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A BILL FOR AN ACT

101 CONCERNING THE INCLUSION OF AGRICULTURAL LAND IN URBAN

102 RENEWAL AREAS.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <u>http://leg.colorado.gov</u>.)

Currently, an urban renewal area cannot contain agricultural land unless the land meets an exception. One exception for including agricultural land is that the land was included in an approved urban renewal plan prior to June 1, 2010.

The bill updates the exception to specify that agricultural land may be included in an urban renewal area if the urban renewal plan was SENATE Amended 2nd Reading April 14, 2023 originally approved or modified to include the agricultural land prior to June 1, 2010, and if the land still remains in the same urban renewal plan.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado: 1 2 SECTION 1. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 31-25-107, amend 3 (1)(c)(II) introductory portion and (1)(c)(II)(E) as follows: 4 31-25-107. Approval of urban renewal plans by local 5 governing body - definitions. (1) (c) (II) Notwithstanding any other 6 provision of this part 1, no AN area that has been designated as an urban 7 renewal area shall NOT contain any agricultural land unless: 8 (E) The agricultural land was IS included in an approved EXISTING 9 urban renewal plan THAT WAS ORIGINALLY APPROVED TO INCLUDE, OR 10 THAT WAS SUBSTANTIALLY MODIFIED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (7) OF 11 THIS SECTION TO INCLUDE, THE AGRICULTURAL LAND prior to June 1, 12 2010, AND THE AGRICULTURAL LAND REMAINS IN THE EXISTING URBAN 13 **RENEWAL PLAN.** 14 **SECTION 2.** Applicability. This act applies to urban renewal 15 plans approved on or after the effective date of this act. 16 **SECTION 3.** Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds, 17 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate 18 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.