

1 AN ACT concerning housing.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Abandoned Housing Rehabilitation Act is  
5 amended by changing Section 2 as follows:

6 (310 ILCS 50/2) (from Ch. 67 1/2, par. 852)

7 Sec. 2. Definitions. As used in this Act:

8 (a) "Property" means any residential real estate which has  
9 been continuously unoccupied by persons legally in possession  
10 for the preceding 1 year.

11 (b) "Nuisance" means any property which because of its  
12 physical condition or use is a public nuisance, or any property  
13 which constitutes a blight on the surrounding area, or any  
14 property which is not fit for human habitation under the  
15 applicable fire, building and housing codes. "Nuisance" also  
16 means any property on which any illegal activity involving  
17 controlled substances (as defined in the Illinois Controlled  
18 Substances Act), methamphetamine (as defined in the  
19 Methamphetamine Control and Community Protection Act), or  
20 cannabis (as defined in the Cannabis Control Act) takes place  
21 or any property on which any streetgang-related activity (as  
22 defined in the Illinois Streetgang Terrorism Omnibus  
23 Prevention Act) takes place.

1 (c) "Organization" means any Illinois corporation, agency,  
2 partnership, association, firm or other entity consisting of 2  
3 or more persons organized and conducted on a not-for-profit  
4 basis with no personal profit inuring to anyone as a result of  
5 its operation which has among its purposes the improvement of  
6 housing.

7 (d) "Parties in interest" means any owner or owners of  
8 record, judgment creditor, tax purchaser, the applicable unit  
9 of local government where the property is located, or other  
10 party having any legal or equitable title or interest in the  
11 property.

12 (e) "Last known address" includes the address where the  
13 property is located, or the address as listed in the tax  
14 records or as listed pursuant to any owner's registration  
15 ordinance duly adopted by a home rule unit of government.

16 (f) "Low or moderate income housing" means housing for  
17 persons and families with low or moderate incomes, provided  
18 that the income limits for such persons and families shall be  
19 the same as those established by rule by the Illinois Housing  
20 Development Authority in accordance with subsection (g) of  
21 Section 2 of the Illinois Housing Development Act, as amended.

22 (g) "Rehabilitation" means the process of improving the  
23 property, including, but not limited to, ensuring that the  
24 proposed improvements conform with a local government's  
25 comprehensive plan or other planning policies and bringing  
26 property into compliance with the applicable unit of local

1 government's fire, housing, licensing, zoning, and building  
2 codes.

3 (Source: P.A. 94-556, eff. 9-11-05.)