CHAPTER NO. (1)

HOUSE BILL NO. 669

INTRODUCED BY RAMIREZ, PORTER

IN THE HOUSE

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February 8, 1979		-	Introduced and referred to Committee on Taxation.
March 19, 1979			Committee recommend bill do pass as amended. Report adopted.
March 20, 1979			Printed and placed on members' desks.
March 21, 1979			Second reading, do pass.
March 22, 1979			Considered correctly engrossed.
March 23, 1979			Third reading, passed. Transmitted to second house.
	IN	THE SEN	ATE
March 24, 1979			Introduced and referred to Committee on Taxation.
April 7, 1979			Committee recommend bill be concurred in as amended. Report adopted.
April 9, 1979			Second reading, concurred in.
April 11, 1979			Third reading, concurred in as amended.
	IN	THE HOU	JSE
April 12, 1979			Returned from second house. Concurred in as amended.
April 13, 1979			Second reading, amendments adopted.
April 16, 1979			Third reading, amendments adopted. Sent to enrolling.

Reported correctly enrolled.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCING OF URBAN RENEWAL. PROJECTS; REVISING THE METHODS OF CALCULATING AND USING TAX INCREMENTS; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-15-4260. 7-15-4283. 7-15-4285 THROUGH 7-15-4287. 7-15-4289. 7-15-4290. AND 7-15-4301. MCA; AND REPEALING SECTION 7-15-4291. MCA."

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

Section 1. Section 7-15-4260, MCA, is amended to read:

"7-15-4260. Exemption from levy and sale for certain property. All property of a municipality, including funds, owned or held by it for the purposes of this part and part 43 shall be exempt from levy and sale by virtue of an execution, and no execution or other judicial process shall issue against the same nor shall judgment against a municipality be a charge or lien upon such property; provided, however, that the provisions of this section shall not apply to or limit the right of obligees to pursue any remedies for the enforcement of any pledge or lien given pursuant to this part or part 43 by a municipality on its and urban renewal project or the rents, fees, grants, or revenues derived from urban-renewal these projects."

2	#7-15-4283. Definitions related to tax increment
3	financing. For purposes of 7-15-4282 through 7-15-4292, the
4	following definitions apply unless otherwise provided or
5	indicated by the context:
6	(1) "Actual taxable value" means the taxable value of
7	ell taxable property within-en-urban-renewal-area at any
8	time: as calculated from the assessment roll last equalized.
9	(2) "Base taxable value" means the actual taxable
10	' value of all taxable property within an urban renewal area
11	prior to the effective date of a tax increment financing
12	provision. This value may be adjusted as provided in
13	7-15-4287 or [section 9].
14	(2)(3) "Incremental taxable value" means the amount:
15	if any, by which the actual taxable value at any time
16	exceeds the original base taxable value of all property
17	within an urban renewal area subject to taxation.
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Section 2. Section 7-15-4283. MCA. is amended to read:

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(4) "Tax increment" means the collections realized

from extending the tax levies, expressed in mills, of all

taxing bodies in which the urban renewal area or a part

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- (5) "Tax increment provision" means a provision for the segregation and application of tax increments as authorized by 7-15-4282 through 7-15-4292.
- 5 (6) "Taxes" means all taxes levied by a taxing body 6 against property on an advalorem basis.
 - (7) "Taxing body" means any city, town, county, school district, or other political subdivision or governmental unit of the state, including the state, which levies taxes against property within the urban renewal area."
 - Section 3. Section 7-15-4285. NCA+ is amended to read:

 "7-15-4285. Determination and report of original, actual, and incremental taxable values. The officer or officers responsible for assessing and determining the taxable value of the taxable property located within the urban renewal area shall, immediately upon receipt of the tax increment provision and each year thereafter, calculate and report to the municipality and to any other affected taxing body the original base, actual, and incremental taxable values of such property."
 - Section 4. Section 7-15-4286, MCA, is amended to read:

 "7-15-4286. Procedure to determine and disburse tax
 increment. (1) Hill rates of taxing bodies for taxes levied
 after the effective date of the tax increment provision
 shall be calculated on the basis of the sum of the taxable

value, as shown by the last equalized assessment roll, of
all taxable property located outside the urban renewal area
and the original base taxable value of all taxable property
located within the urban renewal area. The mill rate so
determined shall be levied against the sum of the actual
taxable value of all taxable property located within as well
as outside the urban renewal area.

