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SENATE BILL NO. 782

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR ROBERTS.

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AN ACT

To repeal sections 67.1401 and 67.1461, RSMo, and section 67.1421 as enacted by house bill no. 1606, one hundred first general assembly, second regular session, and section 67.1421 as enacted by senate bills nos. 153 & 97, one hundred first general assembly, first regular session, and to enact in lieu thereof four new sections relating to community improvement districts.

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

Section A. Sections 67.1401 and 67.1461, RSMo, and section

- 2 67.1421 as enacted by house bill no. 1606, one hundred first
- 3 general assembly, second regular session, and section 67.1421
- 4 as enacted by senate bills nos. 153 & 97, one hundred first
- 5 general assembly, first regular session, are repealed and four
- 6 new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections
- 7 67.1401, 67.1421, 67.1461, and 67.1535, to read as follows:
 - 67.1401. 1. Sections 67.1401 to 67.1571 shall be
- 2 known and may be cited as the "Community Improvement
- 3 District Act".
- 4 2. For the purposes of sections 67.1401 to 67.1571,
- 5 the following words and terms mean:
- 6 (1) "Approval" or "approve", for purposes of elections
- 7 pursuant to sections 67.1401 to 67.1571, a simple majority
- 8 of those qualified voters voting in the election;
- 9 (2) "Assessed value", the assessed value of real
- 10 property as reflected on the tax records of the county clerk
- 11 of the county in which the property is located, or the

EXPLANATION-Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

12 collector of revenue if the property is located in a city not within a county, as of the last completed assessment; 13 14 "Blighted area", the same meaning as defined pursuant to section 99.805; 15 "Board", if the district is a political 16 (4)subdivision, the board of directors of the district, or if 17 the district is a not-for-profit corporation, the board of 18 directors of such corporation; 19 20 "Director of revenue", the director of the 21 department of revenue of the state of Missouri; "District", a community improvement district, 22 established pursuant to sections 67.1401 to 67.1571; 23 "Election authority", the election authority 24 (7) having jurisdiction over the area in which the boundaries of 25 the district are located pursuant to chapter 115; 26 27 (8) "Entertainment district", an area located in any 28 city not within a county, within the area locally known as the city's downtown or central business district, which 29 contains a minimum of one hundred acres and a combination of 30 entertainment venues, including, but not limited to, arenas, 31 32 amusement centers, auditoriums, athletic facilities, bars, 33 hotels, concert halls, convention facilities, music venues, 34 nightclubs, restaurants, and other entertainment facilities; 35 (9) "Municipal clerk", the clerk of the municipality; [(9)] (10) "Municipality", any city, village, 36 37 incorporated town, or county of this state, or in any unincorporated area that is located in any county with a 38 charter form of government and with more than one million 39 40 inhabitants; [(10)] (11) "Obligations", bonds, loans, debentures, 41

notes, special certificates, or other evidences of
indebtedness issued by a district to carry out any of its

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powers, duties or purposes or to refund outstanding 44 obligations; 45 [(11)] (12) "Owner", for real property, the individual 46 or individuals or entity or entities who own a fee interest 47 in real property that is located within the district or 48 49 their legally authorized representative; for business organizations and other entities, the owner shall be deemed 50 51 to be the individual which is legally authorized to represent the entity in regard to the district; 52 [(12)] (13) "Per capita", one head count applied to 53 each individual, entity or group of individuals or entities 54 having fee ownership of real property within the district 55 whether such individual, entity or group owns one or more 56 parcels of real property in the district as joint tenants, 57 tenants in common, tenants by the entirety, tenants in 58 59 partnership, except that with respect to a condominium 60 created under sections 448.1-101 to 448.4-120, "per capita" means one head count applied to the applicable unit owners' 61 association and not to each unit owner; 62 [(13)] (14) "Petition", a petition to establish a 63 district as it may be amended in accordance with the 64 requirements of section 67.1421; 65 66 [(14)] (15) "Qualified voters", 67 (a) For purposes of elections for approval of real 68 property taxes: 69 Registered voters; or b. If no registered voters reside in the district, the 70 owners of one or more parcels of real property which is to 71 be subject to such real property taxes and is located within 72 73 the district per the tax records for real property of the

county clerk, or the collector of revenue if the district is

75 located in a city not within a county, as of the thirtieth 76 day prior to the date of the applicable election;

