lands have been determined by the reutilization unit to be nonproductive lands and that, if no bid for the appropriate amount specified in this Section is received, such lands shall be sold or transferred to the reutilization unit.

(d) If any nonproductive land selected by a reutilization unit is advertised and offered for sale at one sale pursuant to this Section but is not sold for want of a minimum bid, the reutilization unit that selected the nonproductive land shall be deemed to have submitted the winning bid at such sale, and the land is deemed sold to the reutilization unit for no consideration other than the amounts charged under subsection (e) and (f). If more than one reutilization unit selects the same parcel or parcels of land, the unit that first notifies county collector of such selection shall be reutilization unit deemed to have submitted the winning bid under this Section. The county collector conducting the sale shall announce the bid of the reutilization unit at the sale and shall report the proceedings to the court for confirmation 1 of sale.

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(e) Upon the sale or transfer of any nonproductive land to a reutilization unit, the county collector shall charge the costs, as determined by the court, incurred in the foreclosure proceeding instituted under Article 21 of the Property Tax Code and applicable to the nonproductive land to the taxing districts, including the reutilization unit, in proportion to their interest in the taxes, assessments, charges, penalties, and interest on the nonproductive land due and payable at the time the land was sold pursuant to the foreclosure proceeding. The interest of each taxing district in the taxes, assessments, charges, penalties, and interest on the nonproductive land shall bear the same proportion to the amount of those taxes, assessments, charges, penalties, and interest that the amount of taxes levied by each district against the nonproductive land in the preceding tax year bears to the taxes levied by all such districts against the nonproductive land in the preceding tax year, except that the reutilization unit shall be deemed to have the proportionate interest of the governmental unit or units that created the reutilization unit in the taxes, assessments, penalties, and interest on the nonproductive land in that governmental unit or units. The collector shall retain at the next apportionment the amount charged to each such taxing district, except that in the case of nonproductive land sold or transferred to a reutilization unit, the auditor shall

1 provide an invoice to the reutilization unit for the amount 2 charged to it.

(f) The county collector conducting the sale shall execute and record a deed conveying title to the land upon the filing of the entry of the confirmation of sale, unless the nonproductive land is redeemed under Division 7 of Article 21 of the Property Tax Code. Once the deed has been recorded, the collector shall deliver the deed to the reutilization unit; thereupon, title to the land is incontestable in the reutilization unit and free and clear of all liens and encumbrances, except those easements and covenants of record running with the land and created prior to the time at which the taxes or assessments, for the nonpayment of which the land is sold or transferred at foreclosure, became due and payable.

When title to a parcel of land upon which a lien has been placed under Article 21 of the Property Tax Code is transferred to a reutilization unit under this Section, the lien on the parcel shall be extinguished if the lien is for costs or charges that were incurred before the date of the transfer to the unit and if the unit did not incur the costs or charges, regardless of whether the lien was attached or the costs or charges were certified before the date of transfer. In such a case, the unit and its successors in title shall take title to the property free and clear of any such lien and shall be immune from liability in any action to collect such costs or charges.

If a reutilization unit takes title to property under this Section before any costs or charges have been certified or any lien has been placed with respect to the property under Article 21 of the Property Tax Code, the unit shall be deemed a bona fide purchaser for value without knowledge of such costs or lien, regardless of whether the unit had actual or constructive knowledge of the costs or lien, and any such lien shall be void and unenforceable against the unit and its successors in title.

At the time of the sale or transfer, the collector shall collect and the reutilization unit shall pay the fee required by law for transferring and recording of deeds.

The title is not invalid because of any irregularity, informality, or omission of any proceeding or in any processes of taxation if such irregularity, informality, or omission does not abrogate any provision for notice to holders of title, lien, or mortgage to, or other interests in, the foreclosed lands.

Section 10-15. Petition to vacate transfer of delinquent land by reutilization unit.

(a) If, in any foreclosure proceeding initiated under Article 21 of the Property Tax Code, a county board of review or circuit court issues an order of foreclosure, order of sale, or confirmation of sale that transfers a delinquent land to a reutilization unit, the reutilization unit may file a

petition with the board or court to vacate the order or confirmation of sale on the basis that such reutilization unit does not wish to acquire the land. The reutilization unit may file such a petition notwithstanding any prior request by the reutilization unit or a party acting on behalf of the reutilization unit to acquire the land.

If the reutilization unit files the petition within 60 days after the order or confirmation of sale, the board or court shall vacate the order or confirmation of sale. If the reutilization unit files the petition more than 60 days after the order or confirmation of sale, the board or court may vacate the order or confirmation of sale at its discretion based upon clerical mistakes; mistake, inadvertence, surprise, or excusable neglect; newly discovered evidence which by due diligence could not have been discovered in time for the prior proceedings; fraud, misrepresentation, or other misconduct of an adverse party; or any other reason justifying relief from the judgment.

(b) A reutilization unit that files a petition under subsection (a) shall not be required to intervene in the proceeding to which the petition relates, but shall file the petition in the same manner as would a party to the action. Upon filing the petition, the reutilization unit shall serve notice of the petition upon all parties to the action, except any party that previously failed to answer, plead, or appear in the proceeding or that is deemed to be in default.

- (c) Upon the vacation of a order or confirmation of sale under subsection (a), the circuit court or board of review shall reinstate the proceeding and schedule any further hearing or disposition required by law. The court or board shall not issue any further order or confirmation of sale transferring the delinquent land to the reutilization unit unless the reutilization unit petitions the court or board to acquire the land under Section 10-10 at least 7 days before a scheduled final hearing or sale of the land pursuant to the proceeding. In such a case, the reutilization unit shall not file, and the court or board shall not approve, any subsequent petition to vacate a order or confirmation of sale transferring the land to the reutilization unit.
- Section 10-20. Selection of forfeited lands that constitute nonproductive lands that reutilization unit wishes to acquire.
 - (a) Upon receipt of an ordinance adopted pursuant to Section 10-5, the county auditor or county clerk shall include in the delinquent tax ledger a list of all delinquent lands within a reutilization unit's boundaries that have been forfeited to the State pursuant to Article 21 of the Property Tax Code and thereafter shall notify the reutilization unit of any additions to or deletions from such list.
 - The reutilization unit may select from such lists the forfeited lands that constitute nonproductive lands that the

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unit wishes to acquire, and shall notify the county collector of its selection prior to the advertisement and sale of such lands. The selected nonproductive lands shall be advertised for sale and be sold to the highest bidder for an amount at least sufficient to pay the amount determined under Article 21 of the Property Tax Code. All nonproductive lands forfeited to State and selected by a reutilization unit, when advertised for sale pursuant to the relevant procedures, shall be advertised separately from the advertisement applicable to other forfeited lands. The advertisement relating to the selected nonproductive lands also shall include a statement that the lands have been selected by the reutilization unit as nonproductive lands that it wishes to acquire and that, if at the forfeiture sale no bid for the sum of the taxes, assessments, charges, penalties, interest, and costs due on the parcel is received, the lands shall be sold to the reutilization unit.

(b) If any nonproductive land that has been forfeited to the State and selected by a reutilization unit is advertised and offered for sale by the collector pursuant to Article 21 of the Property Tax Code, but no minimum bid is received, the reutilization unit shall be deemed to have submitted the winning bid, and the land is deemed sold to the reutilization unit for no consideration other than the fee charged under subsection (c). If more than one reutilization unit selects the same parcel or parcels of land, the reutilization unit

deemed to have submitted the winning bid under this subsection

shall be determined as provided in subsection (d) of Section

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The collector shall announce the bid at the sale and shall declare the selected nonproductive land to be sold to the reutilization unit. The land shall be sold and transferred to the reutilization unit as provided in Section 21 of the Property Tax Code.

(c) Upon transfer of the nonproductive land to the reutilization unit under subsection (b), all previous title is extinguished, and the title in the reutilization unit is incontestable and free and clear from all liens and encumbrances, except taxes and special assessments that are not due at the time of the sale and any easements and covenants of record running with the land and created prior to the time at which the taxes or assessments, for the nonpayment of which the nonproductive land was forfeited, became due and payable.

When title to a parcel of land upon which a lien has been placed under Article 21 of the Property Tax Code is transferred to a reutilization unit under this Section, the lien on the parcel shall be extinguished if the lien is for costs or charges that were incurred before the date of the transfer to the unit and if the unit did not incur the costs or charges, regardless of whether the lien was attached or the costs or charges were certified before the date of transfer. In such a case, the unit and its successors in title shall take

title to the property free and clear of any such lien and shall be immune from liability in any action to collect such costs or charges.

If a reutilization unit takes title to property before any costs or charges have been certified or any lien has been placed with respect to the property under Article 21 of the Property Tax Code, the unit shall be deemed a bona fide purchaser for value without knowledge of such costs or lien, regardless of whether the unit had actual or constructive knowledge of the costs or lien, and any such lien shall be void and unenforceable against the unit and its successors in title.

At the time of the sale, the collector shall collect and the reutilization unit shall pay the fee required by law for transferring and recording of deeds, incurred in any proceeding instituted under Article 21 of the Property Tax Code or incurred as a result of the forfeiture and sale of the nonproductive land to the taxing districts, including the reutilization unit, in direct proportion to their interest in the taxes, assessments, charges, interest, and penalties on the nonproductive land due and payable at the time the land was sold at the forfeiture sale. The interest of each taxing district in the taxes, assessments, charges, penalties, and interest on the nonproductive land shall bear the same proportion to the amount of those taxes, assessments, charges, penalties, and interest that the amount of taxes levied by

each district against the nonproductive land in the preceding tax year bears to the taxes levied by all such districts against the nonproductive land in the preceding tax year, except that the reutilization unit shall be deemed to have the proportionate interest of the governmental unit or units that created the reutilization unit in the taxes, assessments, charges, penalties, and interest on the nonproductive land in the governmental unit or units. The collector shall retain at the next apportionment the amount charged to each such taxing district, except that in the case of nonproductive land conveyed to a reutilization unit the collector shall invoice the unit the amount charged to it.

(d) If no unit of local government, including a reutilization unit, has requested to purchase a parcel of land at a foreclosure sale, any lands otherwise forfeited to the State for want of a bid at the foreclosure sale may, upon the request of a reutilization unit, be transferred directly to the reutilization unit without appraisal or public bidding.

Section 10-25. Title to land incontestable after one year from recording of deed. Whenever nonproductive land is sold under Section 10-10, 10-15, or 10-20 to a reutilization unit, no action shall be commenced, nor shall any defense be asserted, after one year from the date the deed conveying such land to the reutilization unit is recorded, to question the validity of the title vested in the reutilization unit by such

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- 1 sale for any irregularity, informality, or omission in the
- 2 proceedings relative to the foreclosure, forfeiture, or sale
- 3 of such nonproductive land to the reutilization unit.
- 4 Section 10-30. Land management in the reutilization 5 program. A reutilization unit, other than a county land reutilization land bank, shall assume possession and control 6 7 of any nonproductive land acquired by it under Section 10-10, 10-15, 10-20, or 10-50 and any other land it acquires as a part 8 9 of its land reutilization program. The reutilization unit 10 shall hold and administer such property for the benefit of 11 itself and of other taxing districts having an interest in the taxes, assessments, charges, interest, and penalties due and 12 owing thereon at the time of the property's acquisition by the 1.3 reutilization 14 unit. In its administration 15 nonproductive land as a part of a land reutilization program, 16 the reutilization unit shall:
 - (1) Manage, maintain, and protect, or temporarily use for a public purpose such land in such manner as it deems appropriate.
 - (2) Compile and maintain a written inventory of all such land. The inventory shall be available for public inspection and distribution at all times.
 - (3) Study, analyze, and evaluate potential, present, and future uses for such land which would provide for the effective reutilization of the nonproductive land.

- (4) Plan for, and use its best efforts to consummate, the sale or other disposition of such land at such times and upon such terms and conditions as it deems appropriate to the fulfillment of the purposes and objectives of its land reutilization program.
- (5) Establish and maintain records and accounts reflecting all transactions, expenditures, and revenues relating to its land reutilization program, including separate itemizations of all transactions, expenditures, and revenues concerning each individual parcel of real property acquired as a part of such program.
- Section 10-35. Sale of land acquired in land reutilization program.
 - (a) As used in this Section, "fair market value" means the appraised value of the nonproductive land made with reference to such redevelopment and reutilization restrictions as may be imposed by the reutilization unit as a condition of sale or as may be otherwise applicable to such land.
 - (b) A reutilization unit may, without competitive bidding, sell any land acquired by it as a part of its land reutilization program at such times, to such persons, and upon such terms and conditions, and subject to such restrictions and covenants as it deems necessary or appropriate to assure the land's effective reutilization. Such land shall be sold at not less than its fair market value. However, upon the

approval of the governing boards of those taxing districts
entitled to share in the proceeds from the sale thereof, the
reutilization unit may either retain such land for devotion by
it to public use, or sell, lease, or otherwise transfer any
such land to another unit of local government for the devotion
to public use by such unit of local government for a
consideration less than fair market value.

Whenever a reutilization unit sells any land acquired as part of its land reutilization program for an amount equal to or greater than fair market value, it shall execute and deliver all agreements and instruments incident thereto. The reutilization unit may execute and deliver all agreements and instruments without procuring any approval, consent, conveyance, or other instrument from any other person or entity, including the other taxing districts entitled to share in the proceeds from the sale thereof.

