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HOUSING AND TRANSIT REINVESTMENT ZONE

AMENDMENTS

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amends the membership of the housing and transit reinvestment zone committee;



tax implications of the proposal;

26	and
27	 makes technical changes.
28	Money Appropriated in this Bill:
29	None
30	Other Special Clauses:
31	None
32	Utah Code Sections Affected:
33	AMENDS:
34	63N-3-602, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapters 68, 433
35	63N-3-603, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapters 21, 406 and 433
36	63N-3-604, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 433
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39	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
40	Section 1. Section 63N-3-602 is amended to read:
41	63N-3-602. Definitions.
42	As used in this part:
43	(1) "Affordable housing" means housing occupied or reserved for occupancy by
44	households with a gross household income equal to or less than 80% of the median gross
45	income of the applicable municipal or county statistical area for households of the same size.
46	(2) "Agency" means the same as that term is defined in Section 17C-1-102.
47	(3) "Base taxable value" means a property's taxable value as shown upon the
48	assessment roll last equalized during the base year.
49	(4) "Base year" means, for a proposed housing and transit reinvestment zone area, a
50	year beginning the first day of the calendar quarter determined by the last equalized tax roll
51	before the adoption of the housing and transit reinvestment zone.
52	(5) "Bus rapid transit" means a high-quality bus-based transit system that delivers fast
53	and efficient service that may include dedicated lanes, busways, traffic signal priority,
54	off-board fare collection, elevated platforms, and enhanced stations.
55	(6) "Bus rapid transit station" means an existing or a proposed station, stop, or
56	terminal:

57	(a) along an existing bus rapid transit line; or
58	(b) along an extension to an existing bus rapid transit line or new bus rapid transit line
59	that is included in a metropolitan planning organization's adopted long-range transportation
60	<u>plan.</u>
61	[(6)] (7) (a) "Commuter rail" means a heavy-rail passenger rail transit facility operated
62	by a large public transit district.
63	(b) "Commuter rail" does not include a light-rail passenger rail facility of a large public
64	transit district.
65	$[\frac{7}{2}]$ (8) "Commuter rail station" means $[\frac{\pi}{2}]$ an existing or a proposed station, stop, or
66	terminal:
67	(a) (i) along an existing commuter rail line[, or];
68	(ii) along an extension to an existing commuter rail line or new commuter rail line that
69	is included in a metropolitan planning organization's adopted long-range transportation plan[:];
70	<u>or</u>
71	(iii) along a dedicated right-of-way, regardless of the mode of transit:
72	(A) for which the terminus does not exceed more than two miles in length from an
73	existing commuter rail station; or
74	(B) that begins and terminates on the commuter rail line; and
75	(b) that is included in a metropolitan planning organization's adopted long-range
76	transportation plan.
77	[8] (9) (a) "Developable area" means the portion of land within a housing and transit
78	reinvestment zone available for development and construction of business and residential uses.
79	(b) "Developable area" does not include portions of land within a housing and transit
80	reinvestment zone that are allocated to:
81	(i) parks;
82	(ii) recreation facilities;
83	(iii) open space;
84	(iv) trails;
85	(v) publicly-owned roadway facilities; or
86	(vi) other public facilities.
87	$\left[\frac{(9)}{(10)}\right]$ (10) "Dwelling unit" means one or more rooms arranged for the use of one or