- (2) (a) The tax increment, if any, received in each year from the levy of the combined mill rates of all the affected taxing bodies against the incremental taxable value within the urban renewal area shall be paid into a special fund held by the treasurer of the municipality and used as provided in 7-15-4282 through 7-15-4292.
- (b) The balance of the taxes collected in each year shall be paid to each of the taxing bodies as otherwise provided by law.**

Section 5. Section 7-15-4287. MCA, is amended to read:

"7-15-4287. Provision for use of portion of to increment. (1) At the time of adoption of a tax increment provision or at any time subsequent thereto, the governing body of the municipality may provide that only a portion of the tax increment from the incremental taxable value shall be segregated—os—provided—in-7-15-4284—through-7-15-4286* released from segregation—by an adjustment of the base taxable value. Provided that:

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1	(a) all principal and interest them due on bonds for
2	which the tax increment has been pledged has been fully
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4	(b) the tax increment resulting from the smaller

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(b) the tax increment resulting from the smaller incremental value is determined by the governing body to be sufficient to pay all principal and interest due later on the bonds.

(2) The portion—so adjusted base value determined under subsection (1) shall be reported by the clerk to the officers and taxing bodies to which the increment provision is reported.

tetermining the mill rates of affected taxing bodiesy—the texable—values—against—which—the mill rates ore levied—and the—tex—increment—to—be—paid—to—the—municipalityy—the original——texable——value——shall—be—incremend—and—the incremental texable—value—shall—be—decreased—unless the tax increment resulting from the adjustment is determined to—be insufficient—for—this purpose. In this case, the governing body must reduce the base value—to—the—amount—originally determined—or—to—a higher amount necessary to provide tax increments sufficient to pay all principal and interest—due on the bonds."

Section 6. Section 7-15-4289, MCA, is amended to read:

#7-15-4289. Use of tax increments for bond payments.

2 principal of premiums, if any, and interest on bonds which the municipality may issue pursuant--to--7-15-4301--for--the purposes--listed--in--7-15-4288 for the purpose of providing funds to pay such costs." Section 7. Section 7-15-4290. MCA. is amended to read: 7 #7-15-4290. Use of property taxes for payment of bonds. (1) Property-taxes-for-the-sevent-of-sil-bonds-of each-taxing-bodyy-other-than-tax-increment-bonds--authorized 10 in-this-perty-must-be-levied-against-all-property-within-the 11 texinq--body--subject--to-texation-without-limitation-by-the 12 provisions-of-7-15-4282-through-7-15-4292* The tax increment 13 may be pledged for the payment of revenue bonds, issued for 14 urban renewal projects or of general obligation bonds: 15 revenue bonds, or special assessment bonds issued to pay 16 urban renewal costs described in 7-15-5289. Any 17 municipality issuing such bonds may, by resolution of its 18 governing body, enter into a covenant for the security of 19 the bondbolders, detailing the calculation and adjustment of the tax increment and the taxable value on which it is 20 21 based.

The tax increment may be pledged to the payment of the

(2) No property taxes, except the tax increment

derived from property within the urban renewal area and tax

collections used to pay for services provided to the

municipality by an urban renewal project, may be applied to

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the payment of bonds issued pursuant to 7-15-4301 for which a tax increment has been pledged.**

- (a) issue bonds from time to time in its discretione to finance the undertaking of any urban renewal project under this part and part 42. including, without limiting the generality thereof, the payment of principal and interest upon any advances for surveys and plans for urban renewal projects; and
- (b) issue refunding bonds for the payment or retirement of such bonds previously issued by it-
- (2) Such bonds shall not pledge the general credit of the municipality and shall be made payable, as to both principal and interest, solely from the income, proceeds, revenues, and funds of the municipality derived from or held in connection with its undertaking and carrying out of urban renewal projects under this part and part 42, including the tax increment received and pledged by the municipality pursuant to 7-15-4282 through 7-15-4292. Payment of such bonds, both as to principal and interest, may be further secured by a pledge of any loan, grant, or contribution from the federal government or other source in aid of any urban

renewal projects of the municipality under this part and
part 42 or by a mortgage on all or part of any such
projects.

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4 (3) Bonds issued under this section shall be authorized by resolution or ordinance of the local governing body.**

NEW SECTION. Section 9. Adjustment of base taxable value following change in statutes. If the base taxable value of an urban renewal area is affected after its original determination by a statutory change in the method of appraising property, the tax rate applied to it, or the tax exemption status of property, the governing body of the municipality may request the department of revenue or its agents to calculate the base taxable value as it would have been on the date of the original determination had the statutory changes been in effect on that date. The governing body may adjust the base taxable value to that value reported by the department of revenue, under the provisions of 7-15-4287.

