
THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. **290** Session of
1961

INTRODUCED BY MESSRS. SESLER AND STASEY,
FEBRUARY 27, 1961.

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT,
FEBRUARY 27, 1961.

AN ACT

Amending the act of May 24 1945 (P. L. 991) entitled "An act to pro-

vide for the more prompt elimination of blighted areas and supply sanitary housing

in areas throughout the Commonwealth by declaring acquisition

and sound replanning and redeveloping of such areas to be for

the promotion of health safety convenience and welfare creating

public bodies corporate and politic to be known as Redevelopment

Authorities authorizing them to engage in the elimination of

blighted areas and to plan and contract with private corporate or

EXPLANATION—CAPITAL LETTERS indicate new matter added to bill. Matter stricken through is to be omitted from bill. Underlining indicates new matter added to existing law. [Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

governmental redevelopers for their redevelopment providing for the organization of such authorities defining and providing for the exercise of their powers and duties including the acquisition of property by purchase gift or eminent domain the leasing and selling of property including borrowing money issuing bonds and other obligations and giving security therefor restricting the interest of members and employes of authorities providing for notice and hearing supplying certain mandatory provisions to be inserted in contracts with redevelopers prescribing the remedies of obligees of redevelopment authorities conferring certain duties upon local planning commissions the governing bodies of cities and counties and on certain State officers boards and departments" by requiring the filing of a bond to secure the owner before vesting of title in condemnor in eminent domain proceedings

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows

- 1 Section 1 Section 12 of the act of May 24 1945 (P L 991) known
- 2 as the "Urban Redevelopment Law" is amended to read
- 3 Section 12 Eminent Domain Title to any property acquired by an

1 Authority through eminent domain shall be an absolute or fee simple
2 title unless a lesser title shall be designated in the eminent domain pro-
3 ceedings The Authority may exercise the right of eminent domain in
4 the manner provided by law for the exercise of such right by cities
5 or counties as the case may be of the same class as the city or county
6 in which such Authority is organized to operate except that the title
7 to the land or property condemned shall vest in the Authority a such
8 time as the court upon petition of the Authority or owner of the land
9 or property condemned shall approve the bond given and provided by
10 the Authority which bond shall be to the use or benefit of said owner
11 If any of the real property in the redevelopment area which is to be
12 acquired has prior to such acquisition been devoted to another public
13 use it may nevertheless be acquired by condemnation Provided That
14 no real property belonging to a city county or to the Commonwealth
15 may be acquired without its consent No real property belonging to a
16 public utility corporation may be acquired without the approval of the
17 Public Utility Commission

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We certify that this bill has passed the Senate and the House of
Representatives.

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Chief Clerk, Senate

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President pro tempore, Senate

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Speaker, House of Representatives

Approved The day of A. D. 1961.

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Governor