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#### A BILL

То	amend section 5709.40 of the Revised Code to	1
	require reimbursement of certain township fire	2
	and emergency medical service levy revenue	3
	forgone because of the creation of a municipal	4
	tax increment financing district.	5

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 5709.40 of the Revised Code be	6
amended to read as follows:	7
Sec. 5709.40. (A) As used in this section:	8
(1) "Blighted area" and "impacted city" have the same	9
meanings as in section 1728.01 of the Revised Code.	10
(2) "Business day" means a day of the week excluding	11
Saturday, Sunday, and a legal holiday as defined under section	12
1.14 of the Revised Code.	13
(3) "Housing renovation" means a project carried out for	14
residential purposes.	15
(4) "Improvement" means the increase in the assessed value	16
of any real property that would first appear on the tax list and	17

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duplicate of real and public utility property after the	18
effective date of an ordinance adopted under this section were	19
it not for the exemption granted by that ordinance.	20
(5) "Incentive district" means an area not more than three	21
hundred acres in size enclosed by a continuous boundary in which	22
a project is being, or will be, undertaken and having one or	23
more of the following distress characteristics:	24
(a) At least fifty-one per cent of the residents of the	25
district have incomes of less than eighty per cent of the median	26
income of residents of the political subdivision in which the	27
district is located, as determined in the same manner specified	28
under section 119(b) of the "Housing and Community Development	29
Act of 1974," 88 Stat. 633, 42 U.S.C. 5318, as amended;	30
(b) The average rate of unemployment in the district	31
during the most recent twelve-month period for which data are	32
available is equal to at least one hundred fifty per cent of the	33
average rate of unemployment for this state for the same period.	34
(c) At least twenty per cent of the people residing in the	35
district live at or below the poverty level as defined in the	36
federal Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, 42 U.S.C.	37
5301, as amended, and regulations adopted pursuant to that act.	38
(d) The district is a blighted area.	39
(e) The district is in a situational distress area as	40
designated by the director of development services under	41
division (F) of section 122.23 of the Revised Code.	42
(f) As certified by the engineer for the political	43
subdivision, the public infrastructure serving the district is	44
inadequate to meet the development needs of the district as	45
evidenced by a written economic development plan or urban	46

renewal plan for the district that has been adopted by the	47
legislative authority of the subdivision.	48
(g) The district is comprised entirely of unimproved land	49
that is located in a distressed area as defined in section	50
122.23 of the Revised Code.	51
(6) "Project" means development activities undertaken on	52
one or more parcels, including, but not limited to,	53
construction, expansion, and alteration of buildings or	54
structures, demolition, remediation, and site development, and	55
any building or structure that results from those activities.	56
(7) "Public infrastructure improvement" includes, but is	57
not limited to, public roads and highways; water and sewer	58
lines; the continued maintenance of those public roads and	59
highways and water and sewer lines; environmental remediation;	60
land acquisition, including acquisition in aid of industry,	61
commerce, distribution, or research; demolition, including	62
demolition on private property when determined to be necessary	63
for economic development purposes; stormwater and flood	64
remediation projects, including such projects on private	65
property when determined to be necessary for public health,	66
safety, and welfare; the provision of gas, electric, and	67
communications service facilities, including the provision of	68
gas or electric service facilities owned by nongovernmental	69
entities when such improvements are determined to be necessary	70
for economic development purposes; and the enhancement of public	71
waterways through improvements that allow for greater public	72
access.	73
(B) The legislative authority of a municipal corporation,	74
by ordinance, may declare improvements to certain parcels of	75

real property located in the municipal corporation to be a

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public purpose. Improvements with respect to a parcel that is	77
used or to be used for residential purposes may be declared a	78
public purpose under this division only if the parcel is located	79
in a blighted area of an impacted city. For this purpose,	80
"parcel that is used or to be used for residential purposes"	81
means a parcel that, as improved, is used or to be used for	82
purposes that would cause the tax commissioner to classify the	83
parcel as residential property in accordance with rules adopted	84
by the commissioner under section 5713.041 of the Revised Code.	85
Except with the approval under division (D) of this section of	86
the board of education of each city, local, or exempted village	87
school district within which the improvements are located, not	88
more than seventy-five per cent of an improvement thus declared	89
to be a public purpose may be exempted from real property	90
taxation for a period of not more than ten years. The ordinance	91
shall specify the percentage of the improvement to be exempted	92
from taxation and the life of the exemption.	93