20 Section 10. Repealer. Section 7-15-4291, MCA, is repealed.

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FISCAL NOTE

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In	compliance with a written	request received	February 12	, 19 79,	there is hereby	submitted a Fiscal No	te
for	House Bill 669	pursuan	t to Chapter 53, Laws of	Montana, 1965	5 - Thirty-Ninth I	Legislative Assembly.	
8a	kground information used in	developing this Fig	scal Note is available from	the Office of	Budget and Prog	ram Planning, to membe	rs
of	the Legislature upon request	t.					

DESCRIPTION

This proposed bill relates to financing of urban renewal projects; revising the methods of calculating and using tax increments.

ASSUMPTIONS

This proposal would have no fiscal impact on revenues. It allows the increments for tax increment financing to be increased.

FISCAL IMPACT

No Fiscal Impact.

(Prepared by the Department of Revenue)

BUDGET DIRECTOR

Office of Budget and Program Planning

Date: 4/13/79

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4	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT RELATING TO THE
5	CREATION AND FINANCING OF URBAN RENEWAL PROJECTS; REVISING
6	THE HETHODS OF CREATING URBAN RENEWAL PLANS AND CALCULATING
7	AND USING TAX INCREMENTS; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-15-4216.
8	7-15-4217. 7-15-4221. 7-15-4260. 7-15-4283. 7-15-4285
9	THROUGH 7-15-4287, 7-15-4289, 7-15-4290, AND 7-15-4301, MCA;
10	AND REPEALING SECTION 7-15-4291. MCA: AND PROVIDING AN
11	EFFECTIVE_DATE.*
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13	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
14	SECTION 1. SECTION 7-15-4216. NCA. IS AMENDED TO READ:
15	#7-15-4216. Requirements for approval of urban renewal
16	plans and projects. (1) The local governing body shall not
17	approve on urban renewal plan until a comprehensive plan or
18	parts of such plan for an area which would include an urban
19	renewal area for the municipality have been prepared.
20	(2) A municipality shall not approve an urban renewal
21	project for an urban renewal area unless the local governing
22	body has by resolution determined such area to be a blighted
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SECTION 2. SECTION 1-15-4217. MCA. IS AMENDED TO READ:

6 #7-15-4217. Criteria for approval of urban renewal

7 project. Following the hearing required by 7-15-4214: the

8 local governing body mays by resolutions approve an urban

9 renewal project if it finds that:

10 (1) a workable and feasible plan exists for making
11 available adequate housing for the persons who may be
12 displaced by the project;

13 (2) the urban renewal plan conforms to the 14 comprehensive plan or parts thereof for the municipality as 15 a whole:

16 (3) the urban renewal plan will afford maximum
17 opportunity, consistent with the sound needs of the
18 municipality as a whole, for the rehabilitation or
19 redevelopment of the urban renewal area by private
20 enterprise; and

21 (4) a sound and adequate financial program exists for
22 the financing of said project.**

23 <u>SECTION 3. SECTION 7-15-6221. MCA. IS AMENDED TO READ:</u>
24 #7-15-4221. Modification of urban renewal project
25 plan. <u>(1)</u> An urban renewal project plan may be modified at

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1	any time by the local governing body. If modified after th	e
2	lease or sale by the municipality of real property in th	æ
3	urban renewal project area, such modification shall b	e
•	subject to such rights at law or in equity as a lessee o	r
5	purchaser or his successor or successors in interest may b	•
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- 7 (2) An urban renewal plan may be modified by
 6 resolution.
- 9 (3) All urban renewal plans approved by resolution
 10 prior to [the effective date of this act] are hereby
 11 validated.
 - (4) A plan may be modified by:

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- 13 <u>fal the procedure set forth in subsections 7-15-4212</u>
 14 <u>through 7-15-4219 with respect to adoption of an urban</u>
 15 <u>renewal plans</u>
- 16 the procedure set forth in the plane"
 - Section 4. Section 7-15-4260, MCA, is amended to read:

 "7-15-4260. Exemption from levy and sale for certain
 property. All property of a municipality, including funds,
 owned or held by it for the purposes of this part and part
 43 shall be exempt from levy and sale by virtue of an
 execution, and no execution or other judicial process shall
 issue against the same nor shall judgment against a
 municipality be a charge or lien upon such property;
 provided, however, that the provisions of this section shall

not apply to or limit the right of obligees to pursue any remedies for the enforcement of any pledge or lien given pursuant to this part or part 43 by a municipality on its an urban renewal project or the rents, fees, grants, or revenues derived from urban renewal these projects.