- 77 (b) For purposes of elections for approval of business 78 license taxes or sales taxes:
- 79 a. Registered voters; or

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- b. If no registered voters reside in the district, the owners of one or more parcels of real property located within the district per the tax records for real property of the county clerk as of the thirtieth day before the date of the applicable election; and
- For purposes of the election of directors of the 85 board, registered voters and owners of real property which 86 87 is not exempt from assessment or levy of taxes by the district and which is located within the district per the 88 tax records for real property of the county clerk, or the 89 collector of revenue if the district is located in a city 90 not within a county, of the thirtieth day prior to the date 91 of the applicable election; and 92
 - [(15)] (16) "Registered voters", persons who reside within the district and who are qualified and registered to vote pursuant to chapter 115, pursuant to the records of the election authority as of the thirtieth day prior to the date of the applicable election.
 - [67.1421. 1. Upon receipt of a proper petition filed with its municipal clerk, the governing body of the municipality in which the proposed district is located shall hold a public hearing in accordance with section 67.1431 and may adopt an ordinance to establish the proposed district.
 - 2. A petition is proper if, based on the tax records of the county clerk, or the collector of revenue if the district is located in a city not within a county, as of the time of

filing the petition with the municipal clerk, it meets the following requirements:

- (1) It has been signed by property owners collectively owning more than fifty percent by assessed value of the real property within the boundaries of the proposed district;
- (2) It has been signed by more than fifty percent per capita of all owners of real property within the boundaries of the proposed district; and
 - (3) It contains the following information:
- (a) The legal description of the proposed district, including a map illustrating the district boundaries;
 - (b) The name of the proposed district;
- (c) A notice that the signatures of the signers may not be withdrawn later than seven days after the petition is filed with the municipal clerk;
- (d) A five-year plan stating a description of the purposes of the proposed district, the services it will provide, each improvement it will make from the list of allowable improvements under section 67.1461, an estimate of the costs of these services and improvements to be incurred, the anticipated sources of funds to pay the costs, and the anticipated term of the sources of funds to pay the costs;
- (e) A statement as to whether the district will be a political subdivision or a not-for-profit corporation and if it is to be a not-for-profit corporation, the name of the not-for-profit corporation;
- (f) If the district is to be a political subdivision, a statement as to whether the district will be governed by a board elected by the district or whether the board will be appointed by the municipality, and, if the board is to be elected by the district, the names and terms of the initial board may be stated;
- (g) If the district is to be a political subdivision, the number of directors to serve on the board;

55 The total assessed value of all real property within the proposed district; 56 (i) A statement as to whether the 57 petitioners are seeking a determination that the 58 proposed district, or any legally described 59 portion thereof, is a blighted area; 60 The proposed length of time for the 61 existence of the district, which in the case of 62 districts established after August 28, 2021, 63 shall not exceed twenty-seven years from the 64 adoption of the ordinance establishing the 65 district unless the municipality extends the 66 length of time under section 67.1481; 67 68 The maximum rates of real property 69 taxes, and, business license taxes in the county 70 seat of a county of the first classification without a charter form of government containing 71 72 a population of at least two hundred thousand, that may be submitted to the qualified voters 73 74 for approval; 75 (1)The maximum rates of special assessments and respective methods of assessment 76 that may be proposed by petition; 77 78 (m) The limitations, if any, on the borrowing capacity of the district; 79 The limitations, if any, on the 80 81 revenue generation of the district; Other limitations, if any, on the 82 83 powers of the district; (p) A request that the district be 84 85 established; and (q) Any other items the petitioners deem 86 87 appropriate; The signature block for each real 88 property owner signing the petition shall be in 89 substantially the following form and contain the 90 following information: 91 92 Name of owner: 93 Owner's telephone number and mailing 94 95 If signer is different from owner: 96 Name of signer:

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99 100	Signer's telephone number and mailing address:
101 102	If the owner is an individual, state if owner is single or married:
103 104	If owner is not an individual, state what type of entity:
105 106 107	Map and parcel number and assessed value of each tract of real property within the
108 109 110 111 112	proposed district owned: By executing this petition, the undersigned represents and warrants that he or she is authorized to execute this petition on behalf of the property owner named immediately above
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115 116	Signature of Date person
117 118	signing for owner
119	STATE OF MISSOURI)
120) ss.
121	COUNTY OF)
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126 127	<pre>instrument. WITNESS my hand and official seal this</pre>
128 129	(year).
130	Notary Public
131	My Commission Expires:; and
132	(5) Alternatively, the governing body of
133	any home rule city with more than four hundred
134	thousand inhabitants and located in more than
135	one county may file a petition to initiate the
136	process to establish a district in the portion
137	of the city located in any county of the first

classification with more than two hundred thousand but fewer than two hundred sixty thousand inhabitants containing the information required in subdivision (3) of this subsection; provided that the only funding methods for the services and improvements will be a real property tax.

- 3. Upon receipt of a petition the municipal clerk shall, within a reasonable time not to exceed ninety days after receipt of the petition, review and determine whether the petition substantially complies with the requirements of subsection 2 of this section. In the event the municipal clerk receives a petition which does not meet the requirements of subsection 2 of this section, the municipal clerk shall, within a reasonable time, return the petition to the submitting party by hand delivery, first class mail, postage prepaid or other efficient means of return and shall specify which requirements have not been met.
- 4. After the close of the public hearing required pursuant to subsection 1 of this section, the governing body of the municipality may adopt an ordinance approving the petition and establishing a district as set forth in the petition and may determine, if requested in the petition, whether the district, or any legally described portion thereof, constitutes a blighted area. If the petition was filed by the governing body of a municipality pursuant to subdivision (5) of subsection 2 of this section, after the close of the public hearing required pursuant to subsection 1 of this section, the petition may be approved by the governing body and an election shall be called pursuant to section 67.1422.
- 5. Amendments to a petition may be made which do not change the proposed boundaries of the proposed district if an amended petition meeting the requirements of subsection 2 of this section is filed with the municipal clerk at the following times and the following requirements have been met:

(1) At any time prior to the close of the public hearing required pursuant to subsection 1 of this section; provided that, notice of the contents of the amended petition is given at the public hearing;

- At any time after the public hearing (2) and prior to the adoption of an ordinance establishing the proposed district; provided that, notice of the amendments to the petition is given by publishing the notice in a newspaper of general circulation within the municipality and by sending the notice via registered certified United States mail with a return receipt attached to the address of record of each owner of record of real property within the boundaries of the proposed district per the tax records of the county clerk, or the collector of revenue if the district is located in a city not within a county. Such notice shall be published and mailed not less than ten days prior to the adoption of the ordinance establishing the district. Such notice shall also be sent to the Missouri department of revenue, which shall publish such notice on its website;
- ordinance establishing the district a public hearing on the amended petition is held and notice of the public hearing is given in the manner provided in section 67.1431 and the governing body of the municipality in which the district is located adopts an ordinance approving the amended petition after the public hearing is held.
- 6. Upon the creation of a district, the municipal clerk shall report in writing the creation of such district to the Missouri department of economic development and the state auditor.
- 7. (1) The governing body of the municipality or county establishing a district or the governing body of such district shall, as soon as is practicable, submit the following information to the state auditor and the department of revenue:

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226 A description of the boundaries of 227 such district as well as the rate of property 228 tax or sales tax levied in such district; Any amendments made to the boundaries 229 230 of a district or the tax rates levied in such 231 district; and The date on which the district is to 232 (C) 233 expire unless sooner terminated. The governing body of a community 234 (2) improvement district established on or after 235 236 August 28, 2022, shall not order any assessment 237 to be made on any real property located within a 238 district and shall not levy any property or 239 sales tax until the information required by 240 paragraph (a) of subdivision (1) of this subsection has been submitted.] 241

- 67.1421. 1. Upon receipt of a proper petition filed with its municipal clerk, the governing body of the municipality in which the proposed district is located shall hold a public hearing in accordance with section 67.1431 and may adopt an ordinance to establish the proposed district.
- 2. A petition is proper if, based on the tax records of the county clerk, or the collector of revenue if the district is located in a city not within a county, as of the time of filing the petition with the municipal clerk, it meets the following requirements:
 - (1) It has been signed by property owners collectively owning more than fifty percent by assessed value of the real property within the boundaries of the proposed district;
- 14 (2) It has been signed by more than fifty percent per 15 capita of all owners of real property within the boundaries 16 of the proposed district; and
 - (3) It contains the following information:
- (a) The legal description of the proposed district,including a map illustrating the district boundaries;
 - (b) The name of the proposed district;

