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SENATE BILL NO. 721

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR RUPP.

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Read 2nd time February 2, 2012, and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and Fiscal Oversight.

Reported from the Committee March 29, 2012, with recommendation that the bill do pass.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

AN ACT

To repeal section 99.825, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to tax increment financing in certain counties.

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

Section A. Section 99.825, RSMo, is repealed and one new section enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 99.825, to read as follows:

99.825. 1. Prior to the adoption of an ordinance proposing the designation of a redevelopment area, or approving a redevelopment plan or redevelopment project, the commission shall fix a time and place for a public hearing as required in subsection 4 of section 99.820 and notify each taxing district located wholly or partially within the boundaries of the proposed redevelopment area, plan or project. At the public hearing any interested person or affected taxing district may file with the commission written objections to, or comments on, and may be heard orally in respect to, any issues embodied in the notice. The commission shall hear and consider all protests, objections, comments and other evidence 10 presented at the hearing. The hearing may be continued to another date without 11 further notice other than a motion to be entered upon the minutes fixing the time and place of the subsequent hearing; provided, if the commission is created under 1213 subsection 3 of section 99.820, the hearing shall not be continued for more than thirty days beyond the date on which it is originally opened unless such longer 14 15 period is requested by the chief elected official of the municipality creating the

commission and approved by a majority of the commission. Prior to the

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conclusion of the hearing, changes may be made in the redevelopment plan, redevelopment project, or redevelopment area, provided that each affected taxing district is given written notice of such changes at least seven days prior to the conclusion of the hearing. After the public hearing but prior to the adoption of an ordinance approving a redevelopment plan or redevelopment project, or designating a redevelopment area, changes may be made to the redevelopment plan, redevelopment projects or redevelopment areas without a further hearing, if such changes do not enlarge the exterior boundaries of the redevelopment area or areas, and do not substantially affect the general land uses established in the redevelopment plan or substantially change the nature of the redevelopment projects, provided that notice of such changes shall be given by mail to each affected taxing district and by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the area of the proposed redevelopment not less than ten days prior to the adoption of the changes by ordinance. After the adoption of an ordinance approving a redevelopment plan or redevelopment project, or designating a redevelopment area, no ordinance shall be adopted altering the exterior boundaries, affecting the general land uses established pursuant to the redevelopment plan or changing the nature of the redevelopment project without complying with the procedures provided in this section pertaining to the initial approval of a redevelopment plan or redevelopment project and designation of a redevelopment area. Hearings with regard to a redevelopment project, redevelopment area, or redevelopment plan may be held simultaneously.

2. [Effective January 1, 2008,] If, after concluding the hearing required under this section, the commission makes a recommendation under section 99.820 in opposition to a proposed redevelopment plan, redevelopment project, or designation of a redevelopment area, or any amendments thereto, a municipality desiring to approve such project, plan, designation, or amendments shall do so only upon a two-thirds majority vote of the governing body of such municipality. Except that no municipality which is a county with a charter form of government and with more than nine hundred fifty thousand inhabitants, a county with a charter form of government and with more than three hundred thousand but fewer than four hundred fifty thousand inhabitants, or a county with a charter form of government and with more than two hundred thousand but fewer than three hundred fifty thousand inhabitants, or is located in any such county, shall approve such project, plan, designation, or amendments

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thereto, unless a majority of the commission members vote to make a recommendation to approve such project, plan, designation, or amendments, or such municipality places the question before the qualified voters of such county and the question is approved by no less than two-thirds of the voters voting thereon.

3. Tax incremental financing projects within an economic development area shall apply to and fund only the following infrastructure projects: highways, for roads, streets, bridges, sewers, traffic control systems and devices, water distribution and supply systems, curbing, sidewalks and any other similar public improvements, but in no case shall it include buildings.

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