- (1) "Actual taxable value" means the taxable value of all taxable property within-an-urban--renewal--area at any times as calculated from the assessment roll last equalized.
- 14 <u>[2] "Base taxable value" means the actual taxable</u>
 15 <u>value of all taxable property within an urban renewal area</u>
 16 <u>prior to the effective date of a tax increment financing</u>
 17 <u>provision. This value may be adjusted as provided in</u>

7-15-4287 or [section 9].

- †2†(3) "Incremental texable value" means the amount, if any, by which the actual taxable value at any time exceeds the original base taxable value of all property within an urban renewal area subject to taxation.
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- (4) "Tax increment" means the collections realized from extending the tax levies, expressed in mills, of all taxing bodies in which the urban renewal area or a part thereof is located against the incremental taxable value.
- (5) "Tax increment provision" means a provision for the segregation and application of tax increments as authorized by 7-15-4282 through 7-15-4292.
- (6) "Taxes" means all taxes levied by a taxing body against property on an ad valorem basis.
- (7) "Taxing body" means any city: town: county: school district: or other political subdivision or governmental unit of the state: including the state: which levies taxes against property within the urban renewal area."

Section 6. Section 7-15-4285, MCA, is amended to read:

"7-15-4285. Determination and report of original, actual, and incremental taxable values. The officer or officers responsible for assessing and determining the taxable value of the taxable property located within the urban renewal area shall, immediately upon receipt of the tax increment provision and each year thereafter, calculate and report to the municipality and to any other affected taxing body the original base, actual, and incremental taxable values of such property."

Section 7. Section 7-15-4286, MCA, is amended to read: "7-15-4286. Procedure to determine and disburse tax increment. (1) Mill rates of taxing bodies for taxes levied after the effective date of the tax increment provision shall be calculated on the basis of the sum of the taxable value, as shown by the last equalized assessment roll, of all taxable property located outside the urban renewal area and the original base taxable value of all taxable property located within the urban renewal area. The mill rate so determined shall be levied against the sum of the actual taxable value of all taxable property located within as well as outside the urban renewal area.

- (2) (a) The 'tax increments if anys received in each year from the levy of the combined mill rates of all the affected taxing bodies against the incremental taxable value within the urban renewal area shall be paid into a special fund held by the treasurer of the municipality and used as provided in 7-15-4282 through 7-15-4292.
- (b) The balance of the taxes collected in each year shall be paid to each of the taxing bodies as otherwise provided by law-#
- Section 8. Section 7-15-4287, MCA, is amended to read:

 "7-15-4287. Provision for use of portion of tax

 increment. (1) At the time of adoption of a tax increment

 provision or at any time subsequent thereto, the governing

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1	body of the municipality may provide that enly a portion of
2	the tax increment from the incremental taxable value shall
3	be segregated-as-provided-in7-15-4284through7-15-4286:
4	released from segregation by an adjustment of the base
5	taxable values provided that:
6	(a) all principal and interest then due on bonds for
7	which the tax increment has been pledged has been fully
8	paid: and
9	(b) the tax increment resulting from the smaller
10	incremental value is determined by the governing body to be
u	sufficient to pay all principal and interest due later on
ız	the bends.
13	(2) The portionso adjusted base value determined
14	under subsection (1) shall be reported by the clerk to the
15	officers and taxing bodies to which the increment provision
16	is reported.
7	(2)[3] Thereafter, the adjusted base value is used in
18	determining the mill rates of affected taxing bodies-the
19	taxable-values-against-which-the-mill-rates-areleviedand
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insufficient for this purpose. In this case: the governing body must reduce the base value to the amount originally