88	more individuals living together, as a single housekeeping unit normally having cooking,
89	living, sanitary, and sleeping facilities.
90	[(10)] (11) "Enhanced development" means the construction of mixed uses including
91	housing, commercial uses, and related facilities.
92	[(11)] (12) "Enhanced development costs" means extra costs associated with structured
93	parking costs, vertical construction costs, horizontal construction costs, life safety costs,
94	structural costs, conveyor or elevator costs, and other costs incurred due to the increased height
95	of buildings or enhanced development.
96	[(12)] (13) "Horizontal construction costs" means the additional costs associated with
97	earthwork, over excavation, utility work, transportation infrastructure, and landscaping to
98	achieve enhanced development in the housing and transit reinvestment zone.
99	[(13)] (14) "Housing and transit reinvestment zone" means a housing and transit
100	reinvestment zone created pursuant to this part.
101	[(14)] (15) "Housing and transit reinvestment zone committee" means a housing and
102	transit reinvestment zone committee created pursuant to Section 63N-3-605.
103	[(15)] (16) "Large public transit district" means the same as that term is defined in
104	Section 17B-2a-802.
105	[(16)] (17) "Light rail" means a passenger rail public transit system with right-of-way
106	and fixed rails:
107	(a) dedicated to exclusive use by light-rail public transit vehicles;
108	(b) that may cross streets at grade; and
109	(c) that may share parts of surface streets.
110	(18) "Light rail station" means an existing or a proposed station, stop, or terminal:
111	(a) along an existing light rail line; or
112	(b) along an extension to an existing light rail line or a new light rail line that is
113	included in a metropolitan planning organization's adopted long-range transportation plan.
114	[(17)] (19) "Metropolitan planning organization" means the same as that term is
115	defined in Section 72-1-208.5.
116	[(18)] (20) "Mixed use development" means development with a mix of multi-family
117	residential use and at least one additional land use.
118	[(19)] (21) "Municipality" means the same as that term is defined in Section 10-1-104.

119	$\left[\frac{(20)}{(22)}\right]$ "Participant" means the same as that term is defined in Section 17C-1-102.
120	[(21)] (23) "Participation agreement" means the same as that term is defined in Section
121	17C-1-102, except that the agency may not provide and the person may not receive a direct
122	subsidy.
123	[(22)] (24) "Public transit county" means a county that has created a small public
124	transit district.
125	[(23)] (25) "Public transit hub" means a public transit depot or station where four or
126	more routes serving separate parts of the county-created transit district stop to transfer riders
127	between routes.
128	[(24)] (26) "Sales and use tax base year" means a sales and use tax year determined by
129	the first year pertaining to the tax imposed in Section 59-12-103 after the sales and use tax
130	boundary for a housing and transit reinvestment zone is established.
131	[(25)] (27) "Sales and use tax boundary" means a boundary created as described in
132	Section 63N-3-604, based on state sales and use tax collection that corresponds as closely as
133	reasonably practicable to the housing and transit reinvestment zone boundary.
134	[(26)] (28) "Sales and use tax increment" means the difference between:
135	(a) the amount of state sales and use tax revenue generated each year following the
136	sales and use tax base year by the sales and use tax from the area within a housing and transit
137	reinvestment zone designated in the housing and transit reinvestment zone proposal as the area
138	from which sales and use tax increment is to be collected; and
139	(b) the amount of state sales and use tax revenue that was generated from that same
140	area during the sales and use tax base year.
141	[(27)] (29) "Sales and use tax revenue" means revenue that is generated from the tax
142	imposed under Section 59-12-103.
143	[(28)] (30) "Small public transit district" means the same as that term is defined in
144	Section 17B-2a-802.
145	[(29)] (31) "Tax [commission] Commission" means the State Tax Commission created
146	in Section 59-1-201.
147	[(30)] (32) "Tax increment" means the difference between:
148	(a) the amount of property tax revenue generated each tax year by a taxing entity from
149	the area within a housing and transit reinvestment zone designated in the housing and transit

150	reinvestment zone proposal as the area from which tax increment is to be collected, using the
151	current assessed value and each taxing entity's current certified tax rate as defined in Section
152	59-2-924; and
153	(b) the amount of property tax revenue that would be generated from that same area
154	using the base taxable value and each taxing entity's current certified tax rate as defined in
155	Section 59-2-924.
156	[(31)] (33) "Taxing entity" means the same as that term is defined in Section
157	17C-1-102.
158	[(32)] (34) "Vertical construction costs" means the additional costs associated with
159	construction above four stories and structured parking to achieve enhanced development in the
160	housing and transit reinvestment zone.
161	Section 2. Section 63N-3-603 is amended to read:
162	63N-3-603. Applicability, requirements, and limitations on a housing and transit
163	reinvestment zone.
164	(1) A housing and transit reinvestment zone proposal created under this part shall
165	promote the following objectives:
166	(a) higher utilization of public transit;
167	(b) increasing availability of housing, including affordable housing, and fulfillment of
168	moderate income housing plans;
169	(c) improving efficiencies in parking and transportation, including walkability of
170	communities near public transit facilities;
171	(d) overcoming development impediments and market conditions that render a
172	development cost prohibitive absent the proposal and incentives;
173	[(e)] (e) conservation of water resources through efficient land use;
174	[(d)] (f) improving air quality by reducing fuel consumption and motor vehicle trips;
175	[(e)] (g) encouraging transformative mixed-use development and investment in
176	transportation and public transit infrastructure in strategic areas;
177	[(f)] (h) strategic land use and municipal planning in major transit investment corridors
178	as described in Subsection 10-9a-403(2);
179	[(g)] (i) increasing access to employment and educational opportunities; and
180	[(h)] (j) increasing access to child care.