An ordinance adopted or amended under this division shall 94 designate the specific public infrastructure improvements made, 95 to be made, or in the process of being made by the municipal 96 corporation that directly benefit, or that once made will 97 directly benefit, the parcels for which improvements are 98 declared to be a public purpose. The service payments provided 99 for in section 5709.42 of the Revised Code shall be used to 100 finance the public infrastructure improvements designated in the 101 ordinance, for the purpose described in division (D)(1) of this 102 section or as provided in section 5709.43 of the Revised Code. 103

(C)(1) The legislative authority of a municipal 104 corporation may adopt an ordinance creating an incentive 105 district and declaring improvements to parcels within the 106 district to be a public purpose and, except as provided in 107

division (F) of this section, exempt from taxation as provided	108
in this section, but no legislative authority of a municipal	109
corporation that has a population that exceeds twenty-five	110
thousand, as shown by the most recent federal decennial census,	111
shall adopt an ordinance that creates an incentive district if	112
the sum of the taxable value of real property in the proposed	113
district for the preceding tax year and the taxable value of all	114
real property in the municipal corporation that would have been	115
taxable in the preceding year were it not for the fact that the	116
property was in an existing incentive district and therefore	117
exempt from taxation exceeds twenty-five per cent of the taxable	118
value of real property in the municipal corporation for the	119
preceding tax year. The ordinance shall delineate the boundary	120
of the district and specifically identify each parcel within the	121
district. A district may not include any parcel that is or has	122
been exempted from taxation under division (B) of this section	123
or that is or has been within another district created under	124
this division. An ordinance may create more than one such	125
district, and more than one ordinance may be adopted under	126
division (C)(1) of this section.	127

(2) Not later than thirty days prior to adopting an 128 ordinance under division (C)(1) of this section, if the 129 municipal corporation intends to apply for exemptions from 130 taxation under section 5709.911 of the Revised Code on behalf of 131 owners of real property located within the proposed incentive 132 district, the legislative authority of a municipal corporation 133 shall conduct a public hearing on the proposed ordinance. Not 134 later than thirty days prior to the public hearing, the 135 legislative authority shall give notice of the public hearing 136 and the proposed ordinance by first class mail to every real 137 property owner whose property is located within the boundaries 138

of	the	proposed	incentive	district	that	is	the	subject	of	the	139
pro	pose	ed ordinar	nce.								140

(3) (a) An ordinance adopted under division (C)(1) of this 141 section shall specify the life of the incentive district and the 142 percentage of the improvements to be exempted, shall designate 143 the public infrastructure improvements made, to be made, or in 144 the process of being made, that benefit or serve, or, once made, 145 will benefit or serve parcels in the district. The ordinance 146 also shall identify one or more specific projects being, or to 147 be, undertaken in the district that place additional demand on 148 the public infrastructure improvements designated in the 149 ordinance. The project identified may, but need not be, the 150 project under division (C)(3)(b) of this section that places 151 real property in use for commercial or industrial purposes. 152 Except as otherwise permitted under that division, the service 153 payments provided for in section 5709.42 of the Revised Code 154 shall be used to finance the designated public infrastructure 155 improvements, for the purpose described in division (D)(1) or, 156 (E), or (F) of this section, or as provided in section 5709.43 157 of the Revised Code. 158

An ordinance adopted under division (C)(1) of this section 159 on or after March 30, 2006, shall not designate police or fire 160 equipment as public infrastructure improvements, and no service 161 payment provided for in section 5709.42 of the Revised Code and 162 received by the municipal corporation under the ordinance shall 163 be used for police or fire equipment.

