

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

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REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON URBAN AFFAIRS, SEPTEMBER 23, 2019

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of May 24, 1945 (P.L.991, No.385), entitled "An  
 2 act to promote elimination of blighted areas and supply  
 3 sanitary housing in areas throughout the Commonwealth; by  
 4 declaring acquisition, sound replanning and redevelopment of  
 5 such areas to be for the promotion of health, safety,  
 6 convenience and welfare; creating public bodies corporate and  
 7 politic to be known as Redevelopment Authorities; authorizing  
 8 them to engage in the elimination of blighted areas and to  
 9 plan and contract with private, corporate or governmental  
 10 redevelopers for their redevelopment; providing for the  
 11 organization of such authorities; defining and providing for  
 12 the exercise of their powers and duties, including the  
 13 acquisition of property by purchase, gift or eminent domain;  
 14 the leasing and selling of property, including borrowing  
 15 money, issuing bonds and other obligations, and giving  
 16 security therefor; restricting the interest of members and  
 17 employes of authorities; providing for notice and hearing;  
 18 supplying certain mandatory provisions to be inserted in  
 19 contracts with redevelopers; prescribing the remedies of  
 20 obligees of redevelopment authorities; conferring certain  
 21 duties upon local planning commissions, the governing bodies  
 22 of cities and counties, and on certain State officers, boards  
 23 and departments," further providing for definitions.

24 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

25 hereby enacts as follows:

26 Section 1. Section 3(c) of the act of May 24, 1945 (P.L.991,  
 27 No.385), known as the Urban Redevelopment Law, is amended to

1 read:

2 Section 3. Definitions.--The following terms where used in  
3 this act, shall have the following meanings, except where the  
4 context clearly indicates a different meaning.

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6 (c) "City."--Any city of the first, second, second class A  
7 or third class. The term shall also include any borough [with a  
8 population large enough for the borough to qualify for a charter  
9 as a city, separately from any town, township or other borough,  
10 under section 201 of the act of June 23, 1931 (P.L.932, No.317),  
11 known as "The Third Class City Code," for all purposes of this  
12 act]. "The city" shall mean the particular city or such  
13 [qualified] borough for which a particular Authority is created.

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15 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.