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(c) A notice that the signatures of the signers may not be withdrawn later than seven days after the petition is filed with the municipal clerk;

- (d) A five-year plan stating a description of the purposes of the proposed district, the services it will provide, each improvement it will make from the list of allowable improvements under section 67.1461, an estimate of the costs of these services and improvements to be incurred, the anticipated sources of funds to pay the costs, and the anticipated term of the sources of funds to pay the costs;
- (e) A statement as to whether the district will be a political subdivision or a not-for-profit corporation and if it is to be a not-for-profit corporation, the name of the not-for-profit corporation;
- 35 (f) If the district is to be a political subdivision, 36 a statement as to whether the district will be governed by a 37 board elected by the district or whether the board will be 38 appointed by the municipality, and, if the board is to be 39 elected by the district, the names and terms of the initial 40 board may be stated;
- 41 (g) If the district is to be a political subdivision, 42 the number of directors to serve on the board;
- 43 (h) The total assessed value of all real property 44 within the proposed district;
- 45 (i) A statement as to whether the petitioners are 46 seeking a determination that the proposed district, or any 47 legally described portion thereof, is a blighted area;
- (j) The proposed length of time for the existence of the district, which in the case of districts established after August 28, 2021, shall not exceed twenty-seven years from the adoption of the ordinance establishing the district

52 unless the municipality extends the length of time under section 67.1481; 53 54 (k) The maximum rates of real property taxes, and, business license taxes in the county seat of a county of the 55 first classification without a charter form of government 56 containing a population of at least two hundred thousand, 57 that may be submitted to the qualified voters for approval; 58 59 The maximum rates of special assessments and respective methods of assessment that may be proposed by 60 61 petition; The limitations, if any, on the borrowing capacity 62 of the district; 63 The limitations, if any, on the revenue generation 64 of the district; 65 (o) Other limitations, if any, on the powers of the 66 district; 67 (p) A request that the district be established; and 68 69 Any other items the petitioners deem appropriate; (a) The signature block for each real property owner 70 (4)signing the petition shall be in substantially the following 71 form and contain the following information: 72 Name of owner: 73 74 Owner's telephone number and mailing address: 75 If signer is different from owner: 76 Name of signer: 77 78 State basis of legal authority to sign: 79 Signer's telephone number and mailing address: 80 If the owner is an individual, state if owner is 81

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85 86 87	Map and parcel number and assessed value of each tract of real property within the proposed district owned:	
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94 95	Signature of Date person	
96 97	signing for owner	
98	STATE OF MISSOURI)	
99) ss.	
100	COUNTY OF)	
101 102 103	Before me personally appeared, to me personally known to be the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument.	
104 105	WITNESS my hand and official seal this day of (month), (year).	
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108	Notary Public	
109	My Commission Expires:; [and]	
110	(5) Alternatively, the governing body of any home rule	
111	city with more than four hundred thousand inhabitants and	
112	located in more than one county may file a petition to	
113	initiate the process to establish a district in the portion	
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than two hundred sixty thousand inhabitants containing the information required in subdivision (3) of this subsection; provided that the only funding methods for the services and improvements will be a real property tax; and

- (6) Notwithstanding any provision of this section to the contrary, if the district is to be an entertainment district, the provisions of subdivision (2) of subsection 2 of this section shall not apply.
- 124 3. Upon receipt of a petition the municipal clerk 125 shall, within a reasonable time not to exceed ninety days after receipt of the petition, review and determine whether 126 the petition substantially complies with the requirements of 127 subsection 2 of this section. In the event the municipal 128 129 clerk receives a petition which does not meet the 130 requirements of subsection 2 of this section, the municipal 131 clerk shall, within a reasonable time, return the petition 132 to the submitting party by hand delivery, first class mail, postage prepaid or other efficient means of return and shall 133 specify which requirements have not been met. 134
- After the close of the public hearing required 135 pursuant to subsection 1 of this section, the governing body 136 of the municipality may adopt an ordinance approving the 137 petition and establishing a district as set forth in the 138 139 petition and may determine, if requested in the petition, whether the district, or any legally described portion 140 141 thereof, constitutes a blighted area. If the petition was filed by the governing body of a municipality pursuant to 142 subdivision (5) of subsection 2 of this section, after the 143 close of the public hearing required pursuant to subsection 144 145 1 of this section, the petition may be approved by the governing body and an election shall be called pursuant to 146 section 67.1422. 147