- (2) In order to accomplish the objectives described in Subsection (1), a municipality or public transit county that initiates the process to create a housing and transit reinvestment zone as described in this part shall ensure that the proposal for a housing and transit reinvestment zone includes:
- (a) except as provided in Subsection (3), at least 10% of the proposed dwelling units within the housing and transit reinvestment zone are affordable housing units;
- (b) at least 51% of the developable area within the housing and transit reinvestment zone includes residential uses with, except as provided in Subsection (4)(c), an average of 50 dwelling units per acre or greater;
 - (c) mixed-use development; and
- (d) a mix of dwelling units to ensure that a reasonable percentage of the dwelling units has more than one bedroom.
 - (3) A municipality or public transit county that, at the time the housing and transit reinvestment zone proposal is approved by the housing and transit reinvestment zone committee, meets the affordable housing guidelines of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development at 60% area median income is exempt from the requirement described in Subsection (2)(a).
 - (4) (a) A municipality may only propose a housing and transit reinvestment zone at a commuter rail station, and a public transit county may only propose a housing and transit reinvestment zone at a public transit hub, that:
 - (i) subject to Subsection (5)(a):
 - (A) (I) except as provided in Subsection (4)(a)(i)(A)(II), for a municipality, does not exceed a 1/3 mile radius of a commuter rail station;
 - (II) for a municipality that is a city of the first class with a population greater than 150,000 that is within a county of the first class, with an opportunity zone created pursuant to Section 1400Z-1, Internal Revenue Code, does not exceed a 1/2 mile radius of a commuter rail station located within the opportunity zone; or
- 208 (III) for a public transit county, does not exceed a 1/3 mile radius of a public transit 209 hub; and
 - (B) has a total area of no more than 125 noncontiguous acres;
- 211 (ii) subject to Section 63N-3-607, proposes the capture of a maximum of 80% of each

- taxing entity's tax increment above the base year for a term of no more than 25 consecutive years on each parcel within a 45-year period not to exceed the tax increment amount approved in the housing and transit reinvestment zone proposal; and
- (iii) the commencement of collection of tax increment, for all or a portion of the housing and transit reinvestment zone, will be triggered by providing notice as described in Subsection (6).
- (b) A municipality or public transit county may only propose a housing and transit reinvestment zone at a light rail station or bus rapid transit station that:
 - (i) subject to Subsection (5):
- 221 (A) does not exceed:
 - (I) except as provided in Subsection (4)(b)(i)(A)(II) or (III), a 1/4 mile radius of a bus rapid transit station or light rail station;
 - (II) for a municipality that is a city of the first class with a population greater than 150,000 that is within a county of the first class, a 1/2 mile radius of a light rail station located in an opportunity zone created pursuant to Section 1400Z-1, Internal Revenue Code; or
 - (III) a 1/2 mile radius of a light rail station located within a master-planned development of 500 acres or more; and
 - (B) has a total area of no more than 100 noncontiguous acres;
 - (ii) subject to Subsection (4)(c) and Section 63N-3-607, proposes the capture of a maximum of 80% of each taxing entity's tax increment above the base year for a term of no more than 15 consecutive years on each parcel within a 30-year period not to exceed the tax increment amount approved in the housing and transit reinvestment zone proposal; and
 - (iii) the commencement of collection of tax increment, for all or a portion of the housing and transit reinvestment zone, will be triggered by providing notice as described in Subsection (6).
 - (c) For a housing and transit reinvestment zone proposed by a public transit county at a public transit hub, or for a housing and transit reinvestment zone proposed by a municipality at a bus rapid transit station, if the proposed housing density within the housing and transit reinvestment zone is between 39 and 49 dwelling units per acre, the maximum capture of each taxing entity's tax increment above the base year is 60%.
 - (d) A municipality that is a city of the first class with a population greater than 150,000

