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AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 330

AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 330 by replacing everything after the enacting clause with the following:

"Section 5. The Illinois Housing Development Act is amended by adding Section 13.1 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 3805/13.1 new)

Sec. 13.1. Form for local agencies. The Authority shall develop a form and include it with the final financing agreement that summarizes the terms of the financing agreement, which should include the following: the length of the affordability period guaranteed under the financing agreement; a legal description; if then available, the address and property index numbers for all applicable property contemplated by the agreement; and any other information that may be relevant for a local county assessor's office and local county and municipal housing development authority to qualify

1 or evidence eligibility for an applicable reduction in the assessed value of an affordable rental housing. This form may 2 vary by county only if the Authority deems necessary. The 3 4 nonprofit corporation, housing corporation, limited-profit 5 entity, developer, or other entity receiving financing or other assistance under this Act shall file the form with the 6 local county assessor's office and, where applicable, the 7 local county and municipal housing authority for the county in 8 9 which the property is located. No fees shall be levied against 10 the nonprofit corporation, housing corporation, limited-profit 11 entity, developer, or other entity for filing the form with the county assessor's office of local housing authority. 12

- 13 Section 10. The Property Tax Code is amended by adding 14 Section 15-178 as follows:
- (35 ILCS 200/15-178 new) 15
- Sec. 15-178. Reduction in assessed value for affordable 16 17 rental housing construction or rehabilitation.
- 18 (a) The General Assembly finds that there is a shortage of high quality affordable rental homes for low-income and 19 20 very-low-income households throughout Illinois; that owners and developers of rental housing face significant challenges 21 22 building newly constructed apartments or undertaking 23 rehabilitation of existing properties that result in rents that are affordable for low-income and very-low-income 24

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households; and that it will help Cook County and other parts of Illinois address the extreme shortage of affordable rental housing by developing a Statewide policy to determine the assessed value for newly constructed and rehabilitated affordable rental housing that both encourages investment and incentivizes property owners to keep rents affordable.

(b) Any county with 3,000,000 or more inhabitants shall implement a special assessment program to reduce the assessed value of all eligible newly-constructed residential real property or qualifying rehabilitation to all eligible existing residential real property in accordance with subsection (c) for 10 taxable years after the newly constructed residential real property or improvements to existing residential real property are put in service. Any county with less than 3,000,000 inhabitants may decide not to implement this special assessment program upon passage of an ordinance by a majority vote of the county board. Subsequent to a vote to opt-out of this special assessment program, any county with less than 3,000,000 inhabitants may decide to implement this special assessment program upon passage of an ordinance by a majority vote of the county board. Property is eligible for the special assessment program if and only if all of the following factors have been met:

(1) the property consists of a newly-constructed multifamily building containing 7 or more rental dwelling units or an existing multifamily building that has

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L	undergone	qualifying	rehabilitation	resulting	in	7	or	more
2	rental dwe	elling units	5 <i>;</i>					

- (2) except as defined in subparagraphs (E), (F), and (G) of paragraph (6) of subsection (d) of this Section, prior to the newly-constructed residential real property or improvements to existing residential real property being put in service, the owner of the residential real property commits that, for a period of 10 years, at least 15% of the multifamily building's units will have rents as defined in this Section that are at or below maximum rents and are occupied by households with household incomes at or below maximum income limits; and
- (3) the property meets the application requirements defined in subsection (d).
- (c) The amount of the reduction shall be calculated as follows:
  - (1) if the owner of the residential real property commits for a period of at least 10 years that at least 15% but fewer than 35% of the multifamily building's units have rents at or below maximum rents and are occupied by households with household incomes at or below maximum income limits, the assessed value of the property used to calculate the tax bill shall be reduced by an amount equal to 25% of the assessed value of the property as initially determined by the assessor for the property in the current taxable year for the newly-constructed residential real