A reutilization unit may, for purposes of land disposition, consolidate, assemble, or subdivide individual parcels of land acquired as part of its land reutilization program.

Section 10-40. Disposing of proceeds of sale. When a reutilization unit sells any land acquired as a part of its land reutilization program, the proceeds from such sale shall be applied and distributed in the following order:

(1) To the reutilization unit in reimbursement of its

expenses incurred on account of the acquisition, administration, management, maintenance, and disposition of such land, and such other expenses of the land reutilization program as the reutilization unit may apportion to such land.

- (2) To the county treasurer to reimburse those taxing districts to which the county auditor charged the costs of foreclosure pursuant to Section 10-15, or costs of forfeiture pursuant to Section 10-20. If the proceeds of the sale of the nonproductive lands, after making the payment required under this Section, are not sufficient to reimburse the full amounts charged to taxing districts as costs under Section 10-15 or 10-20, the balance of the proceeds shall be used to reimburse the taxing districts in the same proportion as the costs were charged.
- (3) To the county treasurer for distribution to the taxing districts charged costs under Section 10-15 or 10-20, in the same proportion as they were charged costs by the county collector, an amount representing both of the following:
 - (A) the taxes, assessments, charges, penalties, and interest due and owing on such land as of the date of acquisition by the reutilization unit; and
 - (B) the taxes, assessments, charges, penalties, and interest that would have been due and payable with respect to such land from such date of acquisition

- were such land not exempt from taxation pursuant to Section 10-55.
- 3 (4) The balance, if any, to be retained by the 4 reutilization unit for application to the payment of costs 5 and expenses of its land reutilization program.
- Section 10-45. Committee of representatives of taxing districts; neighborhood advisory committee.
- 8 (a) A reutilization unit shall keep all taxing districts 9 having an interest in the taxes, assessments, charges, 10 interest, and penalties on the real property acquired as part 11 of the land reutilization program informed concerning the 12 administration of its land reutilization program and may 1.3 establish a committee comprised of a representative of each 14 such taxing district. Each member of the committee shall be 15 appointed by, and serve at the pleasure of, the taxing 16 district the member represents. A representative may be an employee of the taxing district. All members shall serve 17 18 without compensation. The committee may meet in person or by 19 electronic or telephonic means, at the discretion of the 20 reutilization unit, at least annually to review the operations 21 the land reutilization program and to advise 22 reutilization unit concerning any matter relating to such program which comes before the committee. 23
- 24 (b) A reutilization unit, as a part of its land 25 reutilization program, may establish separate neighborhood

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advisory committees consisting of persons living or owning property within each neighborhood affected by the program. The reutilization unit shall determine the boundaries of each neighborhood and which neighborhoods are affected by the program. Each neighborhood advisory committee shall be appointed by the chief executive officer of the reutilization unit for 2-year overlapping terms and shall be composed of at least 3 persons. The reutilization unit shall consult with each neighborhood advisory committee at least annually to review the operations of the land reutilization program and to receive the advice of the members of the neighborhood advisory committee concerning any matter relating to the program which comes before the committees, including a specific interim use plan for the land.

Section 10-50.Accepting conveyance in lieu of foreclosure. A reutilization unit may accept a conveyance in lieu of foreclosure of delinquent land from the owners thereof. Such conveyance may only be accepted with the consent of the county collector if acting under foreclosure or forfeiture proceedings under Article 21 of the Property Tax Code. If a reutilization unit certifies to the collector in writing that the delinquent land is abandoned property, the shall consent to the conveyance. Ιf reutilization unit does not certify to the collector in writing that the delinquent land is abandoned property, the

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collector may consent to the conveyance for any purpose authorized in this Article. The owners or the reutilization unit shall pay, as agreed between the owner and reutilization unit, all expenses incurred by the county in connection with any foreclosure or forfeiture proceeding filed pursuant to Article 21 of the Property Tax Code relative to such land. The owner shall present the reutilization unit with satisfactory evidence that the reutilization unit will obtain by such conveyance fee simple title to such delinquent land. Unless otherwise agreed to by the reutilization unit accepting the conveyance, the title shall be free and clear of all liens and encumbrances, except such easements and covenants of record running with the land as were created prior to the time of the conveyance and delinquent taxes, assessments, penalties, interest, and charges, and taxes and special assessments that are a lien on the real property at the time of the conveyance.

Real property acquired by a reutilization unit under this Section shall not be subject to foreclosure or forfeiture under Article 21 of the Property Tax Code. The sale or other transfer, as authorized by Section 10-35, of real property acquired under this Section shall extinguish the lien on the title for all taxes, assessments, penalties, interest, and charges delinquent at the time of the conveyance of the delinquent land to the reutilization unit.

- 1 acquired and held by a reutilization unit pursuant to this
- 2 Article shall be deemed real property used for a public
- 3 purpose and shall be exempt from taxation until sold.

Section 10-60. Discontinuing land reutilization program. A reutilization unit may discontinue its land reutilization program at any time by repealing the provisions of the ordinance enacted under Section 10-5 establishing the program, but it shall continue to be governed by the procedures set forth in this Article concerning the administration and disposition of real property acquired as a part of its land reutilization program until all such lands have been sold or otherwise transferred and the proceeds thereof distributed in compliance with this Article.

Section 10-65. Public auction of land after 15 years. Real property acquired and held by a reutilization unit pursuant to this Article that is not sold or otherwise transferred within 15 years after such acquisition shall be offered for sale at public auction during the 16th year after acquisition. If the real property is not sold at that time, it may be disposed of or retained for any lawful purpose without further application of this Article.

Notice of the sale shall contain a description of each parcel, the parcel number, and the full street address when available. The notice shall be published once a week for 3

- 1 consecutive weeks prior to the sale in a newspaper of general 2 circulation within the reutilization unit.
- Each parcel, subsequent to the 15th year after its acquisition as part of a land reutilization program, shall be sold for an amount not less than the greater of:
 - (A) two-thirds of its fair market value; or
 - (B) the total amount of accrued taxes, assessments, penalties, interest, charges, and costs incurred by the reutilization unit in the acquisition, maintenance, and disposal of each parcel and the parcel's share of the costs and expenses of the land reutilization program.
- Section 10-70. Removing unpaid taxes and assessments from tax lists after purchase.
 - (a) When a reutilization unit purchases nonproductive land under Section 10-10, 10-15, or 10-20, the county collector shall remove from the collector's tax lists and duplicates all taxes, assessments, charges, penalties, and interest that are due and payable on the land at the time of the sale in the same manner as if the property had been sold to any other buyer at the foreclosure or forfeiture sale.
 - (b) The county collector shall certify to a reutilization unit, other than a county land reutilization land bank, that purchases nonproductive land under Section 10-10, 10-15, or 10-20 a record of all of the taxes, assessments, charges, interest, and penalties that were due on the parcel at the time

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of the sale; the taxing districts to which they were owed; and the proportion of that amount that was owed to each taxing district. Except with respect to a county land reutilization land bank, the certification shall be used by such a reutilization unit in distributing the proceeds of any sale of the land in accordance with subparagraph (A) of paragraph (3) of Section 10-40.

Section 10-75. Acquisition of tax-delinquent real property for redevelopment free from lien for delinquent taxes.

(a) As used in this Section:

"Delinquent taxes" means the cumulative amount of unpaid taxes, assessments, recoupment charges, penalties, and interest charged against eligible delinquent land that became delinquent before transfer of title to a reutilization unit.

"Eligible delinquent land" means delinquent land included in a delinquent tax ledger under Section 21-11 of the Property Tax Code, excluding land for which a certificate of purchase has been made and delivered under Section 21-250 of the Property Tax Code.

"Foreclosure costs" means the sum of all costs or other charges of publication, service of notice, prosecution, or other proceedings against the land under Article 21 of the Property Tax Code as may pertain to delinquent land or be fairly apportioned to it by the

1 county treasurer.

"Tax foreclosure sale" means a sale of delinquent land pursuant to foreclosure proceedings under Article 21 of the Property Tax Code.

"Taxing authority" means the governing body of any taxing unit in which is located a parcel of eligible delinquent land acquired or to be acquired by a reutilization unit in which a declaration under subsection (b) is in effect.

- (b) The board of directors of a reutilization unit may declare by resolution that it is in the public interest for the reutilization unit to acquire tax-delinquent real property within the governmental unit that organized the reutilization unit for the public purpose of redeveloping the property or otherwise rendering it suitable for productive, tax-paying use. If a reutilization unit has made such a declaration, the reutilization unit may purchase or otherwise acquire title to eligible delinquent land, other than by appropriation, and the title shall pass free and clear of the lien for delinquent taxes as provided in subsection (d).
- (c) With respect to any parcel of eligible delinquent land purchased or acquired by a reutilization unit in which a declaration is in effect under this Section, the reutilization unit may obtain the consent of each taxing authority for release of any claim on the delinquent taxes and associated costs attaching to that property at the time of conveyance to

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The taxing authority of a taxing unit and a reutilization unit in which a declaration is in effect under this Section may enter into an agreement whereby the taxing authority consents in advance to release of the taxing authority's claim on delinquent taxes and associated costs with respect to all or a specified number of parcels of eligible delinquent land that may be purchased or acquired by the reutilization unit for the purposes of this Section. The agreement shall provide for: any terms and conditions on the release of such claim as are mutually agreeable to the taxing authority and reutilization unit, including any notice to be provided by the reutilization unit to the taxing authority of the purchase or acquisition of eligible delinquent land situated in the taxing unit; any option vesting in the taxing authority to revoke its release with respect to any parcel of eligible delinquent land before the release becomes effective; and the manner in which notice of such revocation shall be effected. Nothing in this Section or in such an agreement shall be construed to bar a taxing authority from revoking its advance consent with respect to any parcels of eligible delinguent land purchased or acquired

- 1 by the reutilization unit before the reutilization unit enters
- 2 into a purchase or other agreement for acquisition of the
- 3 parcels.
- 4 (d) The lien for the delinquent taxes and associated costs 5 for which all of the taxing authorities have consented to
- 6 release their claims under this Section is hereby
- 7 extinguished, and the transfer of title to such delinquent
- 8 land to the reutilization unit shall be transferred free and
- 9 clear of the lien for such taxes and costs. If a taxing
- 10 authority does not consent to the release of its claim on
- 11 delinguent taxes and associated costs, the entire amount of
- the lien for such taxes and costs shall continue as otherwise
- provided by law until paid or otherwise discharged according
- 14 to law.
- 15 (e) All eligible delinquent land acquired by a
- 16 reutilization unit under this Section is real property held
- for a public purpose and is exempted from taxation until the
- 18 reutilization unit sells or otherwise disposes of property.
- 19 (f) If a reutilization unit sells or otherwise disposes of
- 20 delinquent land it purchased or acquired and for which all or a
- 21 portion of a taxing authority's claim for delinquent taxes was
- 22 released under this Section, whether by consent of the taxing
- 23 authority or pursuant to subsection (d), the net proceeds from
- 24 such sale or disposition shall be used for such redevelopment
- 25 purposes the governing board of the reutilization unit.

1 Article 90. Amendatory Provisions.

- 2 Section 90-5. The Freedom of Information Act is amended by changing Section 7 as follows:
- 4 (5 ILCS 140/7) (from Ch. 116, par. 207)
- 5 Sec. 7. Exemptions.
 - (1) When a request is made to inspect or copy a public record that contains information that is exempt from disclosure under this Section, but also contains information that is not exempt from disclosure, the public body may elect to redact the information that is exempt. The public body shall make the remaining information available for inspection and copying. Subject to this requirement, the following shall be exempt from inspection and copying:
 - (a) Information specifically prohibited from disclosure by federal or State law or rules and regulations implementing federal or State law.
 - (b) Private information, unless disclosure is required by another provision of this Act, a State or federal law or a court order.
 - (b-5) Files, documents, and other data or databases maintained by one or more law enforcement agencies and specifically designed to provide information to one or more law enforcement agencies regarding the physical or mental status of one or more individual subjects.

- (c) Personal information contained within public records, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, unless the disclosure is consented to in writing by the individual subjects of the information. "Unwarranted invasion of personal privacy" means the disclosure of information that is highly personal or objectionable to a reasonable person and in which the subject's right to privacy outweighs any legitimate public interest in obtaining the information. The disclosure of information that bears on the public duties of public employees and officials shall not be considered an invasion of personal privacy.
- (d) Records in the possession of any public body created in the course of administrative enforcement proceedings, and any law enforcement or correctional agency for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that disclosure would:
 - (i) interfere with pending or actually and reasonably contemplated law enforcement proceedings conducted by any law enforcement or correctional agency that is the recipient of the request;
 - (ii) interfere with active administrative enforcement proceedings conducted by the public body that is the recipient of the request;
 - (iii) create a substantial likelihood that a

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person will be deprived of a fair trial or an impartial hearing;

- unavoidably disclose the identity of (iv) confidential source, confidential information furnished only by the confidential source, or persons who file complaints with or provide information to administrative, investigative, law enforcement, or penal agencies; except that the identities witnesses to traffic accidents, traffic accident reports, and rescue reports shall be provided by agencies of local government, except when disclosure would interfere with an active criminal investigation conducted by the agency that is the recipient of the request;
- (v) disclose unique or specialized investigative techniques other than those generally used and known or disclose internal documents of correctional agencies related to detection, observation or investigation of incidents of crime or misconduct, and disclosure would result in demonstrable harm to the agency or public body that is the recipient of the request;
- (vi) endanger the life or physical safety of law enforcement personnel or any other person; or
- (vii) obstruct an ongoing criminal investigation by the agency that is the recipient of the request.