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3	on the bonds.
4	Section 9. Section 7-15-4289, MCA, is amended to read:
5	#7-15-4289. Use of tax increments for bond payments.
6	The tax increment may be pledged to the payment of the
7	principal of premiums, if any, and interest on bonds which
8	the municipality may issue pursuant-to-7-15-4301-for-the
9	purposes-listed in-7-15-4288 for the purpose of providing
.0	funds to pay such costs.
. l	Section 10. Section 7-15-4290. MCA, is amended to
.2	read:
.3	#7-15-4290. Use of property taxes for payment of
.4	bonds. (I) Property-taxes-for-the-payment-of-all-bonds-of
5	each-texing-bodyother-than-tex-increment-bondsauthorized
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9	may be pladged for the payment of revenue bonds issued for
0	urban renewal projects or of general obligation bonds.
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2	urban renewal costs described in 7-15-4289. Any
3	municipality issuing such bonds mays by resolution of its
4	governing body: enter into a covenant for the security of
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- (2) No property taxes, except the tax increment derived from property within the urban renewal area and tax collections used to pay for services provided to the municipality by an urban renewal project, may be applied to the payment of bonds issued pursuant to 7-15-4301 for which a tax increment has been pledged.
- 9 Section 11. Section 7-15-4301, MCA, is amended to
 - *7-15-4301. Authorization to issue urban renewal bonds and refunding bonds. (1) A municipality shall have the power to:
 - (a) issue bonds from time to time in its discretions to finance the undertaking of any urban renewal project under this part and part 42. including, without limiting the generality thereof, the payment of principal and interest upon any advances for surveys and plans for urban renewal projects; and
 - (b) issue refunding bonds for the payment or retirement of such bonds previously issued by it.
 - (2) Such bonds shall not pledge the general credit of the municipality and shall be made payable, as to both principal and interest, solely from the income, proceeds, revenues, and funds of the municipality derived from or held

- 1 in connection with its undertaking and carrying out of urban renewal projects under this part and part 42, including the 2 tax increment received and pledged by the municipality pursuant to 7-15-4282 through 7-15-4292. Payment of such bonds, both as to principal and interest, may be further 5 secured by a pledge of any loan, grant, or contribution from 6 7 the federal government or other source in aid of any urban renewal projects of the municipality under this part and 9 part 42 or by a mortgage on all or part of any such 10 projects.
- 11 (3) Bonds issued under this section shall be
 12 authorized by resolution or ordinance of the local governing
 13 body.**
 - NEW SECTION. Section 12. Adjustment of base taxable value following change in statutes. If the base taxable value of an urban renewal area is affected after its original determination by a statutory change in the method of appraising property, the tax rate applied to it, or the tax exemption status of property, the governing body of the municipality may request the department of revenue or its agents to calculate the base taxable value as it would have been on the date of the original determination had the statutory changes been in effect on that date. The governing body may adjust the base taxable value to that value reported by the department of revenue, under the provisions

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- 1 of 7-15-4287.
- Section 13. Repealer. Section 7-15-4291. MCA. is
- 3 repealed.
- 4 SECTION 14. EFFECTIVE DATE. THIS ACT IS EFFECTIVE ON
- PASSAGE AND APPROVAL.

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7	AND USING TAX INCREMENTS; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-15-4216
8	7-15-4217. 7-15-4221. 7-15-4260. 7-15-4283. 7-15-428
9	THROUGH 7-15-4287, 7-15-4289, 7-15-4290, AND 7-15-4301, MCA
10	AND REPEALING SECTION 7-15-4291. MCA: AND PROVIDING A
11	EFFECTIVE_DATE.*
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13	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
14	SECTION 1. SECTION 7-15-4216: MCA. IS AMENDED TO READ
15	#7-15-4216. Requirements for approval of urban renewal
16	plans and projects. (1) The local governing body shall not
17	approve an urban renewal plan until a comprehensive plan or
18	parts of such plan for an area which would include an urban
19	renewal area for the municipality have been prepared.
20	(2) A municipality shall not approve an urban renewa
21	project for an urban renewal area unless the local governing
22	body has by resolution determined such area to be a blighted
23	area and designated such area as appropriate for an urban

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resolution.
(4) All urban renewal plans approved by resolution
prior to [the effective date of this act] are hereby
validated."
SECTION 2. SECTION 7-15-4217. NCA. IS AMENDED TO READ:
*7-15-4217. Criteria for approval of urban renewal
project. Following the hearing required by 7-15-4214, the
local governing body mays by resolutions approve an urban
renewal project if it finds that:
(1) a workable and feasible plan exists for making
available adequate housing for the persons who may be
displaced by the project;
(2) the urban renewal plan conforms to the
Comprehensive plam or parts thereof for the municipality as
a whole;
(3) the urban renewal plan will afford maximum
opportunity, consistent with the sound needs of the
municipality as a whole for the rehabilitation or
redevelopment of the urban renewal area by private
enterprise; and
(4) a sound and adequate financial program exists for
the financing of said project.
SECTION 3. SECTION 7-15-4221. MCA. IS AMENDED TO READ:

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#7-15-4221. Modification of urban renewal project

plan. (1) An urban renewal project plan may be modified at

any time by the local governing body. If modified after the	8
lease or sale by the municipality of real property in the	u
urban renewal project area, such modification shall be	e
subject to such rights at law or in equity as a lessee of	r
purchaser or his successor or successors in interest may be	0
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12) An urban renewal plan may be modified by resolution.

