SENATE SUBSTITUTE

FOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 821

AN ACT

To repeal section 140.190, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof eighteen new sections relating to land banks, with penalty provisions.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 Section A. Section 140.190, RSMo, is repealed and eighteen
- 2 new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections
- 3 140.190, 140.980, 140.981, 140.982, 140.983, 140.984, 140.985,
- 4 140.986, 140.987, 140.988, 140.991, 140.997, 140.1000, 140.1003,
- 5 140.1006, 140.1009, 140.1012, and 140.1015, to read as follows:
- 6 140.190. 1. On the day mentioned in the notice, the county
- 7 collector shall commence the sale of such lands, and shall
- 8 continue the same from day to day until each parcel assessed or
- 9 belonging to each person assessed shall be sold as will pay the
- 10 taxes, interest and charges thereon, or chargeable to such person
- 11 in said county.
- 12 2. The person or land bank agency offering at said sale to
- pay the required sum for a tract shall be considered the
- 14 purchaser of such land; provided, no sale shall be made to any
- 15 person or designated agent who is currently delinquent on any tax
- 16 payments on any property, other than a delinquency on the
- 17 property being offered for sale, and who does not sign an
- 18 affidavit stating such at the time of sale. Failure to sign such

- affidavit as well as signing a false affidavit may invalidate such sale. No bid shall be received from any person not a resident of the state of Missouri or a foreign corporation or entity all deemed nonresidents. A nonresident shall file with said collector an agreement in writing consenting to the jurisdiction of the circuit court of the county in which such sale shall be made, and also filing with such collector an appointment of some citizen of said county as agent of said nonresident, and consenting that service of process on such agent shall give such court jurisdiction to try and determine any suit growing out of or connected with such sale for taxes. After the delinquent auction sale, any certificate of purchase shall be issued to the agent. After meeting the requirements of section 140.405, the property shall be conveyed to the agent on behalf of the nonresident, and the agent shall thereafter convey the property to the nonresident.
 - 3. All such written consents to jurisdiction and selective appointments shall be preserved by the county collector and shall be binding upon any person or corporation claiming under the person consenting to jurisdiction and making the appointment herein referred to; provided further, that in the event of the death, disability or refusal to act of the person appointed as agent of said nonresident the county clerk shall become the appointee as agent of said nonresident.

4. No person residing in any home rule city with more than seventy-one thousand but fewer than seventy-nine thousand inhabitants shall be eligible to offer to purchase lands under this section unless such person has, no later than ten days

- 1 before the sale date, demonstrated to the satisfaction of the
- 2 official charged by law with conducting the sale that the person
- 3 is not the owner of any parcel of real property that has two or
- 4 more violations of the municipality's building or housing codes.
- 5 A prospective bidder may make such a demonstration by presenting
- 6 statements from the appropriate collection and code-enforcement
- 7 officials of the municipality. This subsection shall not apply
- 8 to any taxing authority or land bank agency, and entities shall
- 9 be eligible to bid at any sale conducted under this section
- 10 without making such a demonstration.
- 11 140.980. 1. Sections 140.980 to 140.1015 shall be known
- and may be cited as the "Land Bank Act".
- 13 <u>2. As used in sections 140.980 to 140.1015, the following</u>
- 14 <u>terms mean:</u>
- (1) "Ancillary parcel", a parcel of real estate acquired by
- 16 a land bank agency other than any sale conducted under section
- 17 140.190, 140.240, or 140.250;
- 18 (2) "Land bank agency", an agency established by a city
- 19 under the authority of section 140.981;
- 20 (3) "Land taxes", taxes on real property or real estate,
- 21 <u>including the taxes both on the land and the improvements</u>
- 22 thereon;
- 23 (4) "Political subdivision", any county, city, town,
- village, school district, library district, or any other public
- 25 <u>subdivision or public corporation that has the power to tax;</u>
- 26 (5) "Reserve period taxes", land taxes assessed against any
- 27 parcel of real estate sold or otherwise disposed of by a land
- 28 bank agency for the first three tax years following such sale or