- enforcement purposes and contained in a shared electronic record management system if the law enforcement agency that is the recipient of the request did not create the record, did not participate in or have a role in any of the events which are the subject of the record, and only has access to the record through the shared electronic record management system.
- (e) Records that relate to or affect the security of correctional institutions and detention facilities.
- (e-5) Records requested by persons committed to the Department of Corrections, Department of Human Services Division of Mental Health, or a county jail if those materials are available in the library of the correctional institution or facility or jail where the inmate is confined.
- (e-6) Records requested by persons committed to the Department of Corrections, Department of Human Services Division of Mental Health, or a county jail if those materials include records from staff members' personnel files, staff rosters, or other staffing assignment information.
- (e-7) Records requested by persons committed to the Department of Corrections or Department of Human Services Division of Mental Health if those materials are available through an administrative request to the Department of

Corrections or Department of Human Services Division of Mental Health.

- (e-8) Records requested by a person committed to the Department of Corrections, Department of Human Services Division of Mental Health, or a county jail, the disclosure of which would result in the risk of harm to any person or the risk of an escape from a jail or correctional institution or facility.
- (e-9) Records requested by a person in a county jail or committed to the Department of Corrections or Department of Human Services Division of Mental Health, containing personal information pertaining to the person's victim or the victim's family, including, but not limited to, a victim's home address, home telephone number, work or school address, work telephone number, social security number, or any other identifying information, except as may be relevant to a requester's current or potential case or claim.
- (e-10) Law enforcement records of other persons requested by a person committed to the Department of Corrections, Department of Human Services Division of Mental Health, or a county jail, including, but not limited to, arrest and booking records, mug shots, and crime scene photographs, except as these records may be relevant to the requester's current or potential case or claim.

- (f) Preliminary drafts, notes, recommendations, memoranda and other records in which opinions are expressed, or policies or actions are formulated, except that a specific record or relevant portion of a record shall not be exempt when the record is publicly cited and identified by the head of the public body. The exemption provided in this paragraph (f) extends to all those records of officers and agencies of the General Assembly that pertain to the preparation of legislative documents.
- information obtained from a person or business where the trade secrets or commercial or financial information are furnished under a claim that they are proprietary, privileged, or confidential, and that disclosure of the trade secrets or commercial or financial information would cause competitive harm to the person or business, and only insofar as the claim directly applies to the records requested.

The information included under this exemption includes all trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained by a public body, including a public pension fund, from a private equity fund or a privately held company within the investment portfolio of a private equity fund as a result of either investing or evaluating a potential investment of public funds in a private equity fund. The exemption contained in this item does not apply

to the aggregate financial performance information of a private equity fund, nor to the identity of the fund's managers or general partners. The exemption contained in this item does not apply to the identity of a privately held company within the investment portfolio of a private equity fund, unless the disclosure of the identity of a privately held company may cause competitive harm.

Nothing contained in this paragraph (g) shall be construed to prevent a person or business from consenting to disclosure.

- (h) Proposals and bids for any contract, grant, or agreement, including information which if it were disclosed would frustrate procurement or give an advantage to any person proposing to enter into a contractor agreement with the body, until an award or final selection is made. Information prepared by or for the body in preparation of a bid solicitation shall be exempt until an award or final selection is made.
- (i) Valuable formulae, computer geographic systems, designs, drawings and research data obtained or produced by any public body when disclosure could reasonably be expected to produce private gain or public loss. The exemption for "computer geographic systems" provided in this paragraph (i) does not extend to requests made by news media as defined in Section 2 of this Act when the requested information is not otherwise exempt and the only

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- (j) The following information pertaining to educational matters:
 - (i) test questions, scoring keys and other examination data used to administer an academic examination;
 - (ii) information received by a primary or secondary school, college, or university under its procedures for the evaluation of faculty members by their academic peers;
 - (iii) information concerning a school or university's adjudication of student disciplinary cases, but only to the extent that disclosure would unavoidably reveal the identity of the student; and
 - (iv) course materials or research materials used by faculty members.
- (k) Architects' plans, engineers' technical submissions, and other construction related technical documents for projects not constructed or developed in whole or in part with public funds and the same for projects constructed or developed with public funds, including, but not limited to, power generating and distribution stations and other transmission and distribution facilities, water treatment facilities,

airport facilities, sport stadiums, convention centers, and all government owned, operated, or occupied buildings, but only to the extent that disclosure would compromise security.

- (1) Minutes of meetings of public bodies closed to the public as provided in the Open Meetings Act until the public body makes the minutes available to the public under Section 2.06 of the Open Meetings Act.
- (m) Communications between a public body and an attorney or auditor representing the public body that would not be subject to discovery in litigation, and materials prepared or compiled by or for a public body in anticipation of a criminal, civil, or administrative proceeding upon the request of an attorney advising the public body, and materials prepared or compiled with respect to internal audits of public bodies.
- (n) Records relating to a public body's adjudication of employee grievances or disciplinary cases; however, this exemption shall not extend to the final outcome of cases in which discipline is imposed.
- (o) Administrative or technical information associated with automated data processing operations, including, but not limited to, software, operating protocols, computer program abstracts, file layouts, source listings, object modules, load modules, user guides, documentation pertaining to all logical and physical design of

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- computerized systems, employee manuals, and any other information that, if disclosed, would jeopardize the security of the system or its data or the security of materials exempt under this Section.
 - (p) Records relating to collective negotiating matters between public bodies and their employees or representatives, except that any final contract or agreement shall be subject to inspection and copying.
 - (q) Test questions, scoring keys, and other examination data used to determine the qualifications of an applicant for a license or employment.
 - (r) The records, documents, and information relating to real estate purchase negotiations until negotiations have been completed or otherwise terminated. With regard to a parcel involved in a pending or actually and reasonably contemplated eminent domain proceeding under the Eminent Domain Act, records, documents, and information relating to that parcel shall be exempt except as may be allowed under discovery rules adopted by the Illinois Supreme Court. The records, documents, and information relating to a real estate sale shall be exempt until a sale is consummated.
 - (s) Any and all proprietary information and records related to the operation of an intergovernmental risk management association or self-insurance pool or jointly self-administered health and accident cooperative or pool.

- Insurance or self insurance (including any intergovernmental risk management association or self insurance pool) claims, loss or risk management information, records, data, advice or communications.
- (t) Information contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of a public body responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions, insurance companies, or pharmacy benefit managers, unless disclosure is otherwise required by State law.
- (u) Information that would disclose or might lead to the disclosure of secret or confidential information, codes, algorithms, programs, or private keys intended to be used to create electronic or digital signatures under the Electronic Commerce Security Act.
- (v) Vulnerability assessments, security measures, and response policies or plans that are designed to identify, prevent, or respond to potential attacks upon a community's population or systems, facilities, or installations, the destruction or contamination of which would constitute a clear and present danger to the health or safety of the community, but only to the extent that disclosure could reasonably be expected to jeopardize the effectiveness of the measures or the safety of the personnel who implement them or the public. Information

exempt under this item may include such things as details pertaining to the mobilization or deployment of personnel or equipment, to the operation of communication systems or protocols, or to tactical operations.

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- (x) Maps and other records regarding the location or security of generation, transmission, distribution, storage, gathering, treatment, or switching facilities owned by a utility, by a power generator, or by the Illinois Power Agency.
- (y) Information contained in or related to proposals, bids, or negotiations related to electric power procurement under Section 1-75 of the Illinois Power Agency Act and Section 16-111.5 of the Public Utilities Act that is determined to be confidential and proprietary by the Illinois Power Agency or by the Illinois Commerce Commission.
- (z) Information about students exempted from disclosure under Sections 10-20.38 or 34-18.29 of the School Code, and information about undergraduate students enrolled at an institution of higher education exempted from disclosure under Section 25 of the Illinois Credit Card Marketing Act of 2009.
- (aa) Information the disclosure of which is exempted under the Viatical Settlements Act of 2009.
 - (bb) Records and information provided to a mortality

review team and records maintained by a mortality review
team appointed under the Department of Juvenile Justice
Mortality Review Team Act.

- (cc) Information regarding interments, entombments, or inurnments of human remains that are submitted to the Cemetery Oversight Database under the Cemetery Care Act or the Cemetery Oversight Act, whichever is applicable.
- (dd) Correspondence and records (i) that may not be disclosed under Section 11-9 of the Illinois Public Aid Code or (ii) that pertain to appeals under Section 11-8 of the Illinois Public Aid Code.
- (ee) The names, addresses, or other personal information of persons who are minors and are also participants and registrants in programs of park districts, forest preserve districts, conservation districts, recreation agencies, and special recreation associations.
- (ff) The names, addresses, or other personal information of participants and registrants in programs of park districts, forest preserve districts, conservation districts, recreation agencies, and special recreation associations where such programs are targeted primarily to minors.
- (gg) Confidential information described in Section 1-100 of the Illinois Independent Tax Tribunal Act of 2012.

- (hh) The report submitted to the State Board of Education by the School Security and Standards Task Force under item (8) of subsection (d) of Section 2-3.160 of the School Code and any information contained in that report.
- (ii) Records requested by persons committed to or detained by the Department of Human Services under the Sexually Violent Persons Commitment Act or committed to the Department of Corrections under the Sexually Dangerous Persons Act if those materials: (i) are available in the library of the facility where the individual is confined; (ii) include records from staff members' personnel files, staff rosters, or other staffing assignment information; or (iii) are available through an administrative request to the Department of Human Services or the Department of Corrections.
- (jj) Confidential information described in Section 5-535 of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois.
- (kk) The public body's credit card numbers, debit card numbers, bank account numbers, Federal Employer Identification Number, security code numbers, passwords, and similar account information, the disclosure of which could result in identity theft or impression or defrauding of a governmental entity or a person.
- (11) (kk) Records concerning the work of the threat assessment team of a school district.
 - (mm) Records identified under subsection (a) of

1 Section 5-30 of the Community Improvement Land Bank Act.

- 2 (1.5) Any information exempt from disclosure under the 3 Judicial Privacy Act shall be redacted from public records
- 4 prior to disclosure under this Act.
- 5 (2) A public record that is not in the possession of a
- 6 public body but is in the possession of a party with whom the
- 7 agency has contracted to perform a governmental function on
- 8 behalf of the public body, and that directly relates to the
- 9 governmental function and is not otherwise exempt under this
- 10 Act, shall be considered a public record of the public body,
- 11 for purposes of this Act.
- 12 (3) This Section does not authorize withholding of
- information or limit the availability of records to the
- 14 public, except as stated in this Section or otherwise provided
- in this Act.
- 16 (Source: P.A. 100-26, eff. 8-4-17; 100-201, eff. 8-18-17;
- 17 100-732, eff. 8-3-18; 101-434, eff. 1-1-20; 101-452, eff.
- 18 1-1-20; 101-455, eff. 8-23-19; revised 9-27-19.)
- 19 Section 90-10. The Illinois Finance Authority Act is
- 20 amended by changing Sections 815-10, 815-20, 815-25, and
- 21 815-30 as follows:
- 22 (20 ILCS 3501/815-10)
- Sec. 815-10. Definitions. The following terms, whenever
- used or referred to in this Article, shall have the following

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- 1 meanings ascribed to them, except where the context clearly
 2 requires otherwise:
- 3 (a) "Property" means land, parcels or combination of 4 parcels, structures, and all improvements, easements and 5 franchises.
 - (b) "Redevelopment area" means any property which is a contiguous area of at least 2 acres but less than 160 acres in the aggregate located within one and one-half miles of the corporate limits of a municipality and not included within any municipality, where, (1) if improved, a substantial proportion of the industrial, commercial and residential buildings or improvements are detrimental to the public safety, health, morals or welfare because of a combination of any of the following factors: age; physical configuration; dilapidation; structural or economic obsolescence; deterioration; illegal use of individual structures; presence of structures below minimum code standards; excessive and sustained vacancies; of structures and community facilities; overcrowding inadequate ventilation, light, sewer, water, transportation and other infrastructure facilities; inadequate utilities; excessive land coverage; deleterious land use or layout; depreciation or lack of physical maintenance; and lack of community planning; or (2) if vacant, the sound utilization of land for industrial projects is impaired by a combination of 2 or more of the following factors: obsolete platting of the vacant land; diversity of ownership of such land; tax and

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assessment delinquencies on such land: and of site deterioration structures or improvements in neighboring areas to the vacant land, or the area immediately prior to becoming vacant qualified as a redevelopment improved area; or (3) if an improved area within the boundaries of a development project is located within the corporate limits of the municipality in which 50% or more of the structures in the area have an age of 35 years or more, such area does not qualify under clause (1) but is detrimental to the public safety, health, morals or welfare and such area may become a redevelopment area pursuant to clause (1) because of a combination of 3 or more of the factors specified in clause (1).