(b) An ordinance adopted under division (C)(1) of this

section may authorize the use of service payments provided for

in section 5709.42 of the Revised Code for the purpose of

housing renovations within the incentive district, provided that

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the ordinance also designates public infrastructure improvements	169
that benefit or serve the district, and that a project within	170
the district places real property in use for commercial or	171
industrial purposes. Service payments may be used to finance or	172
support loans, deferred loans, and grants to persons for the	173
ourpose of housing renovations within the district. The	174
ordinance shall designate the parcels within the district that	175
are eligible for housing renovation. The ordinance shall state	176
separately the amounts or the percentages of the expected	177
aggregate service payments that are designated for each public	178
infrastructure improvement and for the general purpose of	179
nousing renovations.	180

- (4) Except with the approval of the board of education of 181 each city, local, or exempted village school district within the 182 territory of which the incentive district is or will be located, 183 and subject to division (E) of this section, the life of an 184 incentive district shall not exceed ten years, and the 185 percentage of improvements to be exempted shall not exceed 186 seventy-five per cent. With approval of the board of education, 187 the life of a district may be not more than thirty years, and 188 the percentage of improvements to be exempted may be not more 189 than one hundred per cent. The approval of a board of education 190 shall be obtained in the manner provided in division (D) of this 191 section. 192
- (D) (1) If the ordinance declaring improvements to a parcel 193 to be a public purpose or creating an incentive district 194 specifies that payments in lieu of taxes provided for in section 195 5709.42 of the Revised Code shall be paid to the city, local, or 196 exempted village, and joint vocational school district in which 197 the parcel or incentive district is located in the amount of the 198 taxes that would have been payable to the school district if the 199

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improvements had not been exempted from taxation, the percentage 200 of the improvement that may be exempted from taxation may exceed 201 seventy-five per cent, and the exemption may be granted for up 202 to thirty years, without the approval of the board of education 203 as otherwise required under division (D)(2) of this section. 204

(2) Improvements with respect to a parcel may be exempted 205 from taxation under division (B) of this section, and 206 improvements to parcels within an incentive district may be 207 exempted from taxation under division (C) of this section, for 208 209 up to ten years or, with the approval under this paragraph of the board of education of the city, local, or exempted village 210 school district within which the parcel or district is located, 211 212 for up to thirty years. The percentage of the improvement exempted from taxation may, with such approval, exceed seventy-213 five per cent, but shall not exceed one hundred per cent. Not 214 later than forty-five business days prior to adopting an 215 ordinance under this section declaring improvements to be a 216 public purpose that is subject to approval by a board of 217 education under this division, the legislative authority shall 218 deliver to the board of education a notice stating its intent to 219 adopt an ordinance making that declaration. The notice regarding 220 improvements with respect to a parcel under division (B) of this 221 section shall identify the parcels for which improvements are to 222 be exempted from taxation, provide an estimate of the true value 223 in money of the improvements, specify the period for which the 224 improvements would be exempted from taxation and the percentage 225 of the improvement that would be exempted, and indicate the date 226 on which the legislative authority intends to adopt the 227 ordinance. The notice regarding improvements to parcels within 228 an incentive district under division (C) of this section shall 229 delineate the boundaries of the district, specifically identify 230

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each parcel within the district, identify each anticipated	231
improvement in the district, provide an estimate of the true	232
value in money of each such improvement, specify the life of the	233
district and the percentage of improvements that would be	234
exempted, and indicate the date on which the legislative	235
authority intends to adopt the ordinance. The board of	236
education, by resolution adopted by a majority of the board, may	237
approve the exemption for the period or for the exemption	238
percentage specified in the notice; may disapprove the exemption	239
for the number of years in excess of ten, may disapprove the	240
exemption for the percentage of the improvement to be exempted	241
in excess of seventy-five per cent, or both; or may approve the	242
exemption on the condition that the legislative authority and	243
the board negotiate an agreement providing for compensation to	244
the school district equal in value to a percentage of the amount	245
of taxes exempted in the eleventh and subsequent years of the	246
exemption period or, in the case of exemption percentages in	247
excess of seventy-five per cent, compensation equal in value to	248
a percentage of the taxes that would be payable on the portion	249
of the improvement in excess of seventy-five per cent were that	250
portion to be subject to taxation, or other mutually agreeable	251
compensation. If an agreement is negotiated between the	252
legislative authority and the board to compensate the school	253
district for all or part of the taxes exempted, including	254
agreements for payments in lieu of taxes under section 5709.42	255
of the Revised Code, the legislative authority shall compensate	256
the joint vocational school district within which the parcel or	257
district is located at the same rate and under the same terms	258
received by the city, local, or exempted village school	259
district.	260