(3) All urban renewal place approved by resolution prior to fthe effective date of this act] are hereby validated.

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Section 4. Section 7-15-4260. MCA. is amended to read: *7-15-4260. Exemption from levy and sale for certain property. All property of a municipality: including funds. owned or held by it for the purposes of this part and part 43 shall be exempt from levy and sale by wirtue of an execution, and no execution or other judicial process shall issue against the same nor shall judgment against a municipality be a charge or lien upon such property; provided, however, that the provisions of this section shall

not apply to or limit the right of obligees to pursue any remedies for the enforcement of any pledge or lien given pursuant to this part or part 43 by a municipality on its an urban renewal project or the rents, fees, grants, or revenues derived from urban-renewel these projects."

Section 5. Section 7-15-4283. MCA, is amended to read: "7-15-4283. Definitions related to tax increment financing. For purposes of 7-15-4282 through 7-15-4292, the following definitions apply unless otherwise provided or indicated by the context:

- (1) "Actual taxable value" means the taxable value of all taxable property within-an-urban--renewel--erec at any time, as calculated from the assessment roll last equalized.
- (2) "Base taxable value" means the actual taxable 14 value of all taxable property within an urban renewal area 15 prior to the effective date of a tax increment financing 16 17 provision. This value may be adjusted as provided in 7-15-4287 or [section 9] 18

(2)(3) "Incremental taxable value" means the amount: 19 if any, by which the actual taxable value at any time 21 exceeds the original base taxable value of all property 22 within an urban renewal area subject to taxation.

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- (4) "Tax increment" means the collections realized from extending the tax levies, expressed in mills, of all taxing bodies in which the urban renewal area or a part thereof is located against the incremental taxable value.
- (5) "Tax increment provision" means a provision for the segregation and application of tax increments as authorized by 7-15-4282 through 7-15-4292.
- 10 (6) "Taxes" means all taxes levied by a taxing body
 11 against property on an ad valorem basis.
 - (7) "Taxing body" means any city town county school districts or other political subdivision or governmental unit of the state, including the state, which levies taxes against property within the urban renewal area."
 - Section 6. Section 7-15-4285, MCA, is amended to read:

 "7-15-4285. Determination and report of original, actual, and incremental taxable values. The officer or officers responsible for assessing and determining the taxable value of the taxable property located within the urban renewal area shall, immediately upon receipt of the tax increment provision and each year thereafter, calculate and report to the municipality and to any other affected taxing body the original base, actual, and incremental taxable values of such property."

Section 7. Section 7-15-4286, MCA, is amended to read:

"7-15-4286. Procedure to determine and disburse tax increment. (1) Hill rates of taxing bodies for taxes levied after the effective date of the tax increment provision shall be calculated on the basis of the sum of the taxable value, as shown by the last equalized assessment roll, of all taxable property located outside the urban renewal area and the original base taxable value of all taxable property located within the urban renewal area. The mill rate so determined shall be levied against the sum of the actual taxable value of all taxable property located within as well as outside the urban renewal area.

- (2) (a) The 'tax increment, if any, received in each year from the levy of the combined mill rates of all the affected taxing bodies against the incremental taxable value within the urban renewal area shall be paid into a special fund held by the treasurer of the municipality and used as provided in 7-15-4282 through 7-15-4292.
- (b) The balance of the taxes collected in each year shall be paid to each of the taxing bodies as otherwise provided by law."
- Section 8. Section 7-15-4287, MCA, is amended to read:

 "7-15-4287. Provision for use of portion of tax
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(b) the tax increment resulting from the smaller incremental value is determined by the governing body to be sufficient to pay all principal and interest due later on the bonds.

121 The portion—so <u>adjusted base value</u> determined <u>under Subsection (1)</u> shall be reported by the clerk to the officers and taxing bodies to which the increment provision is reported.