- (c) "Enterprise" means an individual, corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, estate, or unincorporated association.
- (d) "Development plan" means the comprehensive program of the Authority and the participating entity to reduce or eliminate those conditions the existence of which qualified the project area as a redevelopment area. Each development plan shall set forth in writing the program to be undertaken to accomplish such objectives and shall include, without limitation, estimated development project costs, the sources of funds to pay costs, the nature and term of any obligations to be issued, the most recent equalized assessed valuation of the project area, an estimate as to the equalized assessed

- 1 valuation after development and the general land uses to apply
- 2 in the project area.
- 3 (e) "Development project" means any project in furtherance
- 4 of the objectives of a development plan, including any
- 5 building or buildings or building addition or other structures
- 6 to be newly constructed, renovated or improved and suitable
- 7 for use by an enterprise as an industrial project, and
- 8 includes the sites and other rights in the property on which
- 9 such buildings or structures are located.
- 10 (f) "Participating entity" means a municipality, a local
- 11 industrial development agency or an enterprise or any
- 12 combination thereof.
- 13 (g) "Community improvement land bank" has the meaning
- qiven to that term in Section 1-5 of the Community Improvement
- 15 Land Bank Act.
- 16 (Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07.)
- 17 (20 ILCS 3501/815-20)
- 18 Sec. 815-20. Powers and Duties.
- 19 (a) The Authority shall have the following powers with
- 20 respect to redevelopment areas:
- 21 (1) To acquire and possess property in a redevelopment
- 22 area;
- 23 (2) To clear any such areas so acquired by demolition
- of existing structures and buildings and to make necessary
- 25 improvements to the property essential to its reuse in

conformity with a development plan; and

- 2 (3) To convey property for use in accordance with a development plan.
 - (b) Before acquiring property under this Section the Authority shall hold a public hearing after notice published in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the property is located and shall find:
 - (1) The property is in a redevelopment area;
 - (2) Such acquisition or possession is necessary or reasonably required to retain existing enterprises or attract new enterprises and to promote sound economic growth and to carry out the purposes of Section 815-5 through 815-30 of this Act;
 - (3) The assembly of property is not unduly competitive with similar assemblies by private enterprise <u>or community</u> <u>improvement land banks</u> in the area or surrounding areas; and
 - (4) The participating entity, without the involvement of the Authority, would be unlikely, unwilling or unable to undertake such redevelopment of the property as was necessary for economic development.
 - (c) No property may be acquired by the Authority unless the acquisition is consented to by resolution of the corporate authorities of the municipality with jurisdiction over the property under Section 11-12-6 of the Municipal Code.
 - (d) The Authority may acquire any interest in property in

- 1 a redevelopment area by purchase, lease, or gift, but shall
- 2 not have the power of condemnation.
- 3 (e) No property shall be acquired under this Section
- 4 unless the Authority has adopted a development plan under the
- 5 provisions of Section 815-25.
- 6 (Source: P.A. 93-205, eff. 1-1-04.)
- 7 (20 ILCS 3501/815-25)
- 8 Sec. 815-25. Development Plans.
- 9 (a) No development plan shall be approved by the Authority
- 10 unless after a public hearing held upon notice published in a
- 11 newspaper of general circulation in the county where the
- 12 property is located, the Authority finds:
- 13 (1) The plan provides for projects which will reduce
- 14 unemployment;
- 15 (2) The redevelopment area on the whole has not been
- 16 subject to growth and development through investment by
- private enterprise or community improvement land banks and
- 18 would not reasonably be anticipated to be developed
- 19 without the adoption of the development plan;
- 20 (3) The corporate authorities of the municipality with
- jurisdiction over the property under Section 11-12-6 of
- 22 the Municipal Code have by resolution found that the
- development plan conforms to the comprehensive plan of the
- 24 municipality;
- 25 (4) A participating entity has agreed to enter into

such contracts and other agreements as are necessary to acquire, redevelop and improve the property in accordance with the development plan;

- (5) The acquisition of the property, its possession and ultimate use according to the development plan can be financed by participating entities and the Authority and the development plan will be completed and all obligations of the Authority incurred in connection with the redevelopment plan will be retired within 20 years from the Authority's approval of the development plan; and
- (6) The development plan meets such other requirements as the Authority may establish by rule.
- (b) The Authority may dispose of any property which is the subject of a development plan in such manner, whether by sale, lease or otherwise, and for such price, rental or other consideration, including an amount not less than 2/3 of its acquisition cost, payable over such term, and bearing interest as to deferred payments, and secured in such manner, by mortgage or otherwise, all as the Authority shall provide in the development plan.
- (c) Pending disposition of such land, any existing property acquired by the Authority in the course of carrying out the provisions of this Act may be adequately and properly preserved, and may be maintained, leased or administered by the Authority by a contract made by the Authority with any participating entity, enterprise or individual with experience

- 1 in the area of property development, management or
- 2 administration.
- 3 (d) Whenever the Authority shall have approved a
- 4 development plan, the Authority may amend the development plan
- from time to time in conformity with this Section.
- 6 (Source: P.A. 93-205, eff. 1-1-04.)
- 7 (20 ILCS 3501/815-30)
- 8 Sec. 815-30. Local Planning; Relocation Costs. The
- 9 Authority may arrange or contract with a municipality or
- 10 municipalities, or a community improvement land bank or land
- 11 banks for the planning, re-planning, opening, grading or
- 12 closing of streets, roads, alleys or other places or for the
- 13 furnishing of facilities or for the acquisition by the
- 14 municipality, or municipalities, or community improvement land
- bank or land banks of property or property rights or for the
- 16 furnishing of property or services in connection with a
- 17 development project or projects. The Authority is hereby
- 18 authorized to pay the reasonable relocation costs, up to a
- 19 total of \$25,000 per relocatee, of persons and businesses
- 20 displaced as a result of carrying out a development plan as
- 21 authorized by this Article.
- 22 (Source: P.A. 93-205, eff. 1-1-04.)
- 23 Section 90-15. The Illinois State Auditing Act is amended
- 24 by changing Section 3-1 as follows:

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1 (30 ILCS 5/3-1) (from Ch. 15, par. 303-1)

Sec. 3-1. Jurisdiction of Auditor General. The Auditor General has jurisdiction over all State agencies to make post audits and investigations authorized by or under this Act or the Constitution.

The Auditor General has jurisdiction over local government agencies and private agencies only:

- (a) to make such post audits authorized by or under this Act as are necessary and incidental to a post audit of a State agency or of a program administered by a State agency involving public funds of the State, but this jurisdiction does not include any authority to review local governmental agencies in the obligation, receipt, expenditure or use of public funds of the State that are granted without limitation or condition imposed by law, other than the general limitation that such funds be used for public purposes;
- (b) to make investigations authorized by or under this Act or the Constitution; and
- (c) to make audits of the records of local government agencies to verify actual costs of state-mandated programs when directed to do so by the Legislative Audit Commission at the request of the State Board of Appeals under the State Mandates Act; and-
 - (d) to audit annual financial reports of community

improvement land banks under Section 5-20 of the Community Improvement Land Bank Act.

In addition to the foregoing, the Auditor General may conduct an audit of the Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority, the Regional Transportation Authority, the Suburban Bus Division, the Commuter Rail Division and the Chicago Transit Authority and any other subsidized carrier when authorized by the Legislative Audit Commission. Such audit may be a financial, management or program audit, or any combination thereof.

The audit shall determine whether they are operating in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations. Subject to the limitations of this Act, the Legislative Audit Commission may by resolution specify additional determinations to be included in the scope of the audit.

In addition to the foregoing, the Auditor General must also conduct a financial audit of the Illinois Sports Facilities Authority's expenditures of public funds in connection with the reconstruction, renovation, remodeling, extension, or improvement of all or substantially all of any existing "facility", as that term is defined in the Illinois Sports Facilities Authority Act.

The Auditor General may also conduct an audit, when authorized by the Legislative Audit Commission, of any hospital which receives 10% or more of its gross revenues from payments from the State of Illinois, Department of Healthcare

- 1 and Family Services (formerly Department of Public Aid),
- 2 Medical Assistance Program.
- 3 The Auditor General is authorized to conduct financial and
- 4 compliance audits of the Illinois Distance Learning Foundation
- 5 and the Illinois Conservation Foundation.
- As soon as practical after the effective date of this
- 7 amendatory Act of 1995, the Auditor General shall conduct a
- 8 compliance and management audit of the City of Chicago and any
- 9 other entity with regard to the operation of Chicago O'Hare
- 10 International Airport, Chicago Midway Airport and Merrill C.
- 11 Meigs Field. The audit shall include, but not be limited to, an
- 12 examination of revenues, expenses, and transfers of funds;
- 13 purchasing and contracting policies and practices; staffing
- 14 levels; and hiring practices and procedures. When completed,
- 15 the audit required by this paragraph shall be distributed in
- 16 accordance with Section 3-14.
- 17 The Auditor General shall conduct a financial and
- 18 compliance and program audit of distributions from the
- 19 Municipal Economic Development Fund during the immediately
- 20 preceding calendar year pursuant to Section 8-403.1 of the
- 21 Public Utilities Act at no cost to the city, village, or
- incorporated town that received the distributions.
- 23 The Auditor General must conduct an audit of the Health
- 24 Facilities and Services Review Board pursuant to Section 19.5
- of the Illinois Health Facilities Planning Act.
- 26 The Auditor General of the State of Illinois shall

annually conduct or cause to be conducted a financial and 1 2 compliance audit of the books and records of any county water 3 commission organized pursuant to the Water Commission Act of 1985 and shall file a copy of the report of that audit with the 5 Governor and the Legislative Audit Commission. The filed audit shall be open to the public for inspection. The cost of the 6 audit shall be charged to the county water commission in 7 accordance with Section 6z-27 of the State Finance Act. The 8 9 county water commission shall make available to the Auditor 10 General its books and records and any other documentation, 11 whether in the possession of its trustees or other parties, 12 necessary to conduct the audit required. These audit 13 requirements apply only through July 1, 2007.

The Auditor General must conduct audits of the Rend Lake
Conservancy District as provided in Section 25.5 of the River
Conservancy Districts Act.

The Auditor General must conduct financial audits of the Southeastern Illinois Economic Development Authority as provided in Section 70 of the Southeastern Illinois Economic Development Authority Act.

21 The Auditor General shall conduct a compliance audit in 22 accordance with subsections (d) and (f) of Section 30 of the 23 Innovation Development and Economy Act.

24 (Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07; 96-31, eff. 6-30-09;

25 96-939, eff. 6-24-10.)

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1 Section 90-20. The Property Tax Code is amended by adding

2 Sections 21-11 and 21-450 as follows:

3 (35 ILCS 200/21-11 new)

4 Sec. 21-11. Delinquent tax ledger; community improvement

5 <u>land banks. If a county, municipality, or township makes an</u>

election under subsection (a) of Section 10-5 of the Community

Improvement Land Bank Act and notifies the county auditor or,

if no county auditor, the county clerk, under subsection (c)

of that Section, the auditor or clerk shall create delinquent

property tax ledgers for the reutilization unit, as that term

is defined in the Community Improvement Land Bank Act, in a

form and manner prescribed by the auditor or clerk.

13 The auditor or clerk shall compile and deliver a copy of

the delinquent property tax ledger to the reutilization unit

as provided in subsection (b) of Section 10-10 and include in

such ledger a list as provided in subsection (a) of Section

17 10-20 of the Community Improvement land bank Act.

18 (35 ILCS 200/21-450 new)

19 Sec. 21-450. Community Improvement Land Bank Act. To the

20 extent that foreclosure or forfeiture proceedings under the

21 Community Improvement Land Bank Act conflict with this

Article, the procedures under the Community Improvement Land

23 Bank Act prevail.

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Section 90-25. The Illinois Municipal Code is amended by changing Section 11-74.4-3 as follows:

- 3 (65 ILCS 5/11-74.4-3) (from Ch. 24, par. 11-74.4-3)
- Sec. 11-74.4-3. Definitions. The following terms, wherever used or referred to in this Division 74.4 shall have the following respective meanings, unless in any case a different meaning clearly appears from the context.
 - (a) For any redevelopment project area that has been designated pursuant to this Section by an ordinance adopted prior to November 1, 1999 (the effective date of Public Act 91-478), "blighted area" shall have the meaning set forth in this Section prior to that date.
 - On and after November 1, 1999, "blighted area" means any improved or vacant area within the boundaries of a redevelopment project area located within the territorial limits of the municipality where:
 - (1) If improved, industrial, commercial, and residential buildings or improvements are detrimental to the public safety, health, or welfare because of a combination of 5 or more of the following factors, each of which is (i) present, with that presence documented, to a meaningful extent so that a municipality may reasonably find that the factor is clearly present within the intent of the Act and (ii) reasonably distributed throughout the improved part of the redevelopment project area:

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- (B) Obsolescence. The condition or process of falling into disuse. Structures have become ill-suited for the original use.
- Deterioration. With respect to buildings, defects including, but not limited to, major defects in the secondary building components such as doors, windows, porches, gutters and downspouts, and fascia. With respect to surface improvements, that condition of roadways, alleys, curbs, sidewalks, off-street parking, and surface storage areas evidence deterioration, including, but limited to, surface cracking, crumbling, potholes, depressions, loose paving material, and protruding through paved surfaces.
- (D) Presence of structures below minimum code standards. All structures that do not meet the standards of zoning, subdivision, building, fire, and other governmental codes applicable to property, but not including housing and property maintenance codes.