1	property or based on the improvements to an existing
2	residential real property; and
3	(2) if the owner of the residential real property
4	commits for a period of at least 10 years that at least 35%
5	of the multifamily building's units have rents at or below
6	maximum rents and are occupied by households with
7	household incomes at or below maximum income limits, the
8	assessed value of the property used to calculate the tax
9	bill shall be reduced by an amount equal to 35% of the
10	assessed value of the property as initially determined by
11	the assessor for the property in the current assessment
12	year for the newly constructed residential real property
13	or based on the improvements to an existing residential
14	real property.
15	(d) Application requirements.
16	(1) In order to receive the reduced valuation under
17	this Section, the owner must submit an application
18	containing the following information to the chief county
19	assessment officer for review in the form required by the
20	<pre>chief county assessment officer:</pre>
21	(A) the owner's name;
22	(B) the postal address and permanent index number
23	or numbers of the parcel or parcels for which the owner
24	is applying to receive reduced valuation under this
25	Section;

(C) a deed or other instrument conveying the

1	parcel or parcels to the current owner;
2	(D) written evidence that the new construction or
3	qualifying rehabilitation has been completed with
4	respect to the residential real property, including,
5	but not limited to, copies of building permits, a
6	notarized contractor's sworn affidavit, and
7	photographs of the interior and exterior of the
8	building after new construction or rehabilitation is
9	<pre>completed;</pre>
10	(E) written evidence that the residential real
11	property meets local building codes, or if there are
12	no local building codes, Housing Quality Standards, as
13	determined by the United States Department of Housing
14	and Urban Development;
15	(F) a list identifying the affordable units in
16	residential real property and a written statement that
17	the affordable units are comparable to the market rate
18	units in terms of unit type, number of bedrooms per
19	unit, quality of exterior appearance, energy
20	efficiency, and overall quality of construction;
21	(G) a written schedule certifying the rents in
22	each affordable unit and a written statement that
23	these rents do not exceed the maximum rents allowable
24	for the area in which the residential real property is
25	<pre>located;</pre>
26	(H) documentation from the administering agency

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verifying the owner's participation in a qualifying

2	income-based rental subsidy program as defined in
3	subsection (e) of this Section if units receiving
4	rental subsidies are to be counted among the
5	affordable units in order to meet the thresholds
6	defined in this Section;
7	(I) a written statement identifying the household
8	income for every household occupying an affordable
9	unit and certifying that the household income does not
10	exceed the maximum income limits allowable for the
11	area in which the residential real property is
12	<pre>located;</pre>
13	(J) a written statement that the owner has
14	verified and retained documentation of household
15	income for every household occupying an affordable
16	unit; and
17	(K) any additional information consistent with
18	this Section as reasonably required by the chies
19	county assessment officer, including, but not limited
20	to, any information necessary to ensure compliance
21	with applicable local ordinances and to ensure the
22	owner is complying with the provisions of this
23	Section.
24	(2) The application requirements contained in
25	subparagraphs (A), (B), (C), (F), (G), (H), (I), (J), and
26	(K) of paragraph (1) of this subsection (d) are continuing

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requirements for the duration of the reduction in assessed value and may be annually or periodically verified by the chief county assessment officer for the county in which the reduced valuation is being issued.

(3) In lieu of submitting an application containing the information prescribed in paragraph (1) of this subsection (d), the chief county assessment officer may allow for the submission of a substantially similar certification granted by the Illinois Housing Development Authority or a comparable local authority provided that the chief county assessment officer independently verifies the veracity of the certification with the Illinois Housing Development Authority or comparable local authority.

(4) The chief county assessment officer shall notify the owner as to whether or not the property meets the requirements of this Section. If the property does not meet the requirements of this Section, the chief county assessment officer shall provide written notice of any deficiencies to the owner, who shall then have 30 days from the date of notification to provide supplemental information showing compliance with this Section. If the owner does not exercise this right to cure the deficiency, or if the information submitted, in the sole judgment of the chief county assessment officer, is insufficient to meet the requirements of this Section, the chief county

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2	the reasons	s for den	ial.					

