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Sponsor(s): Representatives Veloria, Mulliken, Ogden, Fromhold, Upthegrove, Kessler, Schual-Berke, Conway and Kagi

Brief Description: Addressing community renewal.

HB 2357 - DIGEST

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 1ST SUB)

Declares that a "community renewal area" means a blighted area which the local governing body designates as appropriate for a community renewal project or projects.

Declares that a "community renewal plan" means a plan, as it exists from time to time, for a community renewal project or projects, which plan (1) shall be consistent with the comprehensive plan or parts thereof for the municipality as a whole; (2) shall be sufficiently complete to indicate such land acquisition, demolition, and removal of structures, redevelopment, improvements, and rehabilitation as may be proposed to be carried out in the community renewal area; zoning and planning changes, if any, which may include, among other things, changes related to land uses, densities, and building requirements; and the plan's relationship to definite local objectives respecting appropriate land uses, improved traffic, public transportation, public utilities, recreational and community facilities, and other public improvements; and (3) may include a plan to address any persistent high levels of unemployment or poverty in the community renewal area.

Declares that a "community renewal project" includes one or more undertakings or activities of a municipality in a community renewal area: (1) For the elimination and the prevention of the development or spread of blight; (2) for encouraging economic growth through job creation or retention; (3) for redevelopment or rehabilitation in a community renewal area; or (4) any combination or part thereof in accordance with a community renewal plan.