- 1 (E) Illegal use of individual structures. The use
 2 of structures in violation of applicable federal,
 3 State, or local laws, exclusive of those applicable to
 4 the presence of structures below minimum code
 5 standards.
 - (F) Excessive vacancies. The presence of buildings that are unoccupied or under-utilized and that represent an adverse influence on the area because of the frequency, extent, or duration of the vacancies.
 - (G) Lack of ventilation, light, or sanitary facilities. The absence of adequate ventilation for light or air circulation in spaces or rooms without windows, or that require the removal of dust, odor, gas, smoke, or other noxious airborne materials. Inadequate natural light and ventilation means the absence of skylights or windows for interior spaces or rooms and improper window sizes and amounts by room area to window area ratios. Inadequate sanitary facilities refers to the absence or inadequacy of garbage storage and enclosure, bathroom facilities, hot water and kitchens, and structural inadequacies preventing ingress and egress to and from all rooms and units within a building.
 - (H) Inadequate utilities. Underground and overhead utilities such as storm sewers and storm drainage, sanitary sewers, water lines, and gas, telephone, and

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(I) Excessive land coverage and overcrowding of community facilities. structures and The over-intensive use of property and the crowding of buildings and accessory facilities onto a site. Examples of problem conditions warranting the designation of an area as one exhibiting excessive land coverage are: (i) the presence of buildings either improperly situated on parcels or located on parcels of inadequate size and shape in relation to present-day standards of development for health and safety and (ii) the presence of multiple buildings on a single parcel. For there to be a finding of excessive land coverage, these parcels must exhibit one or more of the following conditions: insufficient provision for light and air within or around buildings, increased threat of spread of fire due to the close proximity of buildings, lack of adequate or proper access to a public right-of-way, lack of reasonably required off-street parking, or inadequate provision for loading and service.

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- (J) Deleterious land use or layout. The existence of incompatible land-use relationships, buildings occupied by inappropriate mixed-uses, or uses considered to be noxious, offensive, or unsuitable for the surrounding area.
 - (K) Environmental clean-up. The proposed redevelopment project area has incurred Illinois Environmental Protection Agency or United States Environmental Protection Agency remediation costs for, or a study conducted by an independent consultant recognized as having expertise in environmental remediation has determined a need for, the clean-up of hazardous waste, hazardous substances, or underground storage tanks required by State or federal law, provided that the remediation costs constitute a material impediment to the development redevelopment of the redevelopment project area.
 - (L) Lack of community planning. The proposed redevelopment project area was developed prior to or without the benefit or guidance of a community plan. This means that the development occurred prior to the adoption by the municipality of a comprehensive or other community plan or that the plan was not followed at the time of the area's development. This factor must be documented by evidence of adverse or incompatible land-use relationships, inadequate street

layout, improper subdivision, parcels of inadequate shape and size to meet contemporary development standards, or other evidence demonstrating an absence of effective community planning.

- (M) The total equalized assessed value of the proposed redevelopment project area has declined for 3 of the last 5 calendar years prior to the year in which the redevelopment project area is designated or is increasing at an annual rate that is less than the balance of the municipality for 3 of the last 5 calendar years for which information is available or is increasing at an annual rate that is less than the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers published by the United States Department of Labor or successor agency for 3 of the last 5 calendar years prior to the year in which the redevelopment project area is designated.
- (2) If vacant, the sound growth of the redevelopment project area is impaired by a combination of 2 or more of the following factors, each of which is (i) present, with that presence documented, to a meaningful extent so that a municipality may reasonably find that the factor is clearly present within the intent of the Act and (ii) reasonably distributed throughout the vacant part of the redevelopment project area to which it pertains:
 - (A) Obsolete platting of vacant land that results

in parcels of limited or narrow size or configurations of parcels of irregular size or shape that would be difficult to develop on a planned basis and in a manner compatible with contemporary standards and requirements, or platting that failed to create rights-of-ways for streets or alleys or that created inadequate right-of-way widths for streets, alleys, or other public rights-of-way or that omitted easements for public utilities.

- (B) Diversity of ownership of parcels of vacant land sufficient in number to retard or impede the ability to assemble the land for development.
- (C) Tax and special assessment delinquencies exist or the property has been the subject of tax sales under the Property Tax Code within the last 5 years.
- (D) Deterioration of structures or site improvements in neighboring areas adjacent to the vacant land.
- (E) The area has incurred Illinois Environmental Protection Agency or United States Environmental Protection Agency remediation costs for, or a study conducted by an independent consultant recognized as having expertise in environmental remediation has determined a need for, the clean-up of hazardous waste, hazardous substances, or underground storage tanks required by State or federal law, provided that

the remediation costs constitute a material impediment to the development or redevelopment of the redevelopment project area.

- (F) The total equalized assessed value of the proposed redevelopment project area has declined for 3 of the last 5 calendar years prior to the year in which the redevelopment project area is designated or is increasing at an annual rate that is less than the balance of the municipality for 3 of the last 5 calendar years for which information is available or is increasing at an annual rate that is less than the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers published by the United States Department of Labor or successor agency for 3 of the last 5 calendar years prior to the year in which the redevelopment project area is designated.
- (3) If vacant, the sound growth of the redevelopment project area is impaired by one of the following factors that (i) is present, with that presence documented, to a meaningful extent so that a municipality may reasonably find that the factor is clearly present within the intent of the Act and (ii) is reasonably distributed throughout the vacant part of the redevelopment project area to which it pertains:
 - (A) The area consists of one or more unused quarries, mines, or strip mine ponds.

- 1 (B) The area consists of unused rail yards, rail 2 tracks, or railroad rights-of-way.
 - (C) The area, prior to its designation, is subject to (i) chronic flooding that adversely impacts on real property in the area as certified by a registered professional engineer or appropriate regulatory agency or (ii) surface water that discharges from all or a part of the area and contributes to flooding within the same watershed, but only if the redevelopment project provides for facilities or improvements to contribute to the alleviation of all or part of the flooding.
 - (D) The area consists of an unused or illegal disposal site containing earth, stone, building debris, or similar materials that were removed from construction, demolition, excavation, or dredge sites.
 - (E) Prior to November 1, 1999, the area is not less than 50 nor more than 100 acres and 75% of which is vacant (notwithstanding that the area has been used for commercial agricultural purposes within 5 years prior to the designation of the redevelopment project area), and the area meets at least one of the factors itemized in paragraph (1) of this subsection, the area has been designated as a town or village center by ordinance or comprehensive plan adopted prior to January 1, 1982, and the area has not been developed

for that designated purpose.

- (F) The area qualified as a blighted improved area immediately prior to becoming vacant, unless there has been substantial private investment in the immediately surrounding area.
- (b) For any redevelopment project area that has been designated pursuant to this Section by an ordinance adopted prior to November 1, 1999 (the effective date of Public Act 91-478), "conservation area" shall have the meaning set forth in this Section prior to that date.

On and after November 1, 1999, "conservation area" means any improved area within the boundaries of a redevelopment project area located within the territorial limits of the municipality in which 50% or more of the structures in the area have an age of 35 years or more. Such an area is not yet a blighted area but because of a combination of 3 or more of the following factors is detrimental to the public safety, health, morals or welfare and such an area may become a blighted area:

- (1) Dilapidation. An advanced state of disrepair or neglect of necessary repairs to the primary structural components of buildings or improvements in such a combination that a documented building condition analysis determines that major repair is required or the defects are so serious and so extensive that the buildings must be removed.
 - (2) Obsolescence. The condition or process of falling

into disuse. Structures have become ill-suited for the original use.

- (3) Deterioration. With respect to buildings, defects including, but not limited to, major defects in the secondary building components such as doors, windows, porches, gutters and downspouts, and fascia. With respect to surface improvements, that the condition of roadways, alleys, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, off-street parking, and surface storage areas evidence deterioration, including, but not limited to, surface cracking, crumbling, potholes, depressions, loose paving material, and weeds protruding through paved surfaces.
- (4) Presence of structures below minimum code standards. All structures that do not meet the standards of zoning, subdivision, building, fire, and other governmental codes applicable to property, but not including housing and property maintenance codes.
- (5) Illegal use of individual structures. The use of structures in violation of applicable federal, State, or local laws, exclusive of those applicable to the presence of structures below minimum code standards.
- (6) Excessive vacancies. The presence of buildings that are unoccupied or under-utilized and that represent an adverse influence on the area because of the frequency, extent, or duration of the vacancies.
 - (7) Lack of ventilation, light, or sanitary

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- Inadequate utilities. Underground and overhead utilities such as storm sewers and storm drainage, sanitary sewers, water lines, and gas, telephone, and electrical services that are shown to be inadequate. Inadequate utilities are those that are: (i) of insufficient capacity to serve the in the uses redevelopment project area, (ii) deteriorated, antiquated, obsolete, or in disrepair, or (iii) lacking within the redevelopment project area.
- (9) Excessive land coverage and overcrowding of structures and community facilities. The over-intensive use of property and the crowding of buildings and accessory facilities onto a site. Examples of problem conditions warranting the designation of an area as one

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- (10) Deleterious land use or layout. The existence of incompatible land-use relationships, buildings occupied by inappropriate mixed-uses, or uses considered to be noxious, offensive, or unsuitable for the surrounding area.
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- (12) The area has incurred Illinois Environmental Protection Agency or United States Environmental Protection Agency remediation costs for, or a study conducted by an independent consultant recognized as having expertise in environmental remediation determined a need for, the clean-up of hazardous waste, hazardous substances, or underground storage tanks required by State or federal law, provided that the remediation costs constitute a material impediment to the development or redevelopment of the redevelopment project area.
- (13) The total equalized assessed value of the proposed redevelopment project area has declined for 3 of the last 5 calendar years for which information is available or is increasing at an annual rate that is less than the balance of the municipality for 3 of the last 5 calendar years for which information is available or is increasing at an annual rate that is less than the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers published by the United States Department of Labor or successor agency for 3 of the last 5 calendar years for which information is available.

- (c) "Industrial park" means an area in a blighted or conservation area suitable for use by any manufacturing, industrial, research or transportation enterprise, of facilities to include but not be limited to factories, mills, processing plants, assembly plants, packing plants, fabricating plants, industrial distribution centers, warehouses, repair overhaul or service facilities, freight terminals, research facilities, test facilities or railroad facilities.
 - (d) "Industrial park conservation area" means an area within the boundaries of a redevelopment project area located within the territorial limits of a municipality that is a labor surplus municipality or within 1 1/2 miles of the territorial limits of a municipality that is a labor surplus municipality if the area is annexed to the municipality; which area is zoned as industrial no later than at the time the municipality by ordinance designates the redevelopment project area, and which area includes both vacant land suitable for use as an industrial park and a blighted area or conservation area contiguous to such vacant land.
 - (e) "Labor surplus municipality" means a municipality in which, at any time during the 6 months before the municipality by ordinance designates an industrial park conservation area, the unemployment rate was over 6% and was also 100% or more of the national average unemployment rate for that same time as published in the United States Department of Labor Bureau of

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- 1 publication entitled "The Labor Statistics Employment Situation" or its successor publication. For the purpose of 2 3 this subsection, if unemployment rate statistics for the municipality are not available, the unemployment rate in the 4 5 municipality shall be deemed to be the same the 6 unemployment rate in the principal county in which the 7 municipality is located.
 - (f) "Municipality" shall mean a city, village, incorporated town, or a township that is located in the unincorporated portion of a county with 3 million or more inhabitants, if the county adopted an ordinance that approved the township's redevelopment plan.
 - (g) "Initial Sales Tax Amounts" means the amount of taxes paid under the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act, Use Tax Act, Service Use Tax Act, the Service Occupation Tax Act, the Municipal Retailers' Occupation Tax Act, and the Municipal Service Occupation Tax Act by retailers and servicemen on transactions at places located in a State Sales Tax Boundary during the calendar year 1985.
 - (g-1) "Revised Initial Sales Tax Amounts" means the amount of taxes paid under the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act, Use Tax Act, Service Use Tax Act, the Service Occupation Tax Act, the Municipal Retailers' Occupation Tax Act, and the Municipal Service Occupation Tax Act by retailers and servicemen on transactions at places located within the State Sales Tax Boundary revised pursuant to Section 11-74.4-8a(9) of this

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(h) "Municipal Sales Tax Increment" means an amount equal to the increase in the aggregate amount of taxes paid to a municipality from the Local Government Tax Fund arising from sales by retailers and servicemen within the redevelopment project area or State Sales Tax Boundary, as the case may be, for as long as the redevelopment project area or State Sales Tax Boundary, as the case may be, exist over and above the aggregate amount of taxes as certified by the Illinois Department of Revenue and paid under the Municipal Retailers' Occupation Tax Act and the Municipal Service Occupation Tax Act by retailers and servicemen, on transactions at places of business located in the redevelopment project area or State Sales Tax Boundary, as the case may be, during the base year which shall be the calendar year immediately prior to the year in which the municipality adopted tax increment allocation financing. For purposes of computing the aggregate amount of such taxes for base years occurring prior to 1985, the Department of Revenue shall determine the Initial Sales Tax Amounts for such taxes and deduct therefrom an amount equal to 4% of the aggregate amount of taxes per year for each year the base year is prior to 1985, but not to exceed a total deduction of 12%. The amount so determined shall be known as the "Adjusted Initial Sales Tax Amounts". For purposes determining the Municipal Sales Tax Increment, the Department of Revenue shall for each period subtract from the amount paid

to the municipality from the Local Government Tax Fund arising 1 2 from sales by retailers and servicemen on transactions located 3 in the redevelopment project area or the State Sales Tax Boundary, as the case may be, the certified Initial Sales Tax 5 Amounts, the Adjusted Initial Sales Tax Amounts or the Revised Initial Sales Tax Amounts for the Municipal Retailers' 6 7 Occupation Tax Act and the Municipal Service Occupation Tax Act. For the State Fiscal Year 1989, this calculation shall be 8 9 made by utilizing the calendar year 1987 to determine the tax 10 amounts received. For the State Fiscal Year 1990, this 11 calculation shall be made by utilizing the period from January 12 1, 1988, until September 30, 1988, to determine the tax amounts received from retailers and servicemen pursuant to the 13 14 Municipal Retailers' Occupation Tax and the Municipal Service 15 Occupation Tax Act, which shall have deducted therefrom 16 nine-twelfths of the certified Initial Sales Tax Amounts, the 17 Adjusted Initial Sales Tax Amounts or the Revised Initial Sales Tax Amounts as appropriate. For the State Fiscal Year 18 1991, this calculation shall be made by utilizing the period 19 20 from October 1, 1988, to June 30, 1989, to determine the tax amounts received from retailers and servicemen pursuant to the 21 22 Municipal Retailers' Occupation Tax and the Municipal Service Occupation Tax Act which shall have deducted therefrom 23 nine-twelfths of the certified Initial Sales Tax Amounts, 24 25 Adjusted Initial Sales Tax Amounts or the Revised Initial 26 Sales Tax Amounts as appropriate. For every State Fiscal Year

