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## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 725**

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Committee: Urban Affairs

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Community Development Law; to amend
- 2 section 18-2105, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to authorize
- 3 guidelines for the consideration and approval of certain
- 4 redevelopment projects; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the
- 5 original section.
- 6 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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1 Section 1. Section 18-2105, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is

2 amended to read:

3 (1) The governing body of a city or an authority at its 18-2105 4 direction for the purposes of the Community Development Law may formulate 5 for the city entire municipality a workable program for utilizing appropriate private and public resources to eliminate or prevent the 6 development or spread of urban blight, to encourage needed urban 7 rehabilitation, to provide for the redevelopment of substandard and 8 9 blighted areas, or to undertake any or all of such of the aforesaid activities or other feasible municipal activities as may be suitably 10 employed to achieve the objectives of such workable program. Such 11 workable program may include, without limitation, provision for (a) the 12 13 prevention of the spread of blight into areas of the city municipality which are free from blight through diligent enforcement of housing, 14 zoning, and occupancy controls and standards, (b); the rehabilitation or 15 16 conservation of substandard and blighted areas or portions of such areas 17 thereof by replanning, removing congestion, providing parks, playgrounds, and other public improvements by encouraging voluntary rehabilitation and 18 19 compelling the repair and rehabilitation of deteriorated deteriorating structures,  $\dot{\tau}$  and <u>(c)</u> the clearance and redevelopment of 20 substandard and blighted areas or portions of such areas thereof. 21

22 (2) As part of a workable program formulated under subsection (1) of this section, the governing body of a city or an authority may develop 23 24 guidelines for the consideration or approval of redevelopment projects 25 that are financed in whole or in part through the division of taxes as provided in section 18-2147. Such quidelines may establish general goals 26 and priorities for the use of funds from such division of taxes or 27 limitations or restrictions on the use of funds from such division of 28 taxes within such city. 29

(3) Notwithstanding any other provisions of the Community

Development Law, where the local governing body certifies that an area is

- 1 in need of redevelopment or rehabilitation as a result of flood, fire,
- 2 hurricane, earthquake, storm, or other catastrophe respecting which the
- 3 Governor of the state has certified the need for disaster assistance
- 4 under federal law, the local governing body may approve a redevelopment
- 5 plan and a redevelopment project with respect to such area without regard
- 6 to the provisions of the Community Development Law requiring a general
- 7 plan for the <u>city</u> <del>municipality</del> and notice and public hearing or findings
- 8 other than <u>as provided in this section</u> herein set forth.
- 9 Sec. 2. Original section 18-2105, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 10 Nebraska, is repealed.