- (5) The chief county assessment officer may charge a reasonable application fee to offset the administrative expenses associated with the program.
- (6) The reduced valuation conferred by this Section is limited as follows:
  - (A) The owner is eligible to apply for the reduced valuation conferred by this Section beginning in the first assessment cycle after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly through December 31, 2031. If approved, the reduction will be effective for the current assessment year, which will be reflected in the tax bill issued in the following calendar year. Owners that are approved for the reduced valuation under this Section before December 31, 2031 shall, at minimum, be eliqible for annual renewal of the reduced valuation during an initial 10-year period if annual certification requirements are met for each of the 10 years, as described in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph (6) of this Section until December 31, 2041.
  - (B) Property receiving a reduction outlined in this Section shall continue to be eliqible for an initial period of up to 10 years if annual certification requirements are met for each of the 10

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years, but shall be extended for up to 2 additional 10-year periods with annual renewals if the owner continues to meet the requirements of this Section, including annual certifications, and excluding the requirements regarding new construction or qualifying rehabilitation defined in subparagraph (D) of paragraph (1) of this subsection.

(C) The annual certification materials in the year prior to final year of eligibility for the reduction in assessed value must include a dated copy of the written notice provided to tenants informing them of the date of the termination if the owner is not seeking a renewal.

(D) If the property is sold or transferred, the purchaser or transferee must comply with all requirements of this Section, excluding the requirements regarding new construction or qualifying rehabilitation defined in subparagraph (D) of paragraph (1) of this subsection, in order to continue receiving the reduction in assessed value. Purchasers and transferees who comply with all requirements of this Section excluding the requirements regarding new construction or qualifying rehabilitation defined in subparagraph (D) of paragraph (1) of this subsection are eligible to apply for renewal on the schedule set by the initial application.

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(E) The owner may apply for the reduced valuation
if the residential real property meets all
requirements of this Section and the newly-constructed
residential real property or improvements to existing
residential real property were put in service on or
after January 1, 2015. However, the initial 10-year
eligibility period shall be reduced by the number of
years between the placed in service date and the date
the owner first receives this reduced valuation.
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- (F) The owner may apply for the reduced valuation within 2 years after the newly-constructed residential real property or improvements to existing residential real property are put in service. However, the initial 10 year eligibility period shall be reduced for the number of years between the placed in service date and the date the owner first receives this reduced valuation.
- (G) Owners of a multifamily building receiving a reduced valuation through the Cook County Class 9 program during the year in which this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly takes effect shall be deemed automatically eligible for the reduced valuation defined in this Section in terms of meeting the criteria for new construction or substantial rehabilitation for a specific multifamily building regardless of when the newly-constructed residential

real property or improvements to existing residential
real property were put in service. If a Cook County
Class 9 owner had Class 9 status revoked on or after
January 1, 2017 but can provide documents sufficien
to prove that the revocation was in error or and
deficiencies leading to the revocation have been
cured, the chief county assessment officer may deen
the owner to be eligible. However, owners may no
receive the both the reduced valuation under this
Section and the reduced valuation under the Cool
County Class 9 program in any single assessment year
In addition, the number of years during which an owner
has participated in the Class 9 program shall coun
against the number of remaining years eligible for the
reduced valuation as defined in this Section.
(H) At the completion of the assessment reduction
period described in this Section, the entire parce
will be assessed as otherwise provided in State law.
(e) For the purposes of this Section,
"Affordable units" means units that have rents that do no
exceed the maximum rents as defined in this Section.
"Household income" includes the annual income for all the
people who occupy a housing unit that is anticipated to be
received from a source outside of the family during the

12-month period following admission or the annual

recertification, including related family members and all the

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unrelated people who share the housing unit. Household income includes the sum total of the following income sources: wages, salaries and tips before any payroll deductions; net business income; interest and dividends; payments in lieu of earnings, such as unemployment and disability compensation, worker's compensation and severance pay; Social Security income, including lump sum payments; payments from insurance policies, annuities, pensions, disability benefits and other types of periodic payments, alimony, child support, and other regular monetary contributions; and public assistance, except for assistance from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). "Household income" does not include: earnings of children under age 18; temporary income such as cash gifts; reimbursement for medical expenses; lump sums inheritance, insurance payments, settlements for personal or property losses; student financial assistance paid directly to the student or to an educational institution; foster child care payments; receipts from government-funded training programs; assistance from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). "Maximum income limits" means the maximum regular income limits for 60% of area median income for the geographic area in which the multifamily building is located for multifamily programs as determined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development and published annually by the Illinois Housing Development Authority.