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 the case may be.
 - (i) "Net State Sales Tax Increment" means the sum of the following: (a) 80% of the first \$100,000 of State Sales Tax Increment annually generated within a State Sales Tax Boundary; (b) 60% of the amount in excess of \$100,000 but not exceeding \$500,000 of State Sales Tax Increment annually generated within a State Sales Tax Boundary; and (c) 40% of all amounts in excess of \$500,000 of State Sales Tax Increment annually generated within a State Sales Tax Boundary. If, however, a municipality established a tax increment financing district in a county with a population in excess of 3,000,000 before January 1, 1986, and the municipality entered into a contract or issued bonds after January 1, 1986, but before December 31, 1986, to finance redevelopment project costs within a State Sales Tax Boundary, then the Net State Sales Tax Increment means, for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 1990, and July 1, 1991, 100% of the State Sales Tax Increment annually generated within a State Sales Tax Boundary; and notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, for those fiscal years the Department of Revenue shall distribute to those municipalities 100% of their Net State Sales Tax

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Increment before any distribution to any other municipality and regardless of whether or not those other municipalities will receive 100% of their Net State Sales Tax Increment. For Fiscal Year 1999, and every year thereafter until the year 2007, for any municipality that has not entered into a contract or has not issued bonds prior to June 1, 1988 to finance redevelopment project costs within a State Sales Tax State Sales Boundary, the Net Tax Increment shall calculated as follows: By multiplying the Net State Sales Tax Increment by 90% in the State Fiscal Year 1999; 80% in the State Fiscal Year 2000; 70% in the State Fiscal Year 2001; 60% in the State Fiscal Year 2002; 50% in the State Fiscal Year 2003; 40% in the State Fiscal Year 2004; 30% in the State Fiscal Year 2005; 20% in the State Fiscal Year 2006; and 10% in the State Fiscal Year 2007. No payment shall be made for State Fiscal Year 2008 and thereafter.

Municipalities that issued bonds in connection with a redevelopment project in a redevelopment project area within the State Sales Tax Boundary prior to July 29, 1991, or that entered into contracts in connection with a redevelopment project in a redevelopment project area before June 1, 1988, shall continue to receive their proportional share of the Illinois Tax Increment Fund distribution until the date on which the redevelopment project is completed or terminated. If, however, a municipality that issued bonds in connection with a redevelopment project in a redevelopment project area

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(j) "State Utility Tax Increment Amount" means an amount equal to the aggregate increase in State electric and gas tax charges imposed on owners and tenants, other than residential customers, of properties located within the redevelopment project area under Section 9-222 of the Public Utilities Act, over and above the aggregate of such charges as certified by the Department of Revenue and paid by owners and tenants, other than residential customers, of properties within the redevelopment project area during the base year, which shall

- be the calendar year immediately prior to the year of the adoption of the ordinance authorizing tax increment allocation financing.
- (k) "Net State Utility Tax Increment" means the sum of the 5 following: (a) 80% of the first \$100,000 of State Utility Tax Increment annually generated by a redevelopment project area; 6 7 (b) 60% of the amount in excess of \$100,000 but not exceeding 8 \$500,000 of the State Utility Tax Increment annually generated 9 by a redevelopment project area; and (c) 40% of all amounts in 10 excess of \$500,000 of State Utility Tax Increment annually 11 generated by a redevelopment project area. For the State 12 Fiscal Year 1999, and every year thereafter until the year 2007, for any municipality that has not entered into a 13 14 contract or has not issued bonds prior to June 1, 1988 to 15 finance redevelopment project costs within a redevelopment 16 project area, the Net State Utility Tax Increment shall be 17 calculated as follows: By multiplying the Net State Utility Tax Increment by 90% in the State Fiscal Year 1999; 80% in the 18 State Fiscal Year 2000; 70% in the State Fiscal Year 2001; 60% 19 20 in the State Fiscal Year 2002; 50% in the State Fiscal Year 2003; 40% in the State Fiscal Year 2004; 30% in the State 21 22 Fiscal Year 2005; 20% in the State Fiscal Year 2006; and 10% in 23 the State Fiscal Year 2007. No payment shall be made for the State Fiscal Year 2008 and thereafter. 24
 - Municipalities that issue bonds in connection with the redevelopment project during the period from June 1, 1988

until 3 years after the effective date of this Amendatory Act of 1988 shall receive the Net State Utility Tax Increment, subject to appropriation, for 15 State Fiscal Years after the issuance of such bonds. For the 16th through the 20th State Fiscal Years after issuance of the bonds, the Net State Utility Tax Increment shall be calculated as follows: By multiplying the Net State Utility Tax Increment by 90% in year 16; 80% in year 17; 70% in year 18; 60% in year 19; and 50% in year 20. Refunding of any bonds issued prior to June 1, 1988, shall not alter the revised Net State Utility Tax Increment payments set forth above.

- (1) "Obligations" mean bonds, loans, debentures, notes, special certificates or other evidence of indebtedness issued by the municipality to carry out a redevelopment project or to refund outstanding obligations.
- (m) "Payment in lieu of taxes" means those estimated tax revenues from real property in a redevelopment project area derived from real property that has been acquired by a municipality which according to the redevelopment project or plan is to be used for a private use which taxing districts would have received had a municipality not acquired the real property and adopted tax increment allocation financing and which would result from levies made after the time of the adoption of tax increment allocation financing to the time the current equalized value of real property in the redevelopment project area exceeds the total initial equalized value of real

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(n) "Redevelopment plan" means the comprehensive program of the municipality for development or redevelopment intended by the payment of redevelopment project costs to reduce or eliminate those conditions the existence of which qualified the redevelopment project area as a "blighted area" or "conservation area" or combination thereof or "industrial park conservation area," and thereby to enhance the tax bases of the taxing districts which extend into the redevelopment project area, provided that, with respect to redevelopment project areas described in subsections (p-1) and "redevelopment plan" means the comprehensive program of the affected municipality for the development of qualifying transit facilities. On and after November 1, 1999 effective date of Public Act 91-478), no redevelopment plan may be approved or amended that includes the development of vacant land (i) with a golf course and related clubhouse and other facilities or (ii) designated by federal, State, county, municipal government as public land for outdoor orrecreational activities or for nature preserves and used for that purpose within 5 years prior to the adoption of the redevelopment plan. For the purpose of this subsection, "recreational activities" is limited to mean camping and hunting. Each redevelopment plan shall set forth in writing the program to be undertaken to accomplish the objectives and shall include but not be limited to:

	(A)	an	itemized	list	of	estimated	redevelopment
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- (B) evidence indicating that the redevelopment project area on the whole has not been subject to growth and development through investment by private enterprise, provided that such evidence shall not be required for any redevelopment project area located within a transit facility improvement area established pursuant to Section 11-74.4-3.3:
- (C) an assessment of any financial impact of the redevelopment project area on or any increased demand for services from any taxing district affected by the plan and any program to address such financial impact or increased demand;
 - (D) the sources of funds to pay costs;
- (E) the nature and term of the obligations to be issued;
- (F) the most recent equalized assessed valuation of the redevelopment project area;
- (G) an estimate as to the equalized assessed valuation after redevelopment and the general land uses to apply in the redevelopment project area;
- (H) a commitment to fair employment practices and an affirmative action plan;
- (I) if it concerns an industrial park conservation area, the plan shall also include a general description of

any proposed developer, user and tenant of any property, a description of the type, structure and general character of the facilities to be developed, a description of the type, class and number of new employees to be employed in the operation of the facilities to be developed; and

(J) if property is to be annexed to the municipality, the plan shall include the terms of the annexation agreement.

The provisions of items (B) and (C) of this subsection (n) shall not apply to a municipality that before March 14, 1994 (the effective date of Public Act 88-537) had fixed, either by its corporate authorities or by a commission designated under subsection (k) of Section 11-74.4-4, a time and place for a public hearing as required by subsection (a) of Section 11-74.4-5. No redevelopment plan shall be adopted unless a municipality complies with all of the following requirements:

- (1) The municipality finds that the redevelopment project area on the whole has not been subject to growth and development through investment by private enterprise and would not reasonably be anticipated to be developed without the adoption of the redevelopment plan, provided, however, that such a finding shall not be required with respect to any redevelopment project area located within a transit facility improvement area established pursuant to Section 11-74.4-3.3.
 - (2) The municipality finds that the redevelopment plan

and project conform to the comprehensive plan for the development of the municipality as a whole, or, for municipalities with a population of 100,000 or more, regardless of when the redevelopment plan and project was adopted, the redevelopment plan and project either: (i) conforms to the strategic economic development or redevelopment plan issued by the designated planning authority of the municipality, or (ii) includes land uses that have been approved by the planning commission of the municipality.

(3) The redevelopment plan establishes the estimated dates of completion of the redevelopment project and retirement of obligations issued to finance redevelopment project costs. Those dates may not be later than the dates set forth under Section 11-74.4-3.5.

A municipality may by municipal ordinance amend an existing redevelopment plan to conform to this paragraph (3) as amended by Public Act 91-478, which municipal ordinance may be adopted without further hearing or notice and without complying with the procedures provided in this Act pertaining to an amendment to or the initial approval of a redevelopment plan and project and designation of a redevelopment project area.

(3.5) The municipality finds, in the case of an industrial park conservation area, also that the municipality is a labor surplus municipality and that the

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implementation of the redevelopment plan will reduce unemployment, create new jobs and by the provision of new facilities enhance the tax base of the taxing districts that extend into the redevelopment project area.

- (4) If any incremental revenues are being utilized under Section 8(a)(1) or 8(a)(2) of this Act in redevelopment project areas approved by ordinance after January 1, 1986, the municipality finds: (a) that the redevelopment project area would not reasonably be developed without the use of such incremental revenues, and (b) that such incremental revenues will be exclusively utilized for the development of the redevelopment project area.
- (5) If: (a) the redevelopment plan will not result in displacement of residents from 10 or more inhabited residential units, and the municipality certifies in the plan that such displacement will not result from the plan; (b) the redevelopment plan is for a redevelopment project area located within a transit facility improvement area established pursuant to Section 11-74.4-3.3, and the applicable project is subject to the process for evaluation of environmental effects under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq., then a housing impact study need not be performed. If, however, the redevelopment plan would result in the displacement of residents from 10 or more inhabited

residential units, or if the redevelopment project area contains 75 or more inhabited residential units and no certification is made, then the municipality shall prepare, as part of the separate feasibility report required by subsection (a) of Section 11-74.4-5, a housing impact study.

Part I of the housing impact study shall include (i) data as to whether the residential units are single family or multi-family units, (ii) the number and type of rooms within the units, if that information is available, (iii) whether the units are inhabited or uninhabited, as determined not less than 45 days before the date that the ordinance or resolution required by subsection (a) of Section 11-74.4-5 is passed, and (iv) data as to the racial and ethnic composition of the residents in the inhabited residential units. The data requirement as to the racial and ethnic composition of the residents in the inhabited residential units shall be deemed to be fully satisfied by data from the most recent federal census.

Part II of the housing impact study shall identify the inhabited residential units in the proposed redevelopment project area that are to be or may be removed. If inhabited residential units are to be removed, then the housing impact study shall identify (i) the number and location of those units that will or may be removed, (ii) the municipality's plans for relocation assistance for those

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residents in the proposed redevelopment project area whose residences are to be removed, (iii) the availability of replacement housing for those residents whose residences are to be removed, and shall identify the type, location, and cost of the housing, and (iv) the type and extent of relocation assistance to be provided.

- (6) On and after November 1, 1999, the housing impact study required by paragraph (5) shall be incorporated in the redevelopment plan for the redevelopment project area.
- (7) On and after November 1, 1999, no redevelopment plan shall be adopted, nor an existing plan amended, nor shall residential housing that is occupied by households of low-income and very low-income persons in currently existing redevelopment project areas be removed after November 1, 1999 unless the redevelopment plan provides, with respect to inhabited housing units that are to be removed for households of low-income and very low-income persons, affordable housing and relocation assistance not less than that which would be provided under the federal Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 and the regulations under that Act, including the eligibility criteria. Affordable housing may be either existing or newly constructed housing. For purposes of this paragraph (7), "low-income households", "very low-income households", and "affordable housing" have the meanings set forth in the Illinois

Affordable Housing Act. The municipality shall make a good faith effort to ensure that this affordable housing is located in or near the redevelopment project area within the municipality.