1 <u>disposition;</u>

- 2 (6) "Tax bill", real estate taxes and the lien thereof,
- 3 whether general or special, levied and assessed by any taxing
- 4 authority;
- 5 (7) "Taxing authority", any governmental, managing,
- 6 administering, or other lawful authority, now or hereafter
- 7 empowered by law to issue tax bills.
- 8 140.981. 1. Any home rule city with more than seventy-one
- 9 thousand but fewer than seventy-nine thousand inhabitants may
- 10 establish a land bank agency for the management, sale, transfer,
- and other disposition of interests in real estate owned by such
- land bank agency. Any such land bank agency shall be established
- to foster the public purpose of returning land, including land
- that is in a nonrevenue-generating, nontax-producing status, to
- 15 <u>use in private ownership. A city may establish a land bank</u>
- 16 agency by ordinance, resolution, or rule, as applicable.
- 17 2. A land bank agency shall not own any interest in real
- 18 estate located wholly or partially outside the city that
- 19 established the land bank.
- 20 3. The beneficiaries of the land bank agency shall be the
- 21 <u>taxing authorities that held or owned tax bills against the</u>
- respective parcels of real estate acquired by such land bank
- agency pursuant to a sale conducted under section 140.190,
- 24 140.240, or 140.250, and their respective interests in each
- 25 parcel of real estate shall be to the extent and in proportion to
- the priorities determined by the court on the basis that the
- 27 principal amount of their respective tax bills bore to the total
- 28 principal amount of all of the tax bills described in the

- 1 judgment.
- 2 4. A land bank agency created under the land bank act shall
- 3 <u>be a public body corporate and politic and shall have permanent</u>
- 4 and perpetual duration until terminated and dissolved in
- 5 accordance with the provisions of section 140.1012.
- 6 140.982. The governing body of the city establishing a land
- 7 bank agency, or the chief administrative officer of the city
- 8 establishing a land bank agency, shall have the power to organize
- 9 and reorganize the executive, administrative, clerical, and other
- departments of the land bank agency and to fix the duties,
- 11 powers, and compensation of all employees, agents, and
- consultants of the land bank agency. A land bank agency may
- employ a secretary, an executive director, its own counsel and
- 14 <u>legal staff, technical experts, and other agents and employees,</u>
- permanent or temporary, as it may require and may determine the
- 16 qualifications and fix the compensation and benefits of such
- 17 persons. A land bank agency may also enter into contracts and
- 18 agreements with political subdivisions for staffing services to
- be provided to the land bank agency by political subdivisions or
- agencies or departments thereof, or for a land bank agency to
- 21 provide such staffing services to political subdivisions or
- 22 agencies or departments thereof.
- 23 140.983. A land bank agency established under the land bank
- 24 act shall have all powers necessary or appropriate to carry out
- 25 and effectuate the purposes and provisions of the land bank act,
- 26 including the following powers in addition to those herein
- 27 otherwise granted:
- 28 (1) To adopt, amend, and repeal bylaws for the regulation

1	of its affairs and the conduct of its business;
2	(2) To sue and be sued, in its own name, and plead and be
3	impleaded in all civil actions including, but not limited to,
4	actions to clear title to property of the land bank agency;
5	(3) To adopt a seal and to alter the same at pleasure;
6	(4) To borrow from private lenders, political subdivisions,
7	the state, and the federal government as may be necessary for the
8	operation and work of the land bank agency;
9	(5) To issue notes and other obligations according to the
10	provisions of this chapter;
11	(6) To procure insurance or quarantees from political
12	subdivisions, the state, the federal government, or any other
13	public or private sources of the payment of any bond, note, loan,
14	or other obligation, or portion thereof, incurred by the land
15	bank agency and to pay any fees or premiums in connection
16	therewith;
17	(7) To enter into contracts and other instruments
18	necessary, incidental, or convenient to the performance of its
19	duties and the exercise of its powers including, but not limited
20	to, agreements with other land bank agencies and with political
21	subdivisions for the joint exercise of powers under this chapter;
22	(8) To enter into contracts and other instruments
23	necessary, incidental, or convenient to:
24	(a) The performance of functions by the land bank agency on
25	behalf of political subdivisions, or agencies or departments
26	thereof; or