5. Amendments to a petition may be made which do not change the proposed boundaries of the proposed district if an amended petition meeting the requirements of subsection 2 of this section is filed with the municipal clerk at the following times and the following requirements have been met:

- (1) At any time prior to the close of the public hearing required pursuant to subsection 1 of this section; provided that, notice of the contents of the amended petition is given at the public hearing;
- the adoption of an ordinance establishing the proposed district; provided that, notice of the amendments to the petition is given by publishing the notice in a newspaper of general circulation within the municipality and by sending the notice via registered certified United States mail with a return receipt attached to the address of record of each owner of record of real property within the boundaries of the proposed district per the tax records of the county clerk, or the collector of revenue if the district is located in a city not within a county. Such notice shall be published and mailed not less than ten days prior to the adoption of the ordinance establishing the district;
- (3) At any time after the adoption of any ordinance establishing the district a public hearing on the amended petition is held and notice of the public hearing is given in the manner provided in section 67.1431 and the governing body of the municipality in which the district is located adopts an ordinance approving the amended petition after the public hearing is held.
- 177 6. Upon the creation of a district, the municipal clerk shall report in writing the creation of such district

179 to the Missouri department of economic development and the 180 state auditor.

- 67.1461. 1. Each district shall have all the powers,
 - 2 except to the extent any such power has been limited by the
 - 3 petition approved by the governing body of the municipality
 - 4 to establish the district, necessary to carry out and
 - 5 effectuate the purposes and provisions of sections 67.1401
 - 6 to 67.1571 including, but not limited to, the following:
 - 7 (1) To adopt, amend, and repeal bylaws, not
 - 8 inconsistent with sections 67.1401 to 67.1571, necessary or
 - 9 convenient to carry out the provisions of sections 67.1401
- 10 to 67.1571;
- 11 (2) To sue and be sued;
- 12 (3) To make and enter into contracts and other
- instruments, with public and private entities, necessary or
- 14 convenient to exercise its powers and carry out its duties
- 15 pursuant to sections 67.1401 to 67.1571;
- 16 (4) To accept grants, guarantees and donations of
- 17 property, labor, services, or other things of value from any
- 18 public or private source;
- 19 (5) To employ or contract for such managerial,
- 20 engineering, legal, technical, clerical, accounting, or
- 21 other assistance as it deems advisable;
- 22 (6) To acquire by purchase, lease, gift, grant,
- 23 bequest, devise, or otherwise, any real property within its
- 24 boundaries, personal property, or any interest in such
- 25 property;
- 26 (7) To sell, lease, exchange, transfer, assign,
- 27 mortgage, pledge, hypothecate, or otherwise encumber or
- 28 dispose of any real or personal property or any interest in
- 29 such property;

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          (8) To levy and collect special assessments and taxes
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    as provided in sections 67.1401 to 67.1571. However, no
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    such assessments or taxes shall be levied on any property
    exempt from taxation pursuant to subdivision (5) of section
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    137.100. Those exempt pursuant to subdivision (5) of
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    section 137.100 may voluntarily participate in the
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    provisions of sections 67.1401 to 67.1571;
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          (9) If the district is a political subdivision, to
    levy real property taxes and business license taxes in the
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    county seat of a county of the first classification
    containing a population of at least two hundred thousand, as
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    provided in sections 67.1401 to 67.1571. However, no such
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    assessments or taxes shall be levied on any property exempt
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    from taxation pursuant to subdivisions (2) and (5) of
    section 137.100. Those exempt pursuant to subdivisions (2)
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    and (5) of section 137.100 may voluntarily participate in
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    the provisions of sections 67.1401 to 67.1571;
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               If the district is a political subdivision, to
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    levy sales taxes pursuant to sections 67.1401 to 67.1571;
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               To fix, charge, and collect fees, rents, and
    other charges for use of any of the following:
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              The district's real property, except for public
    rights-of-way for utilities;
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              The district's personal property, except in a city
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              Any of the district's interests in such real or
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    personal property, except for public rights-of-way for
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58 (12) To borrow money from any public or private source 59 and issue obligations and provide security for the repayment 60 of the same as provided in sections 67.1401 to 67.1571;

