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To amend section 321.261 of the Revised Code and to 1
repeal Section 757.30 of Am. Sub. H.B. 119 of the 2
127th General Assembly to extend to all counties 3
the authority to utilize surplus delinquent tax 4
collections to facilitate nuisance abatement of 5
deteriorated residential buildings in foreclosure 6
and to terminate the temporary authority of a 7
county with a population exceeding 1.2 million to 8
use such collections to prevent residential 9
mortgage foreclosures. 10

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 321.261 of the Revised Code be 11
amended to read as follows: 12

Sec. 321.261. (A) Five per cent of all delinquent real 13
property, personal property, and manufactured and mobile home 14
taxes and assessments collected by the county treasurer shall be 15
deposited in the delinquent tax and assessment collection fund, 16
which shall be created in the county treasury. ~~The~~ Except as 17
otherwise provided in division (B) of this section, the moneys in 18

the fund, one-half of which shall be appropriated by the board of
county commissioners to the treasurer and one-half of which shall
be appropriated to the county prosecuting attorney, shall be used
solely in connection with the collection of delinquent real
property, personal property, and manufactured and mobile home
taxes and assessments.

Annually by the first day of December, the treasurer and the
prosecuting attorney each shall submit a report to the board
regarding the use of the moneys appropriated to their respective
offices from the delinquent tax and assessment collection fund.
Each report shall specify the amount appropriated to the office
during the current calendar year, an estimate of the amount so
appropriated that will be expended by the end of the year, a
summary of how the amount appropriated has been expended in
connection with delinquent tax collection activities, and an
estimate of the amount that will be credited to the fund during
the ensuing calendar year.

(B) A board of county commissioners may, by resolution,
authorize the use of up to three million dollars each year in the
county's delinquent tax and assessment collection fund to assist
municipal corporations located in the county, upon application to
the county for the funds, in the nuisance abatement of
deteriorated residential buildings in foreclosure, including
paying the costs of securing such buildings, lot maintenance, and
demolition.

Section 2. That existing section 321.261 of the Revised Code
is hereby repealed.

Section 3. That Section 757.30 of Am. Sub. H.B. 119 of the
127th General Assembly is hereby repealed.