(b) The performance by political subdivisions, or agencies or departments thereof, of functions on behalf of the land bank

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and on its behalf;

2	(9) To make and execute contracts and other instruments
3	necessary or convenient to the exercise of the powers of the land
4	bank agency. Any contract or instrument if signed both by the
5	executive director of the land bank agency and by the secretary,
6	assistant secretary, treasurer, or assistant treasurer of the
7	land bank agency, or by an authorized facsimile signature of any
8	such positions, shall be held to have been properly executed for

- (10) To procure insurance against losses in connection with the property, assets, or activities of the land bank agency;
 - including amounts deposited in reserve or sinking funds, at the discretion of the land bank agency in instruments, obligations, securities, or property determined proper by the land bank agency and to name and use depositories for its moneys;
 - (12) To enter into contracts for the management of, the collection of rent from, or the sale of the property of the land bank agency;
 - (13) To design, develop, construct, demolish, reconstruct, rehabilitate, renovate, relocate, equip, furnish, and otherwise improve real property or rights or interests in real property held by the land bank agency;
- 24 (14) To fix, charge, and collect rents, fees, and charges
 25 for the use of the property of the land bank agency and for
 26 services provided by the land bank agency;
- 27 (15) To acquire property, whether by purchase, exchange,
 28 gift, lease, or otherwise, except not property not wholly located

- 1 <u>in the city that established the land bank agency; to grant or</u>
- 2 acquire licenses and easements; and to sell, lease, grant an
- 3 option with respect to, or otherwise dispose of, any property of
- 4 the land bank agency;
- 5 (16) To enter into partnerships, joint ventures, and other
- 6 <u>collaborative relationships with political subdivisions and other</u>
- 7 public and private entities for the ownership, management,
- 8 development, and disposition of real property, except not for
- 9 property not wholly located in the city that established the land
- bank agency; and
- 11 (17) Subject to the other provisions of this chapter and
- 12 <u>all other applicable laws, to do all other things necessary or</u>
- convenient to achieve the objectives and purposes of the land
- bank agency or other laws that relate to the purposes and
- responsibility of the land bank agency.
- 16 <u>140.984.</u> 1. The income of a land bank agency shall be
- exempt from all taxation by the state and by any of its political
- 18 subdivisions. Upon acquiring title to any real estate, a land
- bank agency shall immediately notify the county assessor and the
- 20 county collector of such ownership, and such real estate shall be
- 21 exempt from all taxation during the land bank agency's ownership
- thereof, in the same manner and to the same extent as any other
- 23 publicly owned real estate. Upon the sale or other disposition
- of any real estate held by it, the land bank agency shall
- 25 immediately notify the county assessor and the county collector
- of such change of ownership. However, that such tax exemption
- for improved and occupied real property held by the land bank
- 28 agency as a lessor pursuant to a ground lease shall terminate

- 1 upon the first occupancy, and the land bank agency shall
- 2 immediately notify the county assessor and the county collector
- 3 of such occupancy.
- 4 2. A land bank agency may acquire real property or
- 5 interests in property by gift, devise, transfer, exchange,
- foreclosure, lease, purchase, or otherwise on terms and
- 7 conditions and in a manner the land bank agency considers proper.
- 8 3. A land bank agency may acquire property by purchase
- 9 contracts, lease purchase agreements, installment sales
- 10 contracts, and land contracts and may accept transfers from
- 11 political subdivisions upon such terms and conditions as agreed
- to by the land bank agency and the political subdivision. A land
- bank agency may bid on any parcel of real estate offered for
- sale, offered at a foreclosure sale under sections 140.220 to
- 15 140.250, or offered at a sale conducted under section 140.190,
- 16 140.240, or 140.250. Notwithstanding any other law to the
- 17 contrary, any political subdivision may transfer to the land bank
- 18 agency real property and interests in real property of the
- 19 political subdivision on such terms and conditions and according
- 20 to such procedures as determined by the political subdivision.
- 21 <u>4. A land bank agency shall maintain all of its real</u>
- 22 property in accordance with the laws and ordinances of the
- jurisdictions in which the real property is located.
- 5. Upon issuance of a deed of a delinquent land tax auction
- 25 <u>under subsection 4 of section 140.250, subsection 5 of section</u>
- 26 140.405, or other sale conducted under section 140.190, 140.240,
- or 140.250 of a parcel of real estate to a land bank agency, the
- land bank agency shall pay the amount of the land bank agency's

