

Regular Session, 2014

HOUSE BILL NO. 1001

BY REPRESENTATIVE WESLEY BISHOP

PROPERTY/ABANDONED: Authorizes the city of New Orleans to sell blighted property in the Lower Ninth Ward for a fixed price

1 AN ACT

2 To enact Chapter 13-A of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be  
3 comprised of R.S. 33.4720.11, relative to the city of New Orleans; to authorize the  
4 city to sell certain abandoned property in the lower ninth ward; to provide for the  
5 duration of the authorization; and to provide for related matters.

6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

7 Section 1. This Act shall be known as the "Lower Ninth Ward Redevelopment Act."

8 Section 2. Chapter 13-A of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950,  
9 comprised of R.S. 33:4720.11, is hereby enacted to read as follows:

10 CHAPTER 13-A. SALE OF ABANDONED PROPERTY

11 §4720.11. Sale of abandoned property in the Lower Ninth Ward

12 A.(1) Pursuant to Article VII, Section 14(B)(13) of the Constitution of  
13 Louisiana, the city of New Orleans may sell property in the Lower Ninth Ward for  
14 one hundred dollars per abandoned parcel.

15 (2) "Abandoned parcel" as referred to in this Section means an immovable  
16 property that has been adjudicated to the city for nonpayment of taxes or which has  
17 been acquired by the city for nonpayment of taxes or other reasons which property  
18 is vacant or not lawfully occupied and which can be used presently for housing or  
19 can be revitalized for housing.

1                    B. Provisions of this Section cease to be effective ten years after the effective  
2                    date of this Section.

3                    Section 3. This Act shall take effect and become operative if and when the Act  
4                    which originated as House Bill No. 489 of this 2014 Regular Session of the Legislature is  
5                    enacted and becomes effective.

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DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Authorizes the city of New Orleans to sell abandoned or blighted property in the Lower Ninth Ward for \$100 per parcel.

Proposed law authorizes the city of New Orleans to sell abandoned parcels that is situated in the Lower Ninth Ward, to private owners or entities for \$100 per parcel. Defines abandoned parcels as means an immovable property that has been adjudicated to a political subdivision for nonpayment of taxes or which has been acquired by a political subdivision for nonpayment of taxes or by other means which property is vacant or not lawfully occupied and which can be used presently for housing or can be revitalized for housing.

Proposed law is only effective upon the passage and enactment of H.B. No. 489 of the 2014 R.S.

(Adds R.S. 33.4720.11)