61 (13) To loan money as provided in sections 67.1401 to 62 67.1571;

- 63 (14) To make expenditures, create reserve funds, and
- 64 use its revenues as necessary to carry out its powers or
- duties and the provisions and purposes of sections 67.1401
- 66 to 67.1571;
- 67 (15) To enter into one or more agreements with the
- 68 municipality for the purpose of abating any public nuisance
- 69 within the boundaries of the district including, but not
- 70 limited to, the stabilization, repair or maintenance or
- 71 demolition and removal of buildings or structures, provided
- 72 that the municipality has declared the existence of a public
- 73 nuisance;
- 74 (16) Within its boundaries, to provide assistance to
- 75 or to construct, reconstruct, install, repair, maintain, and
- 76 equip any of the following public improvements:
- 77 (a) Pedestrian or shopping malls and plazas;
- 78 (b) Parks, lawns, trees, and any other landscape;
- 79 (c) Convention centers, arenas, aquariums, aviaries,
- 80 and meeting facilities;
- 81 (d) Sidewalks, streets, alleys, bridges, ramps,
- 82 tunnels, overpasses and underpasses, traffic signs and
- 83 signals, utilities, drainage, water, storm and sewer
- 84 systems, and other site improvements;
- 85 (e) Parking lots, garages, or other facilities;
- 86 (f) Lakes, dams, and waterways;
- 87 (q) Streetscape, lighting, benches or other seating
- 88 furniture, trash receptacles, marquees, awnings, canopies,
- 89 walls, and barriers;
- 90 (h) Telephone and information booths, bus stop and
- 91 other shelters, rest rooms, and kiosks;

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92 (i) Paintings, murals, display cases, sculptures, and 93 fountains;

- (j) Music, news, and child-care facilities; and
- 95 (k) Any other useful, necessary, or desired public 96 improvement specified in the petition or any amendment;
- 97 (17) To dedicate to the municipality, with the 98 municipality's consent, streets, sidewalks, parks, and other 99 real property and improvements located within its boundaries 100 for public use;
- 101 (18) Within its boundaries and with the municipality's
 102 consent, to prohibit or restrict vehicular and pedestrian
 103 traffic and vendors on streets, alleys, malls, bridges,
 104 ramps, sidewalks, and tunnels and to provide the means for
 105 access by emergency vehicles to or in such areas;
- 106 (19) Within its boundaries, to operate or to contract 107 for the provision of music, news, child-care, or parking 108 facilities, and buses, minibuses, or other modes of 109 transportation;
- 110 (20) Within its boundaries, to lease space for 111 sidewalk café tables and chairs;
- 112 (21) Within its boundaries, to provide or contract for 113 the provision of security personnel, equipment, or 114 facilities for the protection of property and persons;
- 115 (22) Within its boundaries, to provide or contract for 116 cleaning, maintenance, and other services to public and 117 private property;
- 118 (23) To produce and promote any tourism, recreational 119 or cultural activity or special event in the district by, 120 but not limited to, advertising, decoration of any public 121 place in the district, promotion of such activity and 122 special events, and furnishing music in any public place;

- 123 (24) To support business activity and economic
 124 development in the district including, but not limited to,
 125 the promotion of business activity, development and
 126 retention, and the recruitment of developers and businesses;
- 127 (25) To provide or support training programs for 128 employees of businesses within the district;
- 129 (26) To provide refuse collection and disposal services within the district;
- 131 (27) To contract for or conduct economic, planning,132 marketing or other studies;
- 133 (28) To repair, restore, or maintain any abandoned 134 cemetery on public or private land within the district; and
- 135 (29)To partner with a telecommunications company or 136 broadband service provider in order to construct or improve 137 telecommunications facilities which shall be wholly owned 138 and operated by the telecommunications company or broadband 139 service provider, as the terms "telecommunications company" and "telecommunications facilities" are defined in section 140 386.020 and subject to the provisions of section 392.410, 141 that are in an unserved or underserved area, as defined in 142 section 620.2450. Before any facilities are improved or 143 constructed as a result of this section, the area shall be 144 certified as unserved or underserved by the director of 145 146 broadband development within the department of economic 147 development;
- 148 (30) To carry out any other powers set forth in 149 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:
- 153 (1) Within its blighted area, to contract with any 154 private property owner to demolish and remove, renovate,

reconstruct, or rehabilitate any building or structure owned by such private property owner; and