- 1 bid that exceeds the amount of all tax bills included in the
- 2 judgment, interest, penalties, attorney's fees, taxes, and costs
- 3 then due thereon. If the real estate is acquired in a delinquent
- 4 land tax auction, such excess shall be applied and distributed in
- 5 accordance with section 140.230. Upon issuance of a deed, the
- 6 county collector shall mark the tax bills included in the
- 7 judgment as "cancelled by sale to the land bank" and shall take
- 8 credit for the full amount of such tax bills, including principal
- 9 amount, interest, penalties, attorney's fees, and costs, on his
- or her books and in his or her statements with any other taxing
- 11 authorities.
- 12 <u>6. A land bank shall not own real property unless the</u>
- 13 property is wholly located within the boundaries of the city that
- established the land bank agency.
- 15 140.985. 1. A land bank agency shall hold in its own name
- 16 all real property acquired by such land bank agency irrespective
- of the identity of the transferor of such property.
- 18 2. A land bank agency shall maintain and make available for
- 19 public review and inspection an inventory and history of all real
- 20 property the land bank agency holds or formerly held. This
- 21 <u>inventory and history shall be available on the land bank</u>
- 22 agency's website and include at a minimum:
- 23 (1) Whether a parcel is available for sale;
- 24 (2) The address of the parcel if an address has been
- 25 <u>assigned;</u>
- 26 (3) The parcel number if no address has been assigned;
- 27 (4) The year that a parcel entered the land bank agency's
- 28 inventory;

1	(5) Whether a parcel has sold; and
2	(6) If a parcel has sold, the name of the person or entity
3	to which it was sold.
4	3. The land bank agency shall determine and set forth in
5	policies and procedures the general terms and conditions for
6	consideration to be received by the land bank agency for the
7	transfer of real property and interests in real property.
8	Consideration may take the form of monetary payments and secured
9	financial obligations, covenants, and conditions related to the
10	present and future use of the property; contractual commitments
11	of the transferee; and such other forms of consideration as the
12	land bank agency determines to be in the best interest of its
13	purpose.
14	4. A land bank agency may convey, exchange, sell, transfer,
15	lease, grant, release and demise, pledge, and hypothecate any and
16	all interests in, upon, or to property of the land bank agency.
17	A land bank agency may gift any interest in, upon, or to property
18	to the city that established the land bank agency.
19	5. A city may, in its resolution or ordinance creating a
20	land bank agency, establish a hierarchical ranking of priorities
21	for the use of real property conveyed by such land bank agency,
22	subject to subsection 7 of this section, including, but not
23	<pre>limited to:</pre>
24	(1) Use for purely public spaces and places;
25	(2) Use for affordable housing;
26	(3) Use for retail, commercial, and industrial activities;
27	(4) Use as wildlife conservation areas; and

(5) Such other uses and in such hierarchical order as

determined by such city.

and zoning ordinances.

- If a city, in its resolution or ordinance creating a land bank

 agency, establishes priorities for the use of real property

 conveyed by the land bank agency, such priorities shall be

 consistent with and no more restrictive than municipal planning
 - 6. The land bank agency may delegate to officers and employees the authority to enter into and execute agreements, instruments of conveyance, and all other related documents pertaining to the conveyance of property by the land bank agency.
 - 7. A land bank agency shall only accept written offers
 equal to or greater than the full amount of all tax bills,
 interest, penalties, attorney's fees, and costs on real property
 to purchase the real property held by the land bank agency.
 - 8. When any parcel of real estate acquired by a land bank agency is sold or otherwise disposed of by such land bank agency, the proceeds therefrom shall be applied and distributed in the following order:
 - (1) To the payment of the expenses of the sale;
 - (2) To fulfill the requirements of the resolution, indenture, or other financing documents adopted or entered into in connection with bonds, notes, or other obligations of the land bank agency, to the extent that such requirements may apply with respect to such parcel of real estate;
 - (3) To the balance to be retained by the land bank agency to pay the salaries and other expenses of such land bank agency and of its employees as provided for in its annual budget; and

