

Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to present law.

1 State of Arkansas
2 81st General Assembly
3 Regular Session, 1997

A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1879

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5 By: Representative Wilson

For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO REQUIRE EVERY COUNTY AND EVERY FIRST AND SECOND
10 CLASS CITY TO IDENTIFY BLIGHTED AREAS AND TO EXPEND PUBLIC
11 FUNDS TO ELIMINATE THE BLIGHT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Subtitle

14 "REQUIRE EVERY COUNTY AND EVERY FIRST
15 AND SECOND CLASS CITY TO IDENTIFY
16 BLIGHTED AREAS AND TO EXPEND PUBLIC
17 FUNDS TO ELIMINATE THE BLIGHT."

19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

21 SECTION 1. Every county and every first and second class city in this
22 state shall annually identify blighted areas within their jurisdiction and
23 prepare the budget for the next fiscal year in such manner that the blighted
24 areas shall receive priority in the expenditures of public funds so as to
25 revitalize the blighted areas. Special emphasis shall be placed upon the
26 repair, refurbishment and construction of streets, sewers, and street lights;
27 the prevention and containment of rodent infestation and unchecked vegetation
28 growth; and the identification of ownership of abandoned property.

30 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
31 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
32 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

34 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
35 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
36 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without

1 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
2 act are declared to be severable.

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4 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
5 hereby repealed.

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