

## 100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2017 and 2018 HB4969

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## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 605/605-1025 new

Amends the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Provides that the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity shall make grants to units of local government and school districts for the redevelopment of unused public buildings into commercial and retail space to be rented at below-market rates to start-up businesses and existing small businesses. Provides that a portion of the space redeveloped with grants and financial assistance provided under this provision is to be set aside for start-up businesses and existing small businesses owned by minorities, women, and persons with disabilities.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY 1 AN ACT concerning State government.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois is amended by adding Section 605-1025 as follows:
- 7 (20 ILCS 605/605-1025 new)
- 8 Sec. 605-1025. Grants to redevelop unused public 9 buildings. To make grants and provide financial assistance to 10 units of local government and school districts for the rehabilitation and redevelopment of unused public buildings 11 12 into commercial and retail space to be rented at below-market rates to start-up businesses and existing small businesses. The 13 14 Department shall by rule provide for a portion of the commercial and retail space rehabilitated and redeveloped with 15 16 grants and financial assistance provided under this Section to be set aside for start-up businesses and existing small 17 businesses owned by minorities, women, and persons with 18 19 disabilities.