- (8) On and after November 1, 1999, if, after the adoption of the redevelopment plan for the redevelopment project area, any municipality desires to amend its redevelopment plan to remove more inhabited residential units than specified in its original redevelopment plan, that change shall be made in accordance with the procedures in subsection (c) of Section 11-74.4-5.
- (9) For redevelopment project areas designated prior to November 1, 1999, the redevelopment plan may be amended without further joint review board meeting or hearing, provided that the municipality shall give notice of any such changes by mail to each affected taxing district and registrant on the interested party registry, to authorize the municipality to expend tax increment revenues for redevelopment project costs defined by paragraphs (5) and (7.5), subparagraphs (E) and (F) of paragraph (11), and paragraph (11.5) of subsection (q) of Section 11-74.4-3, so long as the changes do not increase the total estimated redevelopment project costs set out in the redevelopment plan by more than 5% after adjustment for inflation from the date the plan was adopted.
- (o) "Redevelopment project" means any public and private

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development project in furtherance of the objectives of a redevelopment plan. On and after November 1, 1999 (the effective date of Public Act 91-478), no redevelopment plan may be approved or amended that includes the development of vacant land (i) with a golf course and related clubhouse and other facilities or (ii) designated by federal, State, county, municipal government as public land for outdoor recreational activities or for nature preserves and used for that purpose within 5 years prior to the adoption of the redevelopment plan. For the purpose of this subsection, "recreational activities" is limited to mean camping and hunting.

- (p) "Redevelopment project area" means an area designated by the municipality, which is not less in the aggregate than 1 1/2 acres and in respect to which the municipality has made a finding that there exist conditions which cause the area to be classified as an industrial park conservation area or a blighted area or a conservation area, or a combination of both blighted areas and conservation areas.
- (p-1) Notwithstanding any provision of this Act to the contrary, on and after August 25, 2009 (the effective date of Public Act 96-680), a redevelopment project area may include areas within a one-half mile radius of an existing or proposed Regional Transportation Authority Suburban Transit Access Route (STAR Line) station without a finding that the area is classified as an industrial park conservation area, a blighted

- area, a conservation area, or a combination thereof, but only
 if the municipality receives unanimous consent from the joint
 review board created to review the proposed redevelopment
 project area.
 - (p-2) Notwithstanding any provision of this Act to the contrary, on and after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 99th General Assembly, a redevelopment project area may include areas within a transit facility improvement area that has been established pursuant to Section 11-74.4-3.3 without a finding that the area is classified as an industrial park conservation area, a blighted area, a conservation area, or any combination thereof.
 - (q) "Redevelopment project costs", except for redevelopment project areas created pursuant to subsection (p-1) or (p-2), means and includes the sum total of all reasonable or necessary costs incurred or estimated to be incurred, and any such costs incidental to a redevelopment plan and a redevelopment project. Such costs include, without limitation, the following:
 - (1) Costs of studies, surveys, development of plans, and specifications, implementation and administration of the redevelopment plan including but not limited to staff and professional service costs for architectural, engineering, legal, financial, planning or other services, provided however that no charges for professional services may be based on a percentage of the tax increment

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collected; except that on and after November 1, 1999 (the effective date of Public Act 91-478), no contracts for professional services, excluding architectural and engineering services, may be entered into if the terms of the contract extend beyond a period of 3 years. addition, "redevelopment project costs" shall not include expenses. After consultation with lobbying the municipality, each tax increment consultant or advisor to a municipality that plans to designate or has designated a redevelopment project area shall inform the municipality in writing of any contracts that the consultant or advisor has entered into with entities or individuals that have received, or are receiving, payments financed by tax increment revenues produced by the redevelopment project area with respect to which the consultant or advisor has performed, or will be performing, service for the municipality. This requirement shall be satisfied by the consultant or advisor before the commencement of services for the municipality and thereafter whenever any other contracts with those individuals or entities are executed by the consultant or advisor;

(1.5) After July 1, 1999, annual administrative costs shall not include general overhead or administrative costs of the municipality that would still have been incurred by the municipality if the municipality had not designated a redevelopment project area or approved a redevelopment

1 plan;

- (1.6) The cost of marketing sites within the redevelopment project area to prospective businesses, developers, and investors;
- (2) Property assembly costs, including but not limited to acquisition of land and other property, real or personal, or rights or interests therein, demolition of buildings, site preparation, site improvements that serve as an engineered barrier addressing ground level or below ground environmental contamination, including, but not limited to parking lots and other concrete or asphalt barriers, and the clearing and grading of land;
- (3) Costs of rehabilitation, reconstruction or repair or remodeling of existing public or private buildings, fixtures, and leasehold improvements; and the cost of replacing an existing public building if pursuant to the implementation of a redevelopment project the existing public building is to be demolished to use the site for private investment or devoted to a different use requiring private investment; including any direct or indirect costs relating to Green Globes or LEED certified construction elements or construction elements with an equivalent certification;
- (4) Costs of the construction of public works or improvements, including any direct or indirect costs relating to Green Globes or LEED certified construction

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elements or construction elements with an equivalent certification, except that on and after November 1, 1999, redevelopment project costs shall not include the cost of constructing a new municipal public building principally used to provide offices, storage space, or conference facilities or vehicle storage, maintenance, or repair for administrative, public safety, or public works personnel and that is not intended to replace an existing public building as provided under paragraph (3) of subsection (q) of Section 11-74.4-3 unless either (i) the construction of the new municipal building implements a redevelopment project that was included in a redevelopment plan that was adopted by the municipality prior to November 1, 1999, (ii) the municipality makes a reasonable determination in the redevelopment plan, supported by information that provides the basis for that determination, that the new municipal building is required to meet an increase in the need for public safety purposes anticipated to result from the implementation of the redevelopment plan, or (iii) the municipal public building is for the maintenance, or repair of transit vehicles and is located in a transit facility improvement area that has been established pursuant to Section 11-74.4-3.3;

(5) Costs of job training and retraining projects, including the cost of "welfare to work" programs implemented by businesses located within the redevelopment

project area;

- (6) Financing costs, including but not limited to all necessary and incidental expenses related to the issuance of obligations and which may include payment of interest on any obligations issued hereunder including interest accruing during the estimated period of construction of any redevelopment project for which such obligations are issued and for not exceeding 36 months thereafter and including reasonable reserves related thereto;
- (7) To the extent the municipality by written agreement accepts and approves the same, all or a portion of a taxing district's capital costs resulting from the redevelopment project necessarily incurred or to be incurred within a taxing district in furtherance of the objectives of the redevelopment plan and project;
- (7.5) For redevelopment project areas designated (or redevelopment project areas amended to add or increase the number of tax-increment-financing assisted housing units) on or after November 1, 1999, an elementary, secondary, or unit school district's increased costs attributable to assisted housing units located within the redevelopment project area for which the developer or redeveloper receives financial assistance through an agreement with the municipality or because the municipality incurs the cost of necessary infrastructure improvements within the boundaries of the assisted housing sites necessary for the

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completion of that housing as authorized by this Act, and which costs shall be paid by the municipality from the Special Tax Allocation Fund when the tax increment revenue is received as a result of the assisted housing units and shall be calculated annually as follows:

(A) for foundation districts, excluding any school district in a municipality with a population in excess of 1,000,000, by multiplying the district's increase in attendance resulting from the net increase in new students enrolled in that school district who reside in housing units within the redevelopment project area that have received financial assistance through an agreement with the municipality or because municipality incurs the cost of necessarv infrastructure improvements within the boundaries of the housing sites necessary for the completion of that housing as authorized by this Act since the designation of the redevelopment project area by the most recently available per capita tuition cost as defined in Section 10-20.12a of the School Code less any increase in general State aid as defined in Section 18-8.05 of the School Code or evidence-based funding as defined in Section 18-8.15 of the School Code attributable to these added new students subject to the following annual limitations:

(i) for unit school districts with a district

average 1995-96 Per Capita Tuition Charge of less
than \$5,900, no more than 25% of the total amount
of property tax increment revenue produced by
those housing units that have received tax
increment finance assistance under this Act;

- (ii) for elementary school districts with a district average 1995-96 Per Capita Tuition Charge of less than \$5,900, no more than 17% of the total amount of property tax increment revenue produced by those housing units that have received tax increment finance assistance under this Act; and
- (iii) for secondary school districts with a district average 1995-96 Per Capita Tuition Charge of less than \$5,900, no more than 8% of the total amount of property tax increment revenue produced by those housing units that have received tax increment finance assistance under this Act.
- (B) For alternate method districts, flat grant districts, and foundation districts with a district average 1995-96 Per Capita Tuition Charge equal to or more than \$5,900, excluding any school district with a population in excess of 1,000,000, by multiplying the district's increase in attendance resulting from the net increase in new students enrolled in that school district who reside in housing units within the redevelopment project area that have received

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financial assistance through an agreement with the municipality or because the municipality incurs the cost of necessary infrastructure improvements within the boundaries of the housing sites necessary for the completion of that housing as authorized by this Act since the designation of the redevelopment project area by the most recently available per capita tuition cost as defined in Section 10-20.12a of the School Code less any increase in general state aid as defined in Section 18-8.05 of the School Code evidence-based funding as defined in Section 18-8.15 of the School Code attributable to these added new students subject to the following annual limitations:

- (i) for unit school districts, no more than 40% of the total amount of property tax increment revenue produced by those housing units that have received tax increment finance assistance under this Act;
- (ii) for elementary school districts, no more than 27% of the total amount of property tax increment revenue produced by those housing units that have received tax increment finance assistance under this Act; and
- (iii) for secondary school districts, no more than 13% of the total amount of property tax increment revenue produced by those housing units

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1	that have received tax increment finance
2	assistance under this Act.
3	(C) For any school district in a municipality with
4	a population in excess of 1,000,000, the following
5	restrictions shall apply to the reimbursement of
6	increased costs under this paragraph (7.5):
7	(i) no increased costs shall be reimbursed
8	unless the school district certifies that each of
9	the schools affected by the assisted housing
10	project is at or over its student capacity;
11	(ii) the amount reimbursable shall be reduced
12	by the value of any land donated to the school
13	district by the municipality or developer, and by
14	the value of any physical improvements made to the
15	schools by the municipality or developer; and
16	(iii) the amount reimbursed may not affect
17	amounts otherwise obligated by the terms of any
18	bonds, notes, or other funding instruments, or the
19	terms of any redevelopment agreement.
20	Any school district seeking payment under this
21	paragraph (7.5) shall, after July 1 and before
22	September 30 of each year, provide the municipality
23	with reasonable evidence to support its claim for

reimbursement before the municipality shall be

required to approve or make the payment to the school

district. If the school district fails to provide the

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information during this period in any year, it shall forfeit any claim to reimbursement for that year. School districts may adopt a resolution waiving the right to all or a portion of the reimbursement otherwise required by this paragraph (7.5). By acceptance of this reimbursement the school district waives the right to directly or indirectly set aside, modify, or contest in any manner the establishment of the redevelopment project area or projects;

(7.7) For redevelopment project areas designated (or redevelopment project areas amended to add or increase the number of tax-increment-financing assisted housing units) on or after January 1, 2005 (the effective date of Public Act 93-961), a public library district's increased costs attributable to assisted housing units located within the redevelopment project area for which the developer or redeveloper receives financial assistance through an agreement with the municipality or because the municipality incurs the cost of necessary infrastructure improvements within the boundaries of the assisted housing sites necessary for the completion of that housing as authorized by this Act shall be paid to the library district by the municipality from the Special Allocation Fund when the tax increment revenue is received as a result of the assisted housing units. This paragraph (7.7) applies only if (i) the library district is located

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in a county that is subject to the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law or (ii) the library district is not located in a county that is subject to the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law but the district is prohibited by any other law from increasing its tax levy rate without a prior voter referendum.

The amount paid to a library district under this paragraph (7.7) shall be calculated by multiplying (i) the net increase in the number of persons eligible to obtain a library card in that district who reside in housing units within the redevelopment project area that have received financial assistance through an agreement with municipality or because the municipality incurs the cost necessary infrastructure improvements within boundaries of the housing sites necessary for completion of that housing as authorized by this Act since the designation of the redevelopment project area by (ii) the per-patron cost of providing library services so long as it does not exceed \$120. The per-patron cost shall be the Total Operating Expenditures Per Capita for the library in the previous fiscal year. The municipality may deduct from the amount that it must pay to a library district under this paragraph any amount that it has voluntarily paid to the library district from the tax increment revenue. The amount paid to a library district under this paragraph (7.7) shall be no more than 2% of the

amount produced by the assisted housing units and deposited into the Special Tax Allocation Fund.

A library district is not eligible for any payment under this paragraph (7.7) unless the library district has experienced an increase in the number of patrons from the municipality that created the tax-increment-financing district since the designation of the redevelopment project area.