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"Maximum rent" means the maximum regular rent for 60% of the area median income for the geographic area in which the multifamily building is located for multifamily programs as determined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development and published annually by the Illinois Housing Development Authority. To be eligible for the reduced valuation defined in this Section, maximum rents are to be consistent with the Illinois Housing Development Authority's rules; or if the owner is leasing an affordable unit to a household with an income at or below the maximum income limit who is participating in qualifying income-based rental subsidy program, "maximum rent" means the maximum rents allowable under the guidelines of the qualifying income-based rental subsidy program.

"Qualifying income-based rental subsidy program" means a Housing Choice Voucher issued by a housing authority under Section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937, a tenant voucher converted to a project-based voucher by a housing authority or any other program administered or funded by a housing authority, the Illinois Housing Development Authority, another State agency, a federal agency, or a unit of local government where participation is limited to households with incomes at or below the maximum income limits as defined in this Section and the tenants' portion of the rent payment is based on a percentage of their income or a flat amount that does not exceed the maximum rent as defined in this Section.

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"Qualifying rehabilitation" means, at a minimum, compliance with local building codes and the replacement or renovation of at least 2 primary building systems. Although the cost of each primary building system may vary, to be approved for the reduced valuation under paragraph (1) of subsection (c) of this Section, the combined expenditure for making the building compliant with local codes and replacing primary building systems must be at least \$8 per square foot for work completed between January 1 of the year in which this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly takes effect and December 31 of the year in which this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly takes effect and in subsequent years, \$8 adjusted by the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, as published annually by the U.S. Department of Labor. To be approved for the reduced valuation under paragraph (2) of subsection (c) of this Section, the combined expenditure for making the building compliant with local codes and replacing primary building systems must be at least \$12.50 per square foot for work completed between January 1 of the year in which this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly takes effect and December 31 of the year in which this amendatory Act of the 102nd General Assembly takes effect, and in subsequent years, \$12.50 adjusted by the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, as published annually by the U.S. Department of Labor. Primary building systems, together with their related rehabilitations, specifically approved for

1	this program are:
2	(1) Electrical. All electrical work must comply with
3	applicable codes; it may consist of a combination of any
4	of the following alternatives:
5	(A) installing individual equipment and appliance
6	branch circuits as required by code (the minimum being
7	a kitchen appliance branch circuit);
8	(B) installing a new emergency service, including
9	emergency lighting with all associated conduits and
10	wiring;
11	(C) rewiring all existing feeder conduits ("home
12	runs") from the main switchgear to apartment area
13	distribution panels;
14	(D) installing new in-wall conduits for
15	receptacles, switches, appliances, equipment, and
16	<pre>fixtures;</pre>
17	(E) replacing power wiring for receptacles,
18	switches, appliances, equipment, and fixtures;
19	(F) installing new light fixtures throughout the
20	building including closets and central areas;
21	(G) replacing, adding, or doing work as necessary
22	to bring all receptacles, switches, and other
23	electrical devices into code compliance;
24	(H) installing a new main service, including
25	conduit, cables into the building, and main disconnect
26	switch; and

1	(I) installing new distribution panels, including
2	all panel wiring, terminals, circuit breakers, and all
3	other panel devices.
4	(2) Heating. All heating work must comply with
5	applicable codes; it may consist of a combination of any
6	of the following alternatives:
7	(A) installing a new system to replace one of the
8	following heat distribution systems:
9	(i) piping and heat radiating units, including
10	new main line venting and radiator venting; or
11	(ii) duct work, diffusers, and cold air
12	returns; or
13	(iii) any other type of existing heat
14	distribution and radiation/diffusion components;
15	<u>or</u>
16	(B) installing a new system to replace one of the
17	following heat generating units:
18	(i) hot water/steam boiler;
19	(ii) gas furnace; or
20	(iii) any other type of existing heat
21	generating unit.
22	(3) Plumbing. All plumbing work must comply with
23	applicable codes. Replace all or a part of the in-wall
24	supply and waste plumbing; however, main supply risers,
25	waste stacks and vents, and code-conforming waste lines
26	need not be replaced.

