

House _____ Amendment NO. _____

Offered By _____

1 AMEND House Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 655, Page 2, Section 67.405, Line 43, by
2 inserting immediately after said line the following:

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4 "67.451. 1. Any city in which voters have approved fees to recover costs associated with
5 enforcement of municipal housing, property maintenance, or nuisance ordinances may issue a special
6 tax bill against the property where such ordinance violations existed. The officer in charge of
7 finance shall cause the amount of unrecovered costs to be included in a special tax bill or added to
8 the annual real estate tax bill for the property at the collecting official's option, and the costs shall be
9 collected by the city collector or other official collecting taxes in the same manner and procedure for
10 collecting real estate taxes. If the cost is not paid, the tax bill shall be considered delinquent, and the
11 collection of the delinquent bill shall be governed by laws governing delinquent and back taxes. The
12 tax bill shall be deemed a personal debt against the owner from the date of issuance, and shall also be
13 a lien on the property until paid. Notwithstanding any provision of the city's charter to the contrary,
14 the city may provide, by ordinance, that the city may discharge the special tax bill upon a
15 determination by the city that a public benefit will be gained by such discharge, and such discharge
16 shall include any costs of tax collection, accrued interest, or attorney fees related to the special tax
17 bill.

18 2. Any city not within a county in which voters have approved fees to recover costs
19 associated with enforcement of municipal housing, property maintenance, or nuisance ordinances
20 may issue a special tax bill against the property where such ordinance violations existed.
21 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 479.011, the officer in charge of finance shall cause the
22 amount of unrecovered costs or fines delinquent for more than a year to be included in a special tax
23 bill or added to the annual real estate tax bill for the property at the collecting official's option, and
24 the costs shall be collected by the city collector or other official collecting taxes in the same manner
25 and procedure for collecting real estate taxes. If the cost is not paid, the tax bill shall be considered
26 delinquent, and the collection of the delinquent bill shall be governed by laws governing delinquent
27 and back taxes. The tax bill shall be deemed a personal debt against the owner from the date of
28 issuance, and shall also be a lien on the property until paid. Notwithstanding any provision of the
29 city's charter to the contrary, the city may provide, by ordinance, that the city may discharge the
30 special tax bill upon a determination by the city that a public benefit will be gained by such
31 discharge, and such discharge shall include any costs of tax collection, accrued interest, or attorney
32 fees related to the special tax bill."; and

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34 Further amend said bill by amending the title, enacting clause, and intersectional references
35 accordingly.

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