Any library district seeking payment under this paragraph (7.7) shall, after July 1 and before September 30 of each year, provide the municipality with convincing evidence to support its claim for reimbursement before the municipality shall be required to approve or make the payment to the library district. If the library district fails to provide the information during this period in any year, it shall forfeit any claim to reimbursement for that year. Library districts may adopt a resolution waiving the right to all or a portion of the reimbursement otherwise required by this paragraph (7.7). By acceptance of such reimbursement, the library district shall forfeit any right to directly or indirectly set aside, modify, or contest in any manner whatsoever the establishment of the redevelopment project area or projects;

(8) Relocation costs to the extent that a municipality determines that relocation costs shall be paid or is required to make payment of relocation costs by federal or

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State law or in order to satisfy subparagraph (7) of subsection (n);

(9) Payment in lieu of taxes;

(10) Costs of job training, retraining, advanced vocational education or career education, including but not limited to courses in occupational, semi-technical or technical fields leading directly to employment, incurred by one or more taxing districts, provided that such costs (i) are related to the establishment and maintenance of additional job training, advanced vocational education or career education programs for persons employed or to be employed by employers located in a redevelopment project area; and (ii) when incurred by a taxing district or taxing districts other than the municipality, are set forth in a written agreement by or among the municipality the taxing district or taxing districts, which agreement describes the program to be undertaken, including but not limited to the number of employees to be trained, a description of the training and services to be provided, the number and type of positions available or to be available, itemized costs of the program and sources of funds to pay for the same, and the term of the agreement. Such costs include, specifically, the payment by community college districts of costs pursuant to Sections 3-37, 3-38, 3-40 and 3-40.1 of the Public Community College Act and by school districts of costs pursuant to Sections

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- (11) Interest cost incurred by a redeveloper related to the construction, renovation or rehabilitation of a redevelopment project provided that:
 - (A) such costs are to be paid directly from the special tax allocation fund established pursuant to this Act;
 - (B) such payments in any one year may not exceed 30% of the annual interest costs incurred by the redeveloper with regard to the redevelopment project during that year;
 - (C) if there are not sufficient funds available in the special tax allocation fund to make the payment pursuant to this paragraph (11) then the amounts so due shall accrue and be payable when sufficient funds are available in the special tax allocation fund;
 - (D) the total of such interest payments paid pursuant to this Act may not exceed 30% of the total (i) cost paid or incurred by the redeveloper for the redevelopment project plus (ii) redevelopment project costs excluding any property assembly costs and any relocation costs incurred by a municipality pursuant to this Act;
 - (E) the cost limits set forth in subparagraphs (B) and (D) of paragraph (11) shall be modified for the financing of rehabilitated or new housing units for

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low-income households and very low-income households, as defined in Section 3 of the Illinois Affordable Housing Act. The percentage of 75% shall be substituted for 30% in subparagraphs (B) and (D) of paragraph (11); and

(F) instead of the eligible costs provided by subparagraphs (B) and (D) of paragraph (11), as modified by this subparagraph, and notwithstanding any other provisions of this Act to the contrary, the municipality may pay from tax increment revenues up to 50% of the cost of construction of new housing units to occupied by low-income households and very be low-income households as defined in Section 3 of the Illinois Affordable Housing Act. The cost construction of those units may be derived from the proceeds of bonds issued by the municipality under this Act or other constitutional or statutory authority or from other sources of municipal revenue that may be reimbursed from tax increment revenues or the proceeds of bonds issued to finance the construction of that housing.

The eligible costs provided under this subparagraph (F) of paragraph (11) shall be an eligible cost for the construction, renovation, and rehabilitation of all low and very low-income housing units, as defined in Section 3 of the Illinois

Affordable Housing Act, within the redevelopment project area. If the low and very low-income units are part of a residential redevelopment project that units not affordable to low and verv only the low and very low-income units shall be eligible for benefits under this subparagraph (F) of paragraph (11). The standards for maintaining the occupancy by low-income households and very low-income households, as defined in Section 3 of the Illinois Affordable Housing Act, of those units constructed with eligible costs made available under the provisions of this subparagraph (F) of paragraph (11) shall be established by guidelines adopted by the municipality. The responsibility for annually documenting the initial occupancy of the units by low-income households and very low-income households, as defined in Section 3 of the Illinois Affordable Housing Act, shall be that of the then current owner of the property. For ownership units, the guidelines will provide, at a minimum, for a reasonable recapture of funds, or other appropriate preserve the original affordability of the ownership units. For rental units, the guidelines will provide, at a minimum, for the affordability of rent to low and very low-income households. As units become available, they shall be

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rented to income-eligible tenants. The municipality may modify these guidelines from time to time; the guidelines, however, shall be in effect for as long as tax increment revenue is being used to pay for costs associated with the units or for the retirement of bonds issued to finance the units or for the life of the redevelopment project area, whichever is later;

(11.5) If the redevelopment project area is located within a municipality with a population of more than 100,000, the cost of day care services for children of employees from low-income families working for businesses located within the redevelopment project area and all or a portion of the cost of operation of day care centers established by redevelopment project area businesses to serve employees from low-income families working in businesses located in the redevelopment project area. For the purposes of this paragraph, "low-income families" means families whose annual income does not exceed 80% of the municipal, county, or regional median income, adjusted for family size, as the annual income and municipal, county, or regional median income are determined from time to time by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

(12) Costs relating to the development of urban agricultural areas under Division 15.2 of the Illinois Municipal Code.

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1 (13) Funds transferred to community improvement land
2 banks under Section 5-35 of the Community Improvement Land

Bank Act.

Unless explicitly stated herein the cost of construction of new privately-owned buildings shall not be an eligible redevelopment project cost.

After November 1, 1999 (the effective date of Public Act 91-478), none of the redevelopment project costs enumerated in this subsection shall be eliqible redevelopment project costs if those costs would provide direct financial support to a retail entity initiating operations in the redevelopment project area while terminating operations at another Illinois location within 10 miles of the redevelopment project area but outside the boundaries of the redevelopment project area municipality. For purposes of this paragraph, termination means a closing of a retail operation that is directly related to the opening of the same operation or like retail entity owned or operated by more than 50% of the original ownership in a redevelopment project area, but it does not mean closing an operation for reasons beyond the control of the retail entity, as documented by the retail entity, subject to a reasonable finding by the municipality that the current location contained inadequate space, had become economically obsolete, or was no longer a viable location for the retailer or serviceman.

No cost shall be a redevelopment project cost in a

redevelopment project area if used to demolish, remove, or substantially modify a historic resource, after August 26, 2008 (the effective date of Public Act 95-934), unless no prudent and feasible alternative exists. "Historic resource" for the purpose of this paragraph means (i) a place or structure that is included or eligible for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places or (ii) a contributing structure in a district on the National Register of Historic Places. This paragraph does not apply to a place or structure for which demolition, removal, or modification is subject to review by the preservation agency of a Certified Local Government designated as such by the National Park Service of the United States Department of the Interior.

If a special service area has been established pursuant to the Special Service Area Tax Act or Special Service Area Tax Law, then any tax increment revenues derived from the tax imposed pursuant to the Special Service Area Tax Act or Special Service Area Tax Law may be used within the redevelopment project area for the purposes permitted by that Act or Law as well as the purposes permitted by this Act.

(q-1) For redevelopment project areas created pursuant to subsection (p-1), redevelopment project costs are limited to those costs in paragraph (q) that are related to the existing or proposed Regional Transportation Authority Suburban Transit Access Route (STAR Line) station.

(q-2) For a redevelopment project area located within a

- transit facility improvement area established pursuant to

 Section 11-74.4-3.3, redevelopment project costs means those

 costs described in subsection (q) that are related to the

 construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, remodeling, or

 repair of any existing or proposed transit facility.
 - (r) "State Sales Tax Boundary" means the redevelopment project area or the amended redevelopment project area boundaries which are determined pursuant to subsection (9) of Section 11-74.4-8a of this Act. The Department of Revenue shall certify pursuant to subsection (9) of Section 11-74.4-8a the appropriate boundaries eligible for the determination of State Sales Tax Increment.
 - (s) "State Sales Tax Increment" means an amount equal to the increase in the aggregate amount of taxes paid by retailers and servicemen, other than retailers and servicemen subject to the Public Utilities Act, on transactions at places of business located within a State Sales Tax Boundary pursuant to the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act, the Use Tax Act, the Service Use Tax Act, and the Service Occupation Tax Act, except such portion of such increase that is paid into the State and Local Sales Tax Reform Fund, the Local Government Distributive Fund, the Local Government Tax Fund and the County and Mass Transit District Fund, for as long as State participation exists, over and above the Initial Sales Tax Amounts, Adjusted Initial Sales Tax Amounts or the Revised Initial Sales Tax Amounts for such taxes as certified by the

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Department of Revenue and paid under those Acts by retailers and servicemen on transactions at places of business located within the State Sales Tax Boundary during the base year which shall be the calendar year immediately prior to the year in which the municipality adopted tax increment allocation financing, less 3.0% of such amounts generated under the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act, Use Tax Act and Service Use Tax Act and the Service Occupation Tax Act, which sum shall be appropriated to the Department of Revenue to cover its costs of administering and enforcing this Section. For purposes of computing the aggregate amount of such taxes for base years occurring prior to 1985, the Department of Revenue shall compute the Initial Sales Tax Amount for such taxes and deduct therefrom an amount equal to 4% of the aggregate amount of taxes per year for each year the base year is prior to 1985, but not to exceed a total deduction of 12%. The amount so determined shall be known as the "Adjusted Initial Sales Tax Amount". For purposes of determining the State Sales Tax Increment the Department of Revenue shall for each period subtract from the tax amounts received from retailers and servicemen on transactions located in the State Sales Tax Boundary, the certified Initial Sales Tax Amounts, Adjusted Initial Sales Tax Amounts or Revised Initial Sales Tax Amounts for the Retailers' Occupation Tax Act, the Use Tax Act, the Service Use Tax Act and the Service Occupation Tax Act. For the State Fiscal Year 1989 this calculation shall be made by

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utilizing the calendar year 1987 to determine the tax amounts 1 2 received. For the State Fiscal Year 1990, this calculation 3 shall be made by utilizing the period from January 1, 1988, until September 30, 1988, to determine the tax amounts 5 received from retailers and servicemen, which shall have deducted therefrom nine-twelfths of the certified Initial 6 Sales Tax Amounts, Adjusted Initial Sales Tax Amounts or the 7 8 Revised Initial Sales Tax Amounts as appropriate. For the 9 State Fiscal Year 1991, this calculation shall be made by utilizing the period from October 1, 1988, until June 30, 10 11 1989, to determine the tax amounts received from retailers and servicemen, which shall have deducted therefrom nine-twelfths 12 of the certified Initial State Sales Tax Amounts, Adjusted 13 Initial Sales Tax Amounts or the Revised Initial Sales Tax 14 15 appropriate. For every State Fiscal 16 thereafter, the applicable period shall be the 12 months 17 beginning July 1 and ending on June 30, to determine the tax amounts received which shall have deducted therefrom the 18 certified Initial Sales Tax Amounts, Adjusted Initial Sales 19 20 Tax Amounts or the Revised Initial Sales Tax Amounts. Municipalities intending to receive a distribution of State 21 22 Sales Tax Increment must report a list of retailers to the 23 Department of Revenue by October 31, 1988 and by July 31, of 24 each year thereafter.

(t) "Taxing districts" means counties, townships, cities and incorporated towns and villages, school, road, park,

- 1 sanitary, mosquito abatement, forest preserve, public health,
- 2 fire protection, river conservancy, tuberculosis sanitarium
- 3 and any other municipal corporations or districts with the
- 4 power to levy taxes.
- 5 (u) "Taxing districts' capital costs" means those costs of
- 6 taxing districts for capital improvements that are found by
- 7 the municipal corporate authorities to be necessary and
- 8 directly result from the redevelopment project.
- 9 (v) As used in subsection (a) of Section 11-74.4-3 of this 10 Act, "vacant land" means any parcel or combination of parcels 11 of real property without industrial, commercial, and 12 residential buildings which has not been used for commercial agricultural purposes within 5 years prior to the designation 13 of the redevelopment project area, unless the parcel is 14 15 included in an industrial park conservation area or the parcel 16 has been subdivided; provided that if the parcel was part of a 17 larger tract that has been divided into 3 or more smaller tracts that were accepted for recording during the period from 18 1950 to 1990, then the parcel shall be deemed to have been 19 20 subdivided, of and all proceedings and actions the municipality taken in that connection with respect to any 21 22 previously approved or designated redevelopment project area 23 or amended redevelopment project area are hereby validated and 24 hereby declared to be legally sufficient for all purposes of 25 this Act. For purposes of this Section and only for land

subject to the subdivision requirements of the Plat Act, land

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- is subdivided when the original plat of the proposed
 Redevelopment Project Area or relevant portion thereof has
 been properly certified, acknowledged, approved, and recorded
 or filed in accordance with the Plat Act and a preliminary
 plat, if any, for any subsequent phases of the proposed
 Redevelopment Project Area or relevant portion thereof has
 been properly approved and filed in accordance with the
 applicable ordinance of the municipality.
 - (w) "Annual Total Increment" means the sum of each municipality's annual Net Sales Tax Increment and each municipality's annual Net Utility Tax Increment. The ratio of the Annual Total Increment of each municipality to the Annual Total Increment for all municipalities, as most recently calculated by the Department, shall determine the proportional shares of the Illinois Tax Increment Fund to be distributed to each municipality.
 - (x) "LEED certified" means any certification level of construction elements by a qualified Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Accredited Professional as determined by the U.S. Green Building Council.
- 21 (y) "Green Globes certified" means any certification level 22 of construction elements by a qualified Green Globes 23 Professional as determined by the Green Building Initiative.
- 24 (Source: P.A. 99-792, eff. 8-12-16; 100-201, eff. 8-18-17;
- 25 100-465, eff. 8-31-17; 100-1133, eff. 1-1-19.)

- 1 Article 99. Effective Date.
- 2 Section 99-5. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
- 3 becoming law.

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