1	(4) Roofing. All roofing work must comply with
2	applicable codes; it may consist of either of the
3	following alternatives, separately or in combination:
4	(A) replacing all rotted roof decks and
5	insulation; or
6	(B) replacing or repairing leaking roof membranes
7	(10% is the suggested minimum replacement of
8	membrane); restoration of the entire roof is an
9	acceptable substitute for membrane replacement.
10	(5) Exterior doors and windows. Replace the exterior
11	doors and windows. Renovation of ornate entry doors is an
12	acceptable substitute for replacement.
13	(6) Floors, walls, and ceilings. Finishes must be
14	replaced or covered over with new material. Acceptable
15	replacement or covering materials are as follows:
16	(A) floors must have new carpeting, vinyl tile,
17	ceramic, refurbished wood finish, or a similar
18	substitute;
19	(B) walls must have new drywall, including joint
20	taping and painting; or
21	(C) new ceilings must be either drywall, suspended
22	type, or a similar
23	(7) Exterior walls.
24	(A) replace loose or crumbling mortar and masonry
25	<pre>with new material;</pre>
26	(B) replace or paint wall siding and trim as

1	needed;
2	(C) bring porches and balconies to a sound
3	condition; or
4	(D) any combination of (A), (B), and (C).
5	(8) Elevators. Where applicable, at least 4 of the
6	following 7 alternatives must be accomplished:
7	(A) replace or rebuild the machine room controls
8	and refurbish the elevator machine (or equivalent
9	mechanisms in the case of hydraulic elevators);
10	(B) replace hoistway electro-mechanical items
11	including: ropes, switches, limits, buffers, levelers,
12	and deflector sheaves (or equivalent mechanisms in the
13	<pre>case of hydraulic elevators);</pre>
14	(C) replace hoistway wiring;
15	(D) replace door operators and linkage;
16	(E) replace door panels at each opening;
17	(F) replace hall stations, car stations, and
18	signal fixtures; or
19	(G) rebuild the car shell and refinish the
20	<pre>interior.</pre>
21	(9) Health and safety.
22	(A) install or replace fire suppression systems;
23	(B) install or replace security systems; or
24	(C) environmental remediation of lead-based paint,
25	asbestos, leaking underground storage tanks, or radon.
26	(10) Energy conservation improvements undertaken to

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2	roof or to reduce energy use for the property, including,
3	but not limited to, any of the following activities:
4	(A) installing or replacing reflective roof
5	<pre>coatings (flat roofs);</pre>
6	(B) installing or replacing R-49 roof insulation;
7	(C) installing or replacing R-19 perimeter wall
8	insulation;
9	(D) installing or replacing insulated entry doors;
10	(E) installing or replacing Low E, insulated
11	windows;
12	(F) installing or replacing WaterSense labeled
13	plumbing fixtures;
14	(G) installing or replacing 90% or better sealed
15	<pre>combustion heating systems;</pre>
16	(H) installing Energy Star hot water heaters;
17	(I) installing or replacing mechanical ventilation
18	to exterior for kitchens and baths;
19	(J) installing or replacing Energy Star
20	appliances;
21	(K) installing or replacing Energy Star certified
22	lighting in common areas; or
23	(L) installing or replacing grading and
24	landscaping to promote on-site water retention if the
25	retained water is used to replace water that is
26	provided from a municipal source.

(11) Accessibility improvements. All accessibility
improvements must comply with applicable codes. An owner
may make accessibility improvements to residential real
property to increase access for people with disabilities.
As used in this paragraph (11), "disability" has the
meaning given to that term in the Illinois Human Rights
Act. As used in this paragraph (11), "accessibility
improvements" means a home modification listed under the
Home Services Program administered by the Department of
Human Services (Part 686 of Title 89 of the Illinois
Administrative Code) including, but not limited to:
installation of ramps, grab bars, or wheelchair lifts;
widening doorways or hallways; re-configuring rooms and
closets; and any other changes to enhance the independence
of people with disabilities.

(12) Any applicant who has purchased the property in an arm's length transaction not more than 90 days before applying for this reduced valuation may use the cost of rehabilitation or repairs required by documented code violations, up to a maximum of \$2 per square foot, to meet the qualifying rehabilitation requirements.

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.".