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- in a county of the first class as described in Subsections (4)(a)(i)(A)(II) and (4)(b)(i)(A)(II) may only propose one housing and transit reinvestment zone within an opportunity zone.
 - (5) (a) For a housing and transit reinvestment zone for a commuter rail station, if a parcel is bisected by the relevant radius limitation, the full parcel may be included as part of the housing and transit reinvestment zone area and will not count against the limitations described in Subsection (4)(a)(i).
 - (b) For a housing and transit reinvestment zone for a light rail or bus rapid transit station, if a parcel is bisected by the relevant radius limitation, the full parcel may be included as part of the housing and transit reinvestment zone area and will not count against the limitations described in Subsection (4)(b)(i).
 - (6) The notice of commencement of collection of tax increment required in Subsection (4)(a)(iii) or (4)(b)(iii) shall be sent by mail or electronically to:
 - (a) the tax commission;
 - (b) the State Board of Education;
- 257 (c) the state auditor;
- 258 (d) the auditor of the county in which the housing and transit reinvestment zone is located;
 - (e) each taxing entity affected by the collection of tax increment from the housing and transit reinvestment zone; and
 - (f) the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity.
 - (7) (a) The maximum number of housing and transit reinvestment zones at light rail stations is eight in any given county.
 - (b) The maximum number of housing and transit reinvestment zones at bus rapid transit stations is three in [any given county] a county of the first class.
 - (8) (a) This Subsection (8) applies to a specified county, as defined in Section 17-27a-408, that has created a small public transit district on or before January 1, 2022.
 - (b) A county described in Subsection (8)(a) shall, in accordance with Section 63N-3-604, prepare and submit to the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity a proposal to create a housing and transit reinvestment zone on or before December 31, [2022] 2023.
- 272 (c) (i) A county described in Subsection (8)(a) may not propose a housing and transit
 273 reinvestment zone if more than 15% of the acreage within the housing and transit reinvestment

274	zone boundary is owned by the county.
275	(ii) For purposes of determining the percentage of acreage owned by the county as
276	described in Subsection (8)(c)(i), a county may exclude any acreage owned that is used for
277	highways, bus rapid transit, light rail, or commuter rail within the boundary of the housing and
278	transit reinvestment zone.
279	Section 3. Section 63N-3-604 is amended to read:
280	63N-3-604. Process for a proposal of a housing and transit reinvestment zone
281	Analysis.
282	(1) Subject to approval of the housing and transit reinvestment zone committee as
283	described in Section 63N-3-605, in order to create a housing and transit reinvestment zone, a
284	municipality or public transit county that has general land use authority over the housing and
285	transit reinvestment zone area, shall:
286	(a) prepare a proposal for the housing and transit reinvestment zone that:
287	(i) demonstrates that the proposed housing and transit reinvestment zone will meet the
288	objectives described in Subsection 63N-3-603(1);
289	(ii) explains how the municipality or public transit county will achieve the
290	requirements of Subsection 63N-3-603(2)(a);
291	(iii) defines the specific transportation infrastructure needs, if any, and proposed
292	improvements;
293	(iv) defines the boundaries of:
294	(A) the housing and transit reinvestment zone; and
295	(B) the sales and use tax boundary corresponding to the housing and transit
296	reinvestment zone boundary, as described in Section 63N-3-610;
297	(v) includes maps of the proposed housing and transit reinvestment zone to illustrate:
298	(A) the proposed boundary and radius from a public transit hub;
299	(B) proposed housing density within the housing and transit reinvestment zone; and
300	(C) existing zoning and proposed zoning changes related to the housing and transit
301	reinvestment zone;
302	[(v)] (vi) identifies any development impediments that prevent the development from
303	being a market-rate investment and proposed strategies for addressing each one;
304	[(vi)] (vii) describes the proposed development plan, including the requirements

