



93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

315 ILCS 25/2

from Ch. 67 1/2, par. 91.9

Amends the Urban Community Conservation Act. Makes technical changes in a Section concerning legislative findings.

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1 AN ACT concerning urban problems.

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

4 Section 5. The Urban Community Conservation Act is amended
5 by changing Section 2 as follows:

6 (315 ILCS 25/2) (from Ch. 67 1/2, par. 91.9)

7 Sec. 2. Legislative finding and declaration.

8 It is hereby found and declared that there exist in many
9 urban communities within this State conservation areas, as
10 defined in this Act ~~herein~~; that these conservation areas are
11 rapidly deteriorating and declining in desirability as
12 residential communities and may soon become slum and blighted
13 areas if their decline is not checked; that the stable economic
14 and physical development of these areas is endangered by the
15 presence of blighting factors as manifested by progressive and
16 advanced deterioration of structures, by the over-use of
17 housing and other facilities, by a lack of physical maintenance
18 of existing structures, by obsolete and inadequate community
19 facilities and a lack of sound community planning; that as a
20 result and concomitant of the decline of conservation areas,
21 there is a growth of delinquency, crime, and of housing and
22 zoning law violations in such areas, together with an abnormal
23 exodus of families; that the decline of these areas threatens
24 to impair the tax base of such communities and produce the
25 conditions characteristic of slum and blighted areas which
26 threaten the health, safety, morals, and welfare of the public;
27 that in order to promote and protect the health, safety, morals
28 and welfare of the public it is necessary to provide for the
29 protection of such conservation areas and prevent their
30 deterioration into slum and blighted areas. The granting to the
31 municipalities of this State of the powers herein provided is
32 directed to that end, and the use of such rights and powers for

1 the prevention of slums is hereby declared to be a public use
2 essential to the public interest.

3 (Source: Laws 1953, p. 1240.)