

SB1309



104TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Introduced 1/28/2025, by Sen. Michael W. Halpin

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

65 ILCS 115/10-5.3

Amends the River Edge Redevelopment Zone Act. Provides that the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity may certify one additional pilot River Edge Redevelopment Zone in the City of Sterling.

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A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning local government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The River Edge Redevelopment Zone Act is
5 amended by changing Section 10-5.3 as follows:

6 (65 ILCS 115/10-5.3)

7 Sec. 10-5.3. Certification of River Edge Redevelopment
8 Zones.

9 (a) Approval of designated River Edge Redevelopment Zones
10 shall be made by the Department by certification of the
11 designating ordinance. The Department shall promptly issue a
12 certificate for each zone upon its approval. The certificate
13 shall be signed by the Director of the Department, shall make
14 specific reference to the designating ordinance, which shall
15 be attached thereto, and shall be filed in the office of the
16 Secretary of State. A certified copy of the River Edge
17 Redevelopment Zone Certificate, or a duplicate original
18 thereof, shall be recorded in the office of the recorder of
19 deeds of the county in which the River Edge Redevelopment Zone
20 lies.

21 (b) A River Edge Redevelopment Zone shall be effective
22 upon its certification. The Department shall transmit a copy
23 of the certification to the Department of Revenue, and to the

1 designating municipality. Upon certification of a River Edge
2 Redevelopment Zone, the terms and provisions of the
3 designating ordinance shall be in effect, and may not be
4 amended or repealed except in accordance with Section 10-5.4.

5 (c) A River Edge Redevelopment Zone shall be in effect for
6 the period stated in the certificate, which shall in no event
7 exceed 30 calendar years. Zones shall terminate at midnight of
8 December 31 of the final calendar year of the certified term,
9 except as provided in Section 10-5.4.

10 (d) In calendar years 2006 and 2007, the Department may
11 certify one pilot River Edge Redevelopment Zone in the City of
12 East St. Louis, one pilot River Edge Redevelopment Zone in the
13 City of Rockford, and one pilot River Edge Redevelopment Zone
14 in the City of Aurora.

15 In calendar year 2009, the Department may certify one
16 pilot River Edge Redevelopment Zone in the City of Elgin.

17 On or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of
18 the 97th General Assembly, the Department may certify one
19 additional pilot River Edge Redevelopment Zone in the City of
20 Peoria.

21 On or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of
22 the 103rd General Assembly, the Department may certify 2
23 additional pilot River Edge Redevelopment Zones, including one
24 in the City of Joliet and one in the City of Kankakee.

25 On or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of
26 the 103rd General Assembly, the Department may certify 7

1 additional pilot River Edge Redevelopment Zones, including one
2 in the City of East Moline, one in the City of Moline, one in
3 the City of Ottawa, one in the City of LaSalle, one in the City
4 of Peru, one in the City of Rock Island, and one in the City of
5 Quincy.

6 On or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of
7 the 104th General Assembly, the Department may certify one
8 additional pilot River Edge Redevelopment Zone in the City of
9 Sterling.

10 After certifying the additional pilot River Edge
11 Redevelopment Zones authorized by the above paragraphs, the
12 Department may not certify any additional River Edge
13 Redevelopment Zones, but it may amend and rescind
14 certifications of existing River Edge Redevelopment Zones in
15 accordance with Section 10-5.4, except that no River Edge
16 Redevelopment Zone may be extended on or after the effective
17 date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly. Each
18 River Edge Redevelopment Zone in existence on the effective
19 date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly shall
20 continue until its scheduled termination under this Act,
21 unless the Zone is decertified sooner. At the time of its term
22 expiration each River Edge Redevelopment Zone will become an
23 open enterprise zone, available for the previously designated
24 area or a different area to compete for designation as an
25 enterprise zone. No preference for designation as a Zone will
26 be given to the previously designated area.

1 (e) A municipality in which a River Edge Redevelopment
2 Zone has been certified must submit to the Department, within
3 60 days after the certification, a plan for encouraging the
4 participation by minority persons, women, persons with
5 disabilities, and veterans in the zone. The Department may
6 assist the municipality in developing and implementing the
7 plan. The terms "minority person", "woman", and "person with a
8 disability" have the meanings set forth under Section 2 of the
9 Business Enterprise for Minorities, Women, and Persons with
10 Disabilities Act. "Veteran" means an Illinois resident who is
11 a veteran as defined in subsection (h) of Section 1491 of Title
12 10 of the United States Code.

13 (Source: P.A. 103-9, eff. 6-7-23; 103-595, eff. 6-26-24.)