305	described in Subsections $63N-3-603(2)$ and (4) ;
306	[(vii)] (viii) establishes a base year and collection period to calculate the tax increment
307	within the housing and transit reinvestment zone;
308	[(viii)] (ix) establishes a sales and use tax base year to calculate the sales and use tax
309	increment within the housing and transit reinvestment zone;
310	[(ix)] (x) describes projected maximum revenues generated and the amount of tax
311	increment capture from each taxing entity and proposed expenditures of revenue derived from
312	the housing and transit reinvestment zone;
313	[(x)] (xi) includes an analysis of other applicable or eligible incentives, grants, or
314	sources of revenue that can be used to reduce the finance gap;
315	[(xi)] (xii) evaluates possible benefits to active and public transportation availability
316	and impacts on air quality;
317	[(xiii)] (xiii) proposes a finance schedule to align expected revenue with required
318	financing costs and payments; and
319	[(xiii)] (xiv) provides a pro-forma for the planned development including the cost
320	differential between surface parked multi-family development and enhanced development that
321	satisfies the requirements described in Subsections 63N-3-603(2), (3), and (4); and
322	(b) submit the housing and transit reinvestment zone proposal to the Governor's Office
323	of Economic Opportunity.
324	(2) As part of the proposal described in Subsection (1), a municipality or public transit
325	county shall study and evaluate possible impacts of a proposed housing and transit
326	reinvestment zone on parking within the city and housing and transit reinvestment zone.
327	(3) (a) After receiving the proposal as described in Subsection (1)(b), the Governor's
328	Office of Economic Opportunity shall[;]:
329	(i) within 14 days after the date on which the Governor's Office of Economic
330	Opportunity receives the proposal described in Subsection (1)(b), provide notice of the
331	proposal to all affected taxing entities, including the Tax Commission, cities, counties, school
332	districts, and metropolitan planning organizations; and
333	(ii) at the expense of the proposing municipality or public transit county as described in
334	Subsection (5), contract with an independent entity to perform the gap analysis described in
335	Subsection (3)(b).

336 (b) The gap analysis required in Subsection (3)(a)(ii) shall include: 337 (i) a description of the planned development; 338 (ii) a market analysis relative to other comparable project developments included in or 339 adjacent to the municipality or public transit county absent the proposed housing and transit 340 reinvestment zone; 341 (iii) an evaluation of the proposal to and a determination of the adequacy and efficiency 342 of the proposal; 343 (iv) an evaluation of the proposed increment capture needed to cover the enhanced 344 development costs associated with the housing and transit reinvestment zone proposal and 345 enable the proposed development to occur; and 346 (v) based on the market analysis and other findings, an opinion relative to the 347 [minimum] appropriate amount of potential public financing reasonably determined to be 348 necessary to achieve the objectives described in Subsection 63N-3-603(1). 349 (c) After receiving notice from the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity of a 350 proposed housing and transit reinvestment zone as described in Subsection (3)(a)(i), the Tax 351 Commission shall: 352 (i) evaluate the feasibility of administering the tax implications of the proposal; and 353 (ii) provide a letter to the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity describing any 354 challenges in the administration of the proposal, or indicating that the Tax Commission can 355 feasibly administer the proposal. 356 (4) After receiving the results from the analysis described in Subsection (3)(b), the 357 municipality or public transit county proposing the housing and transit reinvestment zone may: 358 (a) amend the housing and transit reinvestment zone proposal based on the findings of 359 the analysis described in Subsection (3)(b) and request that the Governor's Office of Economic 360 Opportunity submit the amended housing and transit reinvestment zone proposal to the housing 361 and transit reinvestment zone committee; or 362 (b) request that the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity submit the original 363 housing and transit reinvestment zone proposal to the housing and transit reinvestment zone 364 committee. 365 (5) (a) The Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity may accept, as a dedicated

credit, up to \$20,000 from a municipality or public transit county for the costs of the gap