(3) The board of education shall certify its resolution to 261

the legislative authority not later than fourteen days prior to	262
the date the legislative authority intends to adopt the	263
ordinance as indicated in the notice. If the board of education	264
and the legislative authority negotiate a mutually acceptable	265
compensation agreement, the ordinance may declare the	266
improvements a public purpose for the number of years specified	267
in the ordinance or, in the case of exemption percentages in	268
excess of seventy-five per cent, for the exemption percentage	269
specified in the ordinance. In either case, if the board and the	270
legislative authority fail to negotiate a mutually acceptable	271
compensation agreement, the ordinance may declare the	272
improvements a public purpose for not more than ten years, and	273
shall not exempt more than seventy-five per cent of the	274
improvements from taxation. If the board fails to certify a	275
resolution to the legislative authority within the time	276
prescribed by this division, the legislative authority thereupon	277
may adopt the ordinance and may declare the improvements a	278
public purpose for up to thirty years, or, in the case of	279
exemption percentages proposed in excess of seventy-five per	280
cent, for the exemption percentage specified in the ordinance.	281
The legislative authority may adopt the ordinance at any time	282
after the board of education certifies its resolution approving	283
the exemption to the legislative authority, or, if the board	284
approves the exemption on the condition that a mutually	285
acceptable compensation agreement be negotiated, at any time	286
after the compensation agreement is agreed to by the board and	287
the legislative authority.	288

(4) If a board of education has adopted a resolution 289
waiving its right to approve exemptions from taxation under this 290
section and the resolution remains in effect, approval of 291
exemptions by the board is not required under division (D) of 292

this section. If a board of education has adopted a resolution 293 allowing a legislative authority to deliver the notice required 294 under division (D) of this section fewer than forty-five 295 business days prior to the legislative authority's adoption of 296 the ordinance, the legislative authority shall deliver the 297 notice to the board not later than the number of days prior to 298 such adoption as prescribed by the board in its resolution. If a 299 board of education adopts a resolution waiving its right to 300 approve agreements or shortening the notification period, the 301 board shall certify a copy of the resolution to the legislative 302 authority. If the board of education rescinds such a resolution, 303 it shall certify notice of the rescission to the legislative 304 authority. 305

- (E)(1) If a proposed ordinance under division (C)(1) of 313 this section exempts improvements with respect to a parcel 314 within an incentive district for more than ten years, or the 315 percentage of the improvement exempted from taxation exceeds 316 seventy-five per cent, not later than forty-five business days 317 prior to adopting the ordinance the legislative authority of the 318 municipal corporation shall deliver to the board of county 319 commissioners of the county within which the incentive district 320 will be located a notice that states its intent to adopt an 321 ordinance creating an incentive district. The notice shall 322 include a copy of the proposed ordinance, identify the parcels 323

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for which improvements are to be exempted from taxation, provide

an estimate of the true value in money of the improvements,

specify the period of time for which the improvements would be

exempted from taxation, specify the percentage of the

improvements that would be exempted from taxation, and indicate

the date on which the legislative authority intends to adopt the

ordinance.

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(2) The board of county commissioners, by resolution 331 adopted by a majority of the board, may object to the exemption 332 for the number of years in excess of ten, may object to the 333 exemption for the percentage of the improvement to be exempted 334 in excess of seventy-five per cent, or both. If the board of 335 county commissioners objects, the board may negotiate a mutually 336 acceptable compensation agreement with the legislative 337 authority. In no case shall the compensation provided to the 338 board exceed the property taxes forgone due to the exemption. If 339 the board of county commissioners objects, and the board and 340 legislative authority fail to negotiate a mutually acceptable 341 compensation agreement, the ordinance adopted under division (C) 342 (1) of this section shall provide to the board compensation in 343 the eleventh and subsequent years of the exemption period equal 344 in value to not more than fifty per cent of the taxes that would 345 be payable to the county or, if the board's objection includes 346 an objection to an exemption percentage in excess of seventy-347 five per cent, compensation equal in value to not more than 348 fifty per cent of the taxes that would be payable to the county, 349 on the portion of the improvement in excess of seventy-five per 350 cent, were that portion to be subject to taxation. The board of 351 county commissioners shall certify its resolution to the 352 legislative authority not later than thirty days after receipt 353 of the notice. 354

