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HOUSE BILL NO. 2155

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To repeal section 67.1461, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to community improvement districts.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

- Section A. Section 67.1461, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 67.1461, to read as follows:
- 67.1461. 1. Each district shall have all the powers, except to the extent any such power
- 2 has been limited by the petition approved by the governing body of the municipality to establish
- 3 the district, necessary to carry out and effectuate the purposes and provisions of sections 67.1401
- 4 to 67.1571 including, but not limited to, the following:
- 5 (1) To adopt, amend, and repeal bylaws, not inconsistent with sections 67.1401 to 67.1571, necessary or convenient to carry out the provisions of sections 67.1401 to 67.1571;
- 7 (2) To sue and be sued;
- 8 (3) To make and enter into contracts and other instruments, with public and private 9 entities, necessary or convenient to exercise its powers and carry out its duties pursuant to sections 67.1401 to 67.1571;
- 11 (4) To accept grants, guarantees and donations of property, labor, services, or other 12 things of value from any public or private source;
- 13 (5) To employ or contract for such managerial, engineering, legal, technical, clerical, accounting, or other assistance as it deems advisable;
- 15 (6) To acquire by purchase, lease, gift, grant, bequest, devise, or otherwise, any real 16 property within its boundaries, personal property, or any interest in such property;

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

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17 (7) To sell, lease, exchange, transfer, assign, mortgage, pledge, hypothecate, or otherwise 18 encumber or dispose of any real or personal property or any interest in such property;

- (8) To levy and collect special assessments and taxes as provided in sections 67.1401 to 67.1571. However, no such assessments or taxes shall be levied on any property exempt from taxation pursuant to subdivision (5) of section 137.100, RSMo. Those exempt pursuant to subdivision (5) of section 137.100, RSMo, may voluntarily participate in the provisions of sections 67.1401 to 67.1571;
- (9) If the district is a political subdivision, to levy real property taxes and business license taxes in the county seat of a county of the first classification containing a population of at least two hundred thousand, as provided in sections 67.1401 to 67.1571. However, no such assessments or taxes shall be levied on any property exempt from taxation pursuant to subdivisions (2) and (5) of section 137.100, RSMo. Those exempt pursuant to subdivisions (2) and (5) of section 137.100, RSMo, may voluntarily participate in the provisions of sections 67.1401 to 67.1571;
- 31 (10) If the district is a political subdivision, to levy sales taxes pursuant to sections 32 67.1401 to 67.1571;
- 33 (11) To fix, charge, and collect fees, rents, and other charges for use of any of the following:
 - (a) The district's real property, except for public rights-of-way for utilities;
 - (b) The district's personal property, except in a city not within a county; or
- 37 (c) Any of the district's interests in such real or personal property, except for public rights-of-way for utilities;
 - (12) To borrow money from any public or private source and issue obligations and provide security for the repayment of the same as provided in sections 67.1401 to 67.1571;
 - (13) To loan money as provided in sections 67.1401 to 67.1571;
 - (14) To make expenditures, create reserve funds, and use its revenues as necessary to carry out its powers or duties and the provisions and purposes of sections 67.1401 to 67.1571;
 - (15) To enter into one or more agreements with the municipality for the purpose of abating any public nuisance within the boundaries of the district including, but not limited to, the stabilization, repair or maintenance or demolition and removal of buildings or structures, provided that the municipality has declared the existence of a public nuisance;
 - (16) Within its boundaries, to provide assistance to or to construct, reconstruct, install, repair, maintain, and equip any of the following public improvements:
 - (a) Pedestrian or shopping malls and plazas;
- 51 (b) Parks, lawns, trees, and any other landscape;
- 52 (c) Convention centers, arenas, aquariums, aviaries, and meeting facilities;

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53 (d) Sidewalks, streets, alleys, bridges, ramps, tunnels, overpasses and underpasses, traffic 54 signs and signals, utilities, drainage, water, storm and sewer systems, and other site 55 improvements;

- (e) Parking lots, garages, or other facilities;
- (f) Lakes, dams, and waterways;

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- 58 (g) Streetscape, lighting, benches or other seating furniture, trash receptacles, marquees, awnings, canopies, walls, and barriers;
- 60 (h) Telephone and information booths, bus stop and other shelters, rest rooms, and 61 kiosks;
 - (i) Paintings, murals, display cases, sculptures, and fountains;
 - (j) Music, news, and child-care facilities; [and]
 - (k) Any property, device, structure, or equipment necessary for the acquisition, installation, equipping, and improvement of any real or personal property used for the purpose of creating a solar photovoltaic project or a solar thermal energy project, whether such real or personal property is publicly or privately owned; and
 - (I) Any other useful, necessary, or desired improvement;
 - (17) To dedicate to the municipality, with the municipality's consent, streets, sidewalks, parks, and other real property and improvements located within its boundaries for public use;
 - (18) Within its boundaries and with the municipality's consent, to prohibit or restrict vehicular and pedestrian traffic and vendors on streets, alleys, malls, bridges, ramps, sidewalks, and tunnels and to provide the means for access by emergency vehicles to or in such areas;
 - (19) Within its boundaries, to operate or to contract for the provision of music, news, child-care, or parking facilities, and buses, minibuses, or other modes of transportation;
 - (20) Within its boundaries, to lease space for sidewalk café tables and chairs;
 - (21) Within its boundaries, to provide or contract for the provision of security personnel, equipment, or facilities for the protection of property and persons;
 - (22) Within its boundaries, to provide or contract for cleaning, maintenance, and other services to public and private property, including, but not limited to, real or personal property installed as part of a special energy improvement project;
 - (23) To produce and promote any tourism, recreational or cultural activity or special event in the district by, but not limited to, advertising, decoration of any public place in the district, promotion of such activity and special events, and furnishing music in any public place;
- 85 (24) To support business activity and economic development in the district including, 86 but not limited to, the promotion of business activity, development and retention, and the 87 recruitment of developers and businesses;

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88 (25) To provide or support training programs for employees of businesses within the 89 district;

- (26) To provide refuse collection and disposal services within the district;
- (27) To contract for or conduct economic, planning, marketing or other studies;
- 92 (28) To repair, restore, or maintain any abandoned cemetery on public or private land 93 within the district; and
 - (29) To carry out any other powers set forth in sections 67.1401 to 67.1571.
 - 2. Each district which is located in a blighted area or which includes a blighted area shall have the following additional powers:
 - (1) Within its blighted area, to contract with any private property owner to demolish and remove, renovate, reconstruct, or rehabilitate any building or structure owned by such private property owner; and
 - (2) To expend its revenues or loan its revenues pursuant to a contract entered into pursuant to this subsection, provided that the governing body of the municipality has determined that the action to be taken pursuant to such contract is reasonably anticipated to remediate the blighting conditions and will serve a public purpose.
 - 3. Each district shall annually reimburse the municipality for the reasonable and actual expenses incurred by the municipality to establish such district and review annual budgets and reports of such district required to be submitted to the municipality; provided that, such annual reimbursement shall not exceed one and one-half percent of the revenues collected by the district in such year.
 - 4. Nothing in sections 67.1401 to 67.1571 shall be construed to delegate to any district any sovereign right of municipalities to promote order, safety, health, morals, and general welfare of the public, except those such police powers, if any, expressly delegated pursuant to sections 67.1401 to 67.1571.
 - 5. The governing body of the municipality establishing the district shall not decrease the level of publicly funded services in the district existing prior to the creation of the district or transfer the financial burden of providing the services to the district unless the services at the same time are decreased throughout the municipality, nor shall the governing body discriminate in the provision of the publicly funded services between areas included in such district and areas not so included.

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