1	(4) Any funds in excess of those necessary to meet the
2	expenses of the annual budget of the land bank agency in any
3	fiscal year and a reasonable sum to carry over into the next
4	fiscal year to assure that sufficient funds will be available to
5	meet initial expenses for that next fiscal year, exclusive of net
6	profit from the sale of ancillary parcels, shall be paid to the
7	respective taxing authorities that, at the time of the
8	distribution, are taxing the real property from which the
9	proceeds are being distributed. The distributions shall be in
10	proportion to the amounts of the taxes levied on the properties
11	by the taxing authorities. Distribution shall be made on January
12	first and July first of each year, and at such other times as the
13	land bank agency may determine.

- 9. When any ancillary parcel is sold or otherwise disposed of by such land bank agency, the proceeds therefrom shall be applied and distributed in the following order:
- (1) To the payment of all land taxes and related charges then due on such parcel;
 - (2) To the payment of the expenses of sale;

- (3) To fulfill the requirements of the resolution, indenture, or other financing documents adopted or entered into in connection with bonds, notes, or other obligations of the land bank agency, to the extent that such requirements may apply with respect to such parcel of real estate;
 - (4) To the balance to be retained by the land bank agency to pay the salaries and other expenses of such land bank agency and of its employees as provided for in its annual budget; and
 - (5) Any funds in excess of those necessary to meet the

- 1 expenses of the annual budget of the land bank agency in any
- 2 <u>fiscal year and a reasonable sum to carry over into the next</u>
- 3 fiscal year to assure that sufficient funds will be available to
- 4 meet initial expenses for that next fiscal year, shall be paid in
- 5 accordance with subdivision (4) of subsection 8 of this section.
- 6 10. If a land bank agency owns more than five parcels of
- 7 real property in a single city block and no written offer to
- 8 purchase any of those properties has been submitted to the agency
- 9 in the past twelve months, the land bank agency shall reduce its
- 10 requested price for those properties and advertise the discount
- 11 publicly.
- 12 140.986. 1. No later than two years from the date it
- acquired the property, a land bank agency shall either sell, put
- to a productive use, or show significant progress towards selling
- or putting to a productive use a parcel of real property. A
- 16 productive use may be renting the property; demolishing all
- structures of the property; restoring property of historic value;
- or using the property for a community garden, park, or other open
- 19 public space.
- 20 2. The governing body of the city may grant the land bank
- 21 <u>agency a one-year extension if the body determines by a majority</u>
- 22 vote that unforeseen circumstances have delayed the sale or
- 23 productive use of a parcel of property.
- 3. If a land bank agency owns a parcel of real property
- 25 that does not have a productive use after two years, or does not
- 26 receive an extension under subsection 2 of this section, the
- 27 property shall be offered for public sale using the procedures
- 28 under sections 140.170 to 140.190.

140.987. A land bank agency shall ensure that any contract for the sale of residential property owned by the land bank agency shall have a clause that the buyer shall own the property for three years following the buyer's purchase of the property from the land bank. The clause shall state that a violation of those terms makes the buyer civilly liable to the land bank agency for an amount equal to twice the sale price of the property.