(3) If the board of county commissioners does not object	355
or fails to certify its resolution objecting to an exemption	356
within thirty days after receipt of the notice, the legislative	357
authority may adopt the ordinance, and no compensation shall be	358
provided to the board of county commissioners. If the board	359
timely certifies its resolution objecting to the ordinance, the	360
legislative authority may adopt the ordinance at any time after	361
a mutually acceptable compensation agreement is agreed to by the	362
board and the legislative authority, or, if no compensation	363
agreement is negotiated, at any time after the legislative	364
authority agrees in the proposed ordinance to provide	365
compensation to the board of fifty per cent of the taxes that	366
would be payable to the county in the eleventh and subsequent	367
years of the exemption period or on the portion of the	368
improvement in excess of seventy-five per cent, were that	369
portion to be subject to taxation.	370

(F) Service payments in lieu of taxes that are 371 attributable to any amount by which the effective tax rate of 372 either a renewal levy with an increase or a replacement levy 373 exceeds the effective tax rate of the levy renewed or replaced, 374 or that are attributable to an additional levy, for a levy 375 authorized by the voters for any of the following purposes on or 376 after January 1, 2006, and which are provided pursuant to an 377 ordinance creating an incentive district under division (C)(1) 378 of this section that is adopted on or after January 1, 2006, 379 shall be distributed to the appropriate taxing authority as 380 required under division (C) of section 5709.42 of the Revised 381 Code in an amount equal to the amount of taxes from that 382 additional levy or from the increase in the effective tax rate 383 of such renewal or replacement levy that would have been payable 384 to that taxing authority from the following levies were it not 385

for the exemption authorized under division (C) of this section:	386
(1) A tax levied under division (L) of section 5705.19 or	387
section 5705.191 or 5705.222 of the Revised Code for community	388
developmental disabilities programs and services pursuant to	389
Chapter 5126. of the Revised Code;	390
(2) A tax levied under division (Y) of section 5705.19 of	391
the Revised Code for providing or maintaining senior citizens	392
services or facilities;	393
(3) A tax levied under section 5705.22 of the Revised Code	394
for county hospitals;	395
(4) A tax levied by a joint-county district or by a county	396
under section 5705.19, 5705.191, or 5705.221 of the Revised Code	397
for alcohol, drug addiction, and mental health services or	398
facilities;	399
(5) A tax levied under section 5705.23 of the Revised Code	400
for library purposes;	401
(6) A tax levied under section 5705.24 of the Revised Code	402
for the support of children services and the placement and care	403
of children;	404
(7) A tax levied under division (Z) of section 5705.19 of	405
the Revised Code for the provision and maintenance of zoological	406
park services and facilities under section 307.76 of the Revised	407
Code;	408
(8) A tax levied under section 511.27 or division (H) of	409
section 5705.19 of the Revised Code for the support of township	410
park districts;	411
(9) A tax levied under division (A), (F), or (H) of	412
section 5705.19 of the Revised Code for parks and recreational	413

purposes of a joint recreation district organized pursuant to	414
division (B) of section 755.14 of the Revised Code;	415
(10) A tax levied under section 1545.20 or 1545.21 of the	416
Revised Code for park district purposes;	417
(11) A tax levied under section 5705.191 of the Revised	418
Code for the purpose of making appropriations for public	419
assistance; human or social services; public relief; public	420
welfare; public health and hospitalization; and support of	421
general hospitals;	422
(12) A tax levied under section 3709.29 of the Revised	423
Code for a general health district program;	424
(13) A tax levied by a township under section 505.39,	425
division (I) of section 5705.19, or division (JJ) of section	426
5705.19 of the Revised Code to the extent the proceeds are used	427
for the purposes described in division (I) of that section, for	428
the purpose of funding fire, emergency medical, and ambulance	429
services as described in that section and those divisions.	430
Division (F)(13) of this section applies only if the township	431
levying the tax provides fire, emergency medical, or ambulance	432
services in the incentive district. The board of township	433
trustees may, by resolution, waive the application of this	434
division or negotiate with the municipal corporation that	435
created the district for a lesser amount of payments in lieu of	436
taxes.	437
(G) An exemption from taxation granted under this section	438
commences with the tax year specified in the ordinance so long	439
as the year specified in the ordinance commences after the	440
effective date of the ordinance. If the ordinance specifies a	441
year commencing before the effective date of the resolution or	442

