

1-1 By: Giddings (Senate Sponsor - West) H.B. No. 1289  
1-2 (In the Senate - Received from the House May 4, 2015;  
1-3 May 5, 2015, read first time and referred to Committee on  
1-4 Intergovernmental Relations; May 22, 2015, reported favorably by  
1-5 the following vote: Yeas 7, Nays 0; May 22, 2015, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-8	X			
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1-14	X			

1-15 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-16 AN ACT

1-17 relating to the acquisition and sale of unimproved real property by  
1-18 an urban land bank.

1-19 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-20 SECTION 1. Section 379C.004(a), Local Government Code, is  
1-21 amended to read as follows:

1-22 (a) The governing body of a municipality may adopt an urban  
1-23 land bank demonstration program in which the officer charged with  
1-24 selling real property ordered sold pursuant to foreclosure of a tax  
1-25 lien may sell certain eligible real property by private sale for  
1-26 ~~[purposes of]~~ affordable housing development or other purposes as  
1-27 provided by this chapter.

1-28 SECTION 2. Sections 379C.014(a) and (c), Local Government  
1-29 Code, as added by Chapter 1037 (H.B. 2840), Acts of the 83rd  
1-30 Legislature, Regular Session, 2013, are amended to read as follows:

1-31 (a) Notwithstanding the other provisions of this chapter,  
1-32 the land bank may acquire and sell to a developer property intended  
1-33 for commercial use ~~[to a developer to allow the construction of a~~  
1-34 ~~grocery store that has at least 6,000 square feet of enclosed space~~  
1-35 ~~and that offers for sale fresh produce and other food items for home~~  
1-36 ~~consumption].~~

1-37 (c) A sale under this section within the four-year period  
1-38 following the date of acquisition of the property by the land bank  
1-39 is for a public purpose and satisfies the requirement under Section  
1-40 379C.009(b) that the property be sold within the four-year ~~[that]~~  
1-41 period to a qualified participating developer.

1-42 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
1-43 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
1-44 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
1-45 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
1-46 Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

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