- 140.988. 1. A land bank agency may receive funding through grants, gifts, and loans from political subdivisions, the state, the federal government, and other public and private sources.
- 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsections 8 and 9 of section 140.985, a land bank agency may receive and retain payments for services rendered, for rents and leasehold payments received, for consideration for disposition of real and personal property, for proceeds of insurance coverage for losses incurred, for income from investments, and for any other asset and activity lawfully permitted to a land bank agency under the land bank act.
- 3. If a land bank agency sells or otherwise disposes of a parcel of real estate held by it, any land taxes assessed against such parcel for the three tax years following such sale or disposition by such land bank agency that are collected by the county collector in a calendar year and not refunded, less the fees provided under section 52.260 and subsection 4 of this section and less the amounts to be deducted under section 137.720, shall be distributed by the county collector to such land bank agency no later than March first of the following calendar year, provided that land taxes impounded under section

- 1 <u>139.031</u> or otherwise paid under protest shall not be subject to
- 2 <u>distribution under this subsection</u>. Any amount required to be
- 3 <u>distributed to a land bank agency under this subsection shall be</u>
- 4 subject to offset for amounts previously distributed to such land
- 5 <u>bank agency that were assessed, collected, or distributed in</u>
- 6 <u>error.</u>
- 7 4. In addition to any other provisions of law related to
- 8 collection fees, the county collector shall collect on behalf of
- 9 the county a fee of four percent of reserve period taxes
- 10 <u>collected and such fees collected shall be deposited in the</u>
- 11 <u>county general fund.</u>
- 12 140.991. 1. There shall be an annual audit of the affairs,
- accounts, expenses, and financial transactions of a land bank
- agency by a certified public accountant before April thirtieth of
- each year, which accountant shall be employed by the land bank
- agency on or before March first of each year. Certified copies
- of the audit shall be furnished to the city that established the
- 18 land bank agency, and the city shall post the audit on its public
- 19 website. Copies of the audit shall also be available for public
- 20 <u>inspection at the office of the land bank agency.</u>
- 2. The land bank agency may be performance audited at any
- 22 time by the state auditor or by the auditor of the city that
- established the land bank agency. The cost of such audit shall
- be paid by the land bank agency, and copies shall be made
- 25 <u>available to the public and posted on the land bank agency's</u>
- 26 website within thirty days of the completion of the audit.
- 27 140.997. Except as otherwise provided under state law, the
- land bank agency meetings shall cause minutes and a record to be

- 1 kept of all its proceedings. The land bank agency shall be
- 2 subject to the provisions of chapter 109, chapter 610, and any
- 3 other applicable provisions of law governing public records and
- 4 public meetings.
- 5 140.1000. 1. No employee of a land bank agency shall
- 6 receive any compensation, emolument, or other profit directly or
- 7 indirectly from the rental, management, acquisition, sale,
- 8 demolition, repair, rehabilitation, use, operation, ownership, or
- 9 disposition of any lands held by such land bank agency other than
- the salaries, expenses, and emoluments provided for in the land
- 11 bank act.
- 12 <u>2. No employee of a land bank agency shall own, directly or</u>
- indirectly, any legal or equitable interest in or to any lands
- 14 <u>held by such land bank agency other than the salaries, expenses,</u>
- and emoluments provided for in sections 140.980 to 140.1015.
- 16 3. A violation of this section is a class D felony.
- 17 4. The land bank agency may adopt supplemental rules and
- 18 regulations addressing potential conflicts of interest and
- 19 ethical guidelines for land bank agency employees, provided that
- such rules and regulations are not inconsistent with this chapter
- or any other applicable law.
- 22 140.1003. Except as otherwise expressly set forth in
- 23 sections 140.980 to 140.1015, in the exercise of its powers and
- 24 duties under the land bank act and its powers relating to
- 25 property held by the land bank agency, the land bank agency shall
- 26 have complete control of the property as fully and completely as
- if it were a private property owner.
- 28 140.1006. 1. If any ancillary parcel is acquired by a land