specifies no year whatsoever, the exemption commences with the	443
tax year in which an exempted improvement first appears on the	444
tax list and duplicate of real and public utility property and	445
that commences after the effective date of the ordinance. In	446
lieu of stating a specific year, the ordinance may provide that	447
the exemption commences in the tax year in which the value of an	448
improvement exceeds a specified amount or in which the	449
construction of one or more improvements is completed, provided	450
that such tax year commences after the effective date of the	451
ordinance. With respect to the exemption of improvements to	452
parcels under division (B) of this section, the ordinance may	453
allow for the exemption to commence in different tax years on a	454
parcel-by-parcel basis, with a separate exemption term specified	455
for each parcel.	456

Except as otherwise provided in this division, the 457 exemption ends on the date specified in the ordinance as the 458 date the improvement ceases to be a public purpose or the 459 incentive district expires, or ends on the date on which the 460 public infrastructure improvements and housing renovations are 461 paid in full from the municipal public improvement tax increment 462 equivalent fund established under division (A) of section 463 5709.43 of the Revised Code, whichever occurs first. The 464 exemption of an improvement with respect to a parcel or within 465 an incentive district may end on a later date, as specified in 466 the ordinance, if the legislative authority and the board of 467 education of the city, local, or exempted village school 468 district within which the parcel or district is located have 469 entered into a compensation agreement under section 5709.82 of 470 the Revised Code with respect to the improvement, and the board 471 of education has approved the term of the exemption under 472 division (D)(2) of this section, but in no case shall the 473

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improvement be exempted from taxation for more than thirty

years. Exemptions shall be claimed and allowed in the same

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manner as in the case of other real property exemptions. If an

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exemption status changes during a year, the procedure for the

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apportionment of the taxes for that year is the same as in the

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case of other changes in tax exemption status during the year.

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- (H) Additional municipal financing of public 480 infrastructure improvements and housing renovations may be 481 provided by any methods that the municipal corporation may 482 483 otherwise use for financing such improvements or renovations. If the municipal corporation issues bonds or notes to finance the 484 public infrastructure improvements and housing renovations and 485 pledges money from the municipal public improvement tax 486 increment equivalent fund to pay the interest on and principal 487 of the bonds or notes, the bonds or notes are not subject to 488 Chapter 133. of the Revised Code. 489
- (I) The municipal corporation, not later than fifteen days 490 after the adoption of an ordinance under this section, shall 491 submit to the director of development services a copy of the 492 ordinance. On or before the thirty-first day of March of each 493 year, the municipal corporation shall submit a status report to 494 the director of development services. The report shall indicate, 495 in the manner prescribed by the director, the progress of the 496 project during each year that an exemption remains in effect, 497 including a summary of the receipts from service payments in 498 lieu of taxes; expenditures of money from the funds created 499 under section 5709.43 of the Revised Code; a description of the 500 public infrastructure improvements and housing renovations 501 financed with such expenditures; and a quantitative summary of 502 changes in employment and private investment resulting from each 503 project. 504

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(J) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit	505
a legislative authority from declaring to be a public purpose	506
improvements with respect to more than one parcel.	507
(K) If a parcel is located in a new community district in	508
which the new community authority imposes a community	509
development charge on the basis of rentals received from leases	510
of real property as described in division (L)(2) of section	511
349.01 of the Revised Code, the parcel may not be exempted from	512
taxation under this section.	513
Section 2. That existing section 5709.40 of the Revised	514
Code is hereby repealed.	515
Section 3. The amendment by this act of section 5709.40 of	516
the Revised Code applies to service payments in lieu of taxes	517
charged and payable for tax year 2017 or thereafter.	518
Section 4. Section 5709.40 of the Revised Code is	519
presented in this act as a composite of the section as amended	520
by Sub. H.B. 158, Sub. H.B. 413, and Am. Sub. H.B. 483, all of	521
the 131st General Assembly. The General Assembly, applying the	522
principle stated in division (B) of section 1.52 of the Revised	523
Code that amendments are to be harmonized if reasonably capable	524
of simultaneous operation, finds that the composite is the	525
resulting version of the section in effect prior to the	526
effective date of the section as presented in this act	527