- 157 (2) To expend its revenues or loan its revenues
 158 pursuant to a contract entered into pursuant to this
 159 subsection, provided that the governing body of the
 160 municipality has determined that the action to be taken
 161 pursuant to such contract is reasonably anticipated to
 162 remediate the blighting conditions and will serve a public
 163 purpose.
 - 3. Each district which is an entertainment district shall have the following additional powers:
 - (1) Within its boundaries, to restrict or prohibit the carrying of weapons or firearms in designated restricted areas, including, but not limited to, parks, public events, and other public spaces within the boundaries of the district;
 - (2) Within its boundaries, to promulgate and enforce rules relating to curfews and the presence and activities of unaccompanied minors under the age of eighteen in public spaces during specified hours unless accompanied by a parent or guardian; and
 - (3) Within its boundaries, to hire and train public safety and security personnel to enforce the laws of the municipality and rules of the district.
- 4. 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.

- 186 [4.] 5. Nothing in sections 67.1401 to 67.1571 shall
 187 be construed to delegate to any district any sovereign right
 188 of municipalities to promote order, safety, health, morals,
 189 and general welfare of the public, except those such police
 190 powers, if any, expressly delegated pursuant to sections
 191 67.1401 to 67.1571.
 - [5.] 6. 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.
 - [6.] 7. All construction contracts entered into after August 28, 2021, in excess of five thousand dollars between a district that has adopted a sales tax and any private person, firm, or corporation shall be competitively bid and shall be awarded to the lowest and best bidder. Notice of the letting of the contracts shall be given in the manner provided by section 8.250.
 - 67.1535. 1. Subject to appropriation, the department of economic development may, upon such terms and with reasonable consideration as it may determine, expend funds for the purpose of promoting, developing, and supporting entertainment tourism within any district designated as an entertainment district pursuant to section 67.1421, and for which application is made and approved by the department of economic development no later than August 28, 2027. Any annual expenditure by the department of economic development for entertainment tourism shall be limited to a portion of

11 tax revenues derived directly or indirectly from any such

- 12 promotion, development, and support of entertainment tourism
- 13 supported by such annual expenditure within such designated
- 14 entertainment district, as stated in an agreement entered
- into between the district and the department of economic
- 16 development; provided, however, that:
- 17 (1) The term of state appropriations under any such
- 18 agreement shall not exceed twenty-seven years;
- 19 (2) The annual amount of the state appropriation
- 20 authorized under this section shall not exceed two million
- 21 five hundred thousand dollars per year for any fiscal year
- 22 ending on or before June 30, 2031, and four million five
- 23 hundred thousand dollars per year for any fiscal year
- 24 thereafter. No such appropriation shall be made prior to
- 25 **July 1**, **2026**;
- 26 (3) Any such promotion, development, and support of
- 27 entertainment tourism shall be determined to produce a
- 28 positive net fiscal impact for the state over the term of
- 29 such agreement, with such public or private assurances as
- 30 the department of economic development may reasonably
- 31 require; and
- 32 (4) The department of economic development shall make
- 33 an annual written report to the governor and the general
- 34 assembly within ninety days of the end of each fiscal year
- 35 detailing whether such promotion, development, and support
- 36 of entertainment tourism produced a positive net fiscal
- 37 impact for the state in the prior fiscal year and projecting
- 38 the overall net fiscal impact to the state over the term of
- 39 such agreement.
- 40 2. As used in this section, "entertainment tourism"
- 41 shall mean activities, services, and experiences designed
- 42 for leisure and enjoyment centered on athletic,

- 43 recreational, and cultural events, attractions, and
- 44 enrichment sponsored by any public or private entity, the
- 45 provision and enhancement of public safety and the provision
- of financial assistance to attract sporting events,
- 47 recreational, entertainment, or other meeting activities,
- 48 either professional or amateur, commercial or private.

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