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- (2) No property taxes, except the tax increment derived from property within the urban renewal area and tax collections used to pay for services provided to the municipality by an urban renewal project, may be applied to the payment of bonds issued pursuant to 7-15-4301 for which a tax increment has been pledged.
- 9 Section 11. Section 7-15-4301, MCA, is amended to read:
- 11 #7-15-4301. Authorization to issue urban renewal bonds
 12 and refunding bonds. (I) A municipality shall have the power
 13 to:
 - (a) issue bonds from time to time in its discretions to finance the undertaking of any urban renewal project under this part and part 42, including, without limiting the generality thereof, the payment of principal and interest upon any advances for surveys and plans for urban renewal projects; and
- 20 (b) issue refunding bonds for the payment or 21 retirement of such bonds previously issued by it.
- 22 (2) Such bonds shall not pledge the general credit of
 23 the municipality and shall be made payable; as to both
 24 principal and interest; solely from the income; proceeds;
 25 revenues; and funds of the municipality derived from or held

in connection with its undertaking and carrying out of urban renewal projects under this part and part 42, including the tax increment received and pledged by the municipality pursuant to 7-15-4282 through 7-15-4292. Payment of such bonds, both as to principal and interest, may be further secured by a pledge of any loan, grant, or contribution from the federal government or other source in aid of any urban renewal projects of the municipality under this part and part 42 or by a mortosey on all or part of any such projects.

- (3) Bonds issued under this section shall be authorized by resolution or ordinance of the local governing body.
- NEW SECTION. Section 12. Adjustment of base taxable value following change in statutes. If the base taxable value of an urban renewal area is affected after its original determination by a statutory change in the method of appraising property, the tax rate applied to it, or the tax exemption status of property, the governing body of the municipality may request the department of revenue or its agents to calculate the base taxable value as it would have been on the date of the original determination had the statutory changes been in effect on that date. The governing body may adjust the base taxable value to that value reported by the department of revenue, under the provisions

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Section 13. Repealer. Section 7-15-4291, MCA. is repealed.

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1	HOUSE BILL NO. 669
2	INTRODUCED BY RAMIREZ, PORTER
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4	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED. "AN ACT RELATING TO IHE
5	CREATION AND FINANCING OF URBAN THAT PROJECTS; REVISING
6	THE METHODS OF CREATING URBAN RENEWAL PLANS AND CALCULATING
7	AND USING TAX INCREMENTS; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-15-6216.
A	<u>1-15-4217. 7-15-4221.</u> 7-15-4260, 7-15-4283, 7-15-4285
9	THROUGH 7-15-4287, 7-15-4289, 7-15-4290, AND 7-15-4301, MCA;
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13	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
14	SECTION 1. SECTION 7-15-4216. MCA. 15 AMENDED TO READ:
15	"7-15-4216. Requirements for approval of urban renewal
16	plans and projects. (1) The local governing body shall not
17	approve an urban renewal plan until a comprehensive plan or
18	parts of such plan for an area which would include an urban
19	renewal area for the municipality have been prepared.
20	(2) A municipality shall not approve an urban renewal
21	project for an urban renewal area unless the local governing
22	body has by resolution determined such area to be a blighted
23	area and designated such area as appropriate for an urban
24	renewal project.

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2	(4) All urban renewal plans approved by resolution
3	prior to [the effective date of this act] are hereby
4	validated."
5	SECTION Za SECTION 7-15-4217: MCA: IS AMENDED TO READ:
6	<pre>#7-15-4217. Criteria for approval of urban renewal</pre>
7	project. Following the hearing required by 7-15-4214, the
8	local governing body may. by resolution ORDINANCE: approve
9	an urban renewal project if it finds that:
10	(1) a workable and feasible plan exists for making
11	available adequate housing for the persons who may be
12	displaced by the project;
13	(2) the urban renewal plan conforms to the
14	comprehensive plan or parts thereof for the municipality as
15	a whole;
16	(3) the urban renewal plan will afford maximum
17	opportunity, consistent with the sound needs of the
18	municipality as a whole, for the rehabilitation or
19	redevelopment of the urban renewal area by private
20	enterprise; and
21	(4) a sound and adequate financial program exists for
22	the financing of said project.
23	SECTION 3. SECTION 7-15-4221. MCA. IS AMENDED TO READ:
24	*7-15-4221. Modification of urban renewal project
25	plan. (1) An urban renewal project plan may be modified at

1	any time by the local governing body. If modified after the
2	lease or sale by the municipality of real property in the
3	urban renewal project area, such modification shall be
4	subject to such rights at law or in equity as a lessee or
5	purchaser or his successor or successors in interest may be
6	entitled to assert.
7	(2) An urban renewal plan may be modified by
8	resolution ORDINANCE.
9	131 All urban renewal plans approved OR MODIFIED by
10	resolution prior to [the effective date of this act] are
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12	(4) A plan may be modified by:
13	(a) the procedure set forth in subsections 7-15-4212
14	through 7-15-6219 with respect to adoption of an urban
15	renewal plans
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18	*7-15-4260. Exemption from levy and sale for certain
19	property. All property of a municipality, including funds,
20	owned or held by it for the purposes of this part and part

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- (6) "Taxes" means all taxes levied by a taxing body against property on an ad valorem basis.
- (7) "Taxing body" means any city, town, county, school district, or other political subdivision or governmental unit of the state, including the state, which levies taxes against property within the urban renewal area."