- 1 bank agency and is encumbered by a lien or claim for real
- 2 property taxes owed to a taxing authority, such taxing authority
- 3 may elect to contribute to the land bank agency all or any
- 4 portion of such taxes that are distributed to and received by
- 5 such taxing authority.
- 6 <u>2. To the extent that a land bank agency receives payments</u>
- 7 or credits of any kind attributable to liens or claims for real
- 8 property taxes owed to a taxing authority, the land bank agency
- 9 shall remit the full amount of the payments to the county
- 10 collector for distribution to the appropriate taxing authority.
- 11 140.1009. 1. A land bank agency shall be authorized to
- file an action to quiet title under section 527.150 as to any
- real property in which the land bank agency has an interest. For
- purposes of any and all such actions, the land bank agency shall
- be deemed to be the holder of sufficient legal and equitable
- 16 interests, and possessory rights, so as to qualify the land bank
- agency as an adequate petitioner in such action.
- 18 2. Prior to the filing of an action to quiet title, the
- 19 land bank agency shall conduct an examination of title to
- determine the identity of any and all persons and entities
- 21 possessing a claim or interest in or to the real property.
- 22 Service of the petition to quiet title shall be provided to all
- 23 such interested parties by the following methods:
- 24 (1) Registered or certified mail to such identity and
- 25 address as reasonably ascertainable by an inspection of public
- 26 records;
- 27 (2) In the case of occupied real property, by first class
- 28 mail addressed to "Occupant";

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- 2 <u>(4) By publication in a newspaper of general circulation in</u>
- 3 the city in which the property is located; and
- 4 (5) Such other methods as the court may order.
- 5 3. As part of the petition to quiet title, the land bank
- 6 agency shall file an affidavit identifying all parties
- 7 potentially having an interest in the real property and the form
- 8 of notice provided.
- 9 4. The court shall schedule a hearing on the petition
- within ninety days following filing of the petition, and, as to
- 11 <u>all matters upon which an answer was not filed by an interested</u>
- 12 party, the court shall issue its final judgment within one
- hundred twenty days of the filing of the petition.
- 14 <u>5. A land bank agency shall be authorized to join in a</u>
- single petition to quiet title one or more parcels of real
- 16 property.
- 17 140.1012. 1. A land bank agency may be dissolved as a
- 18 public body corporate and politic no sooner than sixty calendar
- days after an ordinance or resolution for such dissolution is
- 20 passed by the city that established the land bank agency.
- 21 <u>2. No less than sixty calendar days' advance written notice</u>
- 22 of consideration of such an ordinance or resolution of
- 23 dissolution shall be given to the land bank agency, shall be
- 24 published in a local newspaper of general circulation within such
- 25 <u>city</u>, and shall be sent certified mail to each trustee of any
- outstanding bonds of the land bank agency.
- 3. No land bank agency shall be dissolved while there
- 28 <u>remains any outstanding bonds, notes, or other obligations of the</u>

- land bank agency unless such bonds, notes, or other obligations

 are paid or defeased pursuant to the resolution, indenture, or

 other financing document under which such bonds, notes, or other

 obligations were issued prior to or simultaneously with such

 dissolution.
- 6 4. Upon dissolution of a land bank agency pursuant to this 7 section, all real property, personal property, and other assets 8 of the land bank agency shall be transferred by appropriate 9 written instrument to and shall become the assets of the city 10 that established the land bank agency. Such city shall act expeditiously to return such real property to the tax rolls and 11 12 shall market and sell such real property using an open, public 13 method that ensures the best possible prices are realized while 14 ensuring such real property is returned to a suitable, productive 15 use for the betterment of the neighborhood in which such real 16 property is located. Any such real property that was acquired by 17 the dissolved land bank agency pursuant to a sale conducted under 18 section 140.190, 140.240, or 140.250 shall be held by the city in 19 trust for the tax bill owners and taxing authorities having an 20 interest in any tax liens which were foreclosed, as their 21 interests may appear in the judgment of foreclosure, and, upon 22 the sale or other disposition of any such property by such city, 23 the proceeds therefrom shall be applied and distributed in the 24 following order:
 - (1) To the payment of the expenses of sale;

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- 26 (2) To the reasonable costs incurred by such city in maintaining and marketing such property; and
 - (3) The balance shall be paid to the respective taxing

authorities that, at the time of the distribution, are taxing the
real property from which the proceeds are being distributed.

140.1015. A land bank agency shall neither possess nor
exercise the power of eminent domain. A land bank agency shall
not have the power to tax.