367	analysis described in Subsection (3)(b).
368	(b) The Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity may expend funds received from a
369	municipality or public transit county as dedicated credits to pay for the costs associated with
370	the gap analysis described in Subsection (3)(b).
371	Section 4. Section 63N-3-605 is amended to read:
372	63N-3-605. Housing and Transit Reinvestment Zone Committee Creation.
373	(1) For any housing and transit reinvestment zone proposed under this part, there is
374	created a housing and transit reinvestment zone committee with membership described in
375	Subsection (2).
376	(2) Each housing and transit reinvestment zone committee shall consist of the
377	following members:
378	(a) one representative from the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity, designated
379	by the executive director of the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity;
380	(b) one representative from each municipality that is a party to the proposed housing
381	and transit reinvestment zone, designated by the chief executive officer of each respective
382	municipality;
383	(c) [one representative from the Department of Transportation created in Section
384	72-1-201, designated by the executive director of the Department of Transportation] <u>a member</u>
385	of the Transportation Commission created in Section 72-1-301;
386	(d) [one representative from a large public transit district that serves the proposed
387	housing and transit reinvestment zone area, designated by the chair of the board of trustees of a
388	large public transit district] a member of the board of trustees of a large public transit district;
389	(e) one individual from the Office of the State Treasurer, designated by the state
390	treasurer;
391	(f) one member designated by the president of the Senate;
392	(g) one member designated by the speaker of the House of Representatives;
393	[(h) one individual from the tax commission, designated by the executive director of
394	the tax commission;]
395	[(i)] (h) one member designated by the chief executive officer of each county affected
396	by the housing and transit reinvestment zone;
397	[(j)] <u>(i)</u> one representative designated by the school superintendent from the school

398 district affected by the housing and transit reinvestment zone; and

- [(k)] (j) one representative, representing the largest participating local taxing entity, after the municipality, county, and school district.
- (3) The individual designated by the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity as described in Subsection (2)(a) shall serve as chair of the housing and transit reinvestment zone committee.
- (4) (a) A majority of the members of the housing and transit reinvestment zone committee constitutes a quorum of the housing and transit reinvestment zone committee.
- (b) An action by a majority of a quorum of the housing and transit reinvestment zone committee is an action of the housing and transit reinvestment zone committee.
- (5) After the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity receives the results of the analysis described in Section 63N-3-604, and after the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity has received a request from the submitting municipality or public transit county to submit the housing and transit reinvestment zone proposal to the housing and transit reinvestment zone committee, the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity shall notify each of the entities described in Subsection (2) of the formation of the housing and transit reinvestment zone committee.
- (6) (a) The chair of the housing and transit reinvestment zone committee shall convene a public meeting to consider the proposed housing and transit reinvestment zone.
- (b) A meeting of the housing and transit reinvestment zone committee is subject to Title 52, Chapter 4, Open and Public Meetings Act.
- (7) (a) The proposing municipality or public transit county shall present the housing and transit reinvestment zone proposal to the housing and transit reinvestment zone committee in a public meeting.
 - (b) The housing and transit reinvestment zone committee shall:
- (i) evaluate and verify whether the elements of a housing and transit reinvestment zone described in Subsections 63N-3-603(2) and (4) have been met; and
- (ii) evaluate the proposed housing and transit reinvestment zone relative to the analysis described in Subsection 63N-3-604(2).
- 427 (8) (a) Subject to Subsection (8)(b), the housing and transit reinvestment zone 428 committee may:

429 (i) request changes to the housing and transit reinvestment zone proposal based on the 430 analysis, characteristics, and criteria described in Section 63N-3-604; or 431 (ii) vote to approve or deny the proposal. 432 (b) Before the housing and transit reinvestment zone committee may approve the 433 housing and transit reinvestment zone proposal, the municipality or public transit county 434 proposing the housing and transit reinvestment zone shall ensure that the area of the proposed 435 housing and transit reinvestment zone is zoned in such a manner to accommodate the 436 requirements of a housing and transit reinvestment zone described in this section and the 437 proposed development. 438 (9) If a housing and transit reinvestment zone is approved by the committee: 439 (a) the proposed housing and transit reinvestment zone is established according to the 440 terms of the housing and transit reinvestment zone proposal; 441 (b) affected local taxing entities are required to participate according to the terms of the 442 housing and transit reinvestment zone proposal; and 443 (c) each affected taxing municipality is required to participate at the same rate as a 444 participating county. 445 (10) A housing and transit reinvestment zone proposal may be amended by following

the same procedure as approving a housing and transit reinvestment zone proposal.