Section 6. Section 7-15-4285, MCA, is amended to read: #7-15-4285. Determination and report of original, actual, and incremental taxable values. The officer or officers responsible for assessing and determining the taxable value of the taxable property located within the urban renewal area shall, immediately upon receipt of the tax increment provision and each year thereafter, calculate and report to the municipality and to any other affected taxing body the original base, actual, and incremental taxable values of such property.*

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Section 7. Section 7-15-4286, MCA, is amended to read:

"7-15-4286. Procedure to determine and disburse tax increment. (1) Mill rates of taxing bodies for taxes levied after the effective date of the tax increment provision shall be calculated on the basis of the sum of the taxable value, as shown by the last equalized assessment roll, of all taxable property located outside the urban renewal area and the original base taxable value of all taxable property located within the urban renewal area. The mill rate so determined shall be levied against the sum of the actual taxable value of all taxable property located within as well as outside the urban renewal area.

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- (2) (a) The 'tax increment, if any, received in each year from the levy of the combined mill rates of all the affected taxing bodies against the incremental taxable value within the urban renewal area shall be paid into a special fund held by the treasurer of the municipality and used as provided in 7-15-4282 through 7-15-4292.
- (b) The balance of the taxes collected in each year
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Section 8. Section 7-15-4287, MCA, is amended to read:

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Section 9. Section 7-15-4289, MCA, is amended to read:

"7-15-4289. Use of tax increments for bond payments.

The tax increment may be pledged to the payment of the principal of premiums: if any; and interest on bonds which the municipality may issue pursuant-to-7-15-4381-for-the purposes-listed-in-7-15-4288 for the purpose of providing funds to pay such costs."

11 Section 10. Section 7-15-4290, MCA, is amended to 12 read:

#7-15-4290. Use of property taxes for payment of bonds. (1) Property—taxes—for—the—payment—of—all—bonds—of each—taxing—body—other—then—tax—increment—bonds—authorized in—this—party—must—be—levied—against—all—property—within—the taxing—body—subject—to—taxation—without—limitation—by—the provisions—of—7-15-4202—through—7-15-4292— The tax increment may be pledged for the payment of revenue bonds—issued—for urban—renewal—projects—or—of—general—obligation—bonds—revenue bonds—or special assessment—bonds—issued—to—pay urban—renewal—costs—described—in—7-15-4289——Any municipality issuing such bonds—may—by—resolution—of—its governing—body—mater—into a covenant for the security of the bondbolders—detailing the calculation and adjustment of

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- 9 Section 11. Section 7-15-4301, MCA, is amended to read:
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- 20 (b) issue refunding bonds for the payment or 21 retirement of such bonds previously issued by it.
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(3) Bonds issued under this section shall be authorized by resolution or ordinance of the local governing body.

MEN_SECTION. Section 12. Adjustment of base taxable value following change in statutes. If the base taxable value of an urban renewal area is affected after its original determination by a statutory change in the method of appraising property, the tax rate applied to it, or the tax exemption status of property, the governing body of the municipality may request the department of revenue or its agents to calculate the base taxable value as it would have been on the date of the original determination had the statutory changes been in effect on that date. The governing body may adjust the base taxable value to that value reported by the department of revenue, under the provisions

1	of 7-15-4287.
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4	SECTION 13. EFFECTIVE DATE. THIS ACT IS EFFECTIVE OF
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SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT (Taxation)

That House Bill No. 669, third reading bill, be amended as follows:

1. Title, line 10. Following: line 9

Strike: "AND REPEALING SECTION 7-15-4291, MCA;"

2. Page 1, line 25. Following: "plan"

Strike: "may"

Insert: "adopted after July 1, 1979, must"

3. Page 2, line 1. Following: page 1 Strike: "resolution" Insert: "ordinance"

4. Page 2, line 8.
 Following: "by"
 Strike: "resolution"

Strike: "resolution" Insert: "ordinance"

5. Page 3, line 8. Following: line 7
Strike: "resolution"
Insert: "ordinance"

6. Page 3, line 9. Following: "approved" Insert: "or modified"

7. Page 11, line 2.
Following: line 1

Strike: section 13 in its entirety

Renumber: subsequent section