

AN ACT

relating to the establishment and functions of certain urban land banks.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 379C.002, Local Government Code, is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 379C.002. APPLICABILITY. This chapter applies only to home-rule municipalities that:

(1) have a population of 1.18 million or more; and

(2) are located predominantly in a county that has a total area of less than 1,300 [~~1,000~~] square miles.

SECTION 2. Chapter 379C, Local Government Code, is amended by adding Section 379C.014 to read as follows:

Sec. 379C.014. LAND USED FOR WORLD EXPOSITION. (a) A municipality may transfer to a land bank land that was part of the site of a world exposition recognized by the Bureau International des Expositions, subject to any deed restrictions the municipality adopts, after public notice and hearing, before January 1, 2014.

(b) Section 253.001(b) does not apply to the sale of land described by Subsection (a) if the remainder of the world exposition site includes dedicated public squares or parks that have a total area of 18 acres or more, which may include an area for which the municipality commits to demolishing any non-park improvements within 48 months after the date of the dedication.

1 (c) A petition for judicial review of a sale under
2 Subsection (b) must be filed on or before the 60th day after the
3 date the ordinance or resolution authorizing the sale is adopted. A
4 petition filed after that date is barred.

5 (d) The restrictions and requirements applicable to the
6 sale of land by a land bank under this chapter or any other law do
7 not apply to land sold by a land bank under this section.

8 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 3447 was passed by the House on May 3, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 86, Nays 57, 1 present, not voting; that the House refused to concur in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 3447 on May 24, 2013, and requested the appointment of a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; and that the House adopted the conference committee report on H.B. No. 3447 on May 26, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 114, Nays 26, 6 present, not voting.

Chief Clerk of the House

H.B. No. 3447

I certify that H.B. No. 3447 was passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 21, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 26, Nays 5; at the request of the House, the Senate appointed a conference committee to consider the differences between the two houses; and that the Senate adopted the conference committee report on H.B. No. 3447 on May 26, 2013, by the following vote: Yeas 26, Nays 5.

Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: _____

Date

Governor