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HOUSE BILL NO. 1056

101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE HARDWICK.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To repeal section 447.620, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to property rehabilitation.

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

Section A. Section 447.620, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 447.620, to read as follows:

447.620. As used in sections 447.620 to 447.640, the following terms mean:

(1) "Housing code", a local building, fire, health, property maintenance, nuisance, or other ordinance which contains standards regulating the condition or maintenance of residential buildings;

(2) "Last known address", the address where the property is located or the address as listed in the property tax records;

(3) "Municipality", any incorporated city, town, or village;

(4) "Nuisance", any property which because of its physical condition or use is a public nuisance or any property which constitutes a blight on the surrounding area or any property which is in violation of the applicable housing code such that it constitutes a substantial threat to the life, health, or safety of the public. For purposes of sections 447.620 to 447.640, any declaration of a public nuisance by a municipality pursuant to an ordinance adopted pursuant to sections 67.400 to 67.450 shall constitute prima facie evidence that the property is a nuisance;

(5) "Organization", any Missouri not-for-profit organization validly organized pursuant to **Missouri law or any veteran-owned business**, ~~[and]~~ whose purpose includes the provision or enhancement of housing opportunities in its community and which has been incorporated for at least six months;

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.

18 (6) "Parties in interest", any owner or owners of record, occupant, lessee, mortgagee,
19 trustee, personal representative, agent, or other party having an interest in the property as shown
20 by the land records of the recorder of deeds of the county wherein the property is located[, ~~except~~
21 ~~in any municipality contained wholly or partially within a county with a charter form of~~
22 ~~government and with more than six hundred thousand but less than seven hundred thousand~~
23 ~~inhabitants, "parties in interest" shall mean owners, lessees, mortgagees, or lienholders whose~~
24 ~~interest has been recorded or filed in the public records];~~

25 (7) "Rehabilitation", the process of improving the property, including, but not limited
26 to, bringing the property into compliance with the applicable housing code;

27 **(8) "Veteran-owned business", any business validly organized pursuant to Missouri**
28 **law and owned by a person who is an honorably discharged veteran of the United States**
29 **Armed Forces and Missouri resident.**

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