1 AN ACT relating to land use.

2 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:

3 → Section 1. KRS 103.200 is amended to read as follows:

4 As used in KRS 103.200 to 103.285:

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- 5 (1) "Building" or "industrial building" means any land and building or buildings
 6 (including office space related and subordinate to any of the facilities enumerated
 7 below), any facility or other improvement thereon, and all real and personal
 8 properties, including operating equipment and machinery deemed necessary in
 9 connection therewith, whether or not now in existence, which shall be suitable for
 10 the following or any combination thereof:
 - (a) Any activity, business, or industry for the manufacturing, processing or assembling of any commercial product, including agricultural, mining, or manufactured products and solar-generated electricity, together with storage, warehousing, and distribution facilities in respect thereof;
 - (b) Any undertaking involving the construction, reconstruction, and use of airports, mass commuting facilities, ship canals, ports or port facilities, docks or wharf facilities or harbor facilities, off-street parking facilities or of railroads, monorails, or tramways, railway or airline terminals, cable television, mass communication facilities, and related facilities;
 - (c) Any buildings, structures, and facilities, including the site thereof and machinery, equipment, and furnishings suitable for use as health-care or related facilities, including without limitation hospitals, clinics, nursing homes, research facilities, extended or long-term care facilities, including housing for the aged or the infirm and all buildings, structures, and facilities deemed necessary or useful in connection therewith;
 - (d) Any nonprofit educational institution in any manner related to or in furtherance of the educational purposes of such institution, including but not

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1		limited to classroom, laboratory, housing, administrative, physical
2		educational, and medical research and treatment facilities;
3	(e)	Any facilities for any recreation or amusement park, public park, or theme
4		park, including specifically facilities for the use of nonprofit entities in
5		making recreational and cultural benefits available to the public;
6	(f)	Any facilities involving manufacturing and service industries which process
7		raw agricultural products, including timber, provide value-added functions, or
8		supply ingredients used for production of basic agricultural crops and
9		products;
10	(g)	Any facilities incident to the development of industrial sites, including land
11		costs and the costs of site improvements thereon, such as grading, streets,
12		drainage, storm and sanitary sewers, and other facilities and structures
13		incidental to the use of such site or sites for industrial use;
14	(h)	Any facilities for the furnishing of water, if available on reasonable demand to
15		members of the general public;
16	(i)	Any facilities for the extraction, production, grading, separating, washing,
17		drying, preparing, sorting, loading, and distribution of mineral resources,
18		together with related facilities;
19	(j)	Any convention or trade show facilities, together with all related and
20		subordinate facilities necessary to the development and proper utilization
21		thereof;
22	(k)	Any facilities designed and constructed to be used as hotels and/or motels,
23		together with all related and subordinate facilities necessary to the operation
24		thereof, including site preparation and similar facilities;
25	(1)	Any activity designed for the preservation of residential neighborhoods,
26		provided that such activity receives approval of the heritage division and

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insures the preservation of not fewer than four (4) family units;

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1		(m)	Any activity designed for the preservation of commercial or residential
2			buildings which are on the National Register of Historic Places or within an
3			area designated as a national historic district or approved by the heritage
4			division;
5		(n)	Any activity, including new construction, designed for revitalization or
6			redevelopment of downtown business districts as designated by the issuer;[
7			and]
8		(o)	Any use by an entity recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as an
9			organization described in 26 U.S.C. sec. 501(c)(3) in any manner related to or
10			in the furtherance of that entity's exempt purposes where the use would also
11			qualify for federally tax-exempt financing under the rules applicable to a
12			qualified 501(c)(3) bond as defined in 26 U.S.C. sec. 145; and
13		<u>(p)</u>	Any activity, including new construction, that would result in an increase of
14			forty-eight (48) units or more to the stock of residential multifamily housing
15			<u>units</u> .
16	(2)	"Bo	nds" or "negotiable bonds" means bonds, notes, variable rate bonds, commercial
17		pape	er bonds, bond anticipation notes, or any other obligations for the payment of
18		mon	ey issued by a city, county, or other authority pursuant to KRS 103.210 to
19		103.	285.
20	(3)	"Sub	ostantiating documentation" means an independent finding, study, report, or
21		asse	ssment of the economic and financial impact of a project, which shall include a
22		revie	ew of customary business practices, terms, and conditions for similar types of
23		proj	ects, both taxable and tax-exempt, in the current market environment.
24		→ S	ection 2. KRS 100.347 is amended to read as follows:
25	(1)	Any	person or entity claiming to be injured or aggrieved by any final action of the
26		boar	rd of adjustment shall appeal from the action to the Circuit Court of the county
27		in w	which the property, which is the subject of the action of the board of adjustment,

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lies. Such appeal shall be taken within thirty (30) days after the final action of the
board. All final actions which have not been appealed within thirty (30) days shall
not be subject to judicial review. The board of adjustment shall be a party in any
such appeal filed in the Circuit Court.

- Any person or entity claiming to be injured or aggrieved by any final action of the planning commission shall appeal from the final action to the Circuit Court of the county in which the property, which is the subject of the commission's action, lies. Such appeal shall be taken within thirty (30) days after such action. Such action shall not include the commission's recommendations made to other governmental bodies. All final actions which have not been appealed within thirty (30) days shall not be subject to judicial review. Provided, however, any appeal of a planning commission action granting or denying a variance or conditional use permit authorized by KRS 100.203(5) shall be taken pursuant to this subsection. In such case, the thirty (30) day period for taking an appeal begins to run at the time the legislative body grants or denies the map amendment for the same development. The planning commission shall be a party in any such appeal filed in the Circuit Court.
- (3) Any person or entity claiming to be injured or aggrieved by any final action of the legislative body of any city, county, consolidated local government, or urban-county government, relating to a map amendment shall appeal from the action to the Circuit Court of the county in which the property, which is the subject of the map amendment, lies. Such appeal shall be taken within thirty (30) days after the final action of the legislative body. All final actions which have not been appealed within thirty (30) days shall not be subject to judicial review. The legislative body shall be a party in any such appeal filed in the Circuit Court.
- (4) The owner of the subject property and applicants who initiated the proceeding shall be made parties to the appeal. Other persons speaking at the public hearing are not

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1		required to be made parties to such appeal.
2	(5)	For purposes of this chapter, final action shall be deemed to have occurred on the
3		calendar date when the vote is taken to approve or disapprove the matter pending
4		before the body.
5	<u>(6)</u>	Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, a person or entity may only appeal
6		a final action pursuant to this subsection if the person or entity owns real
7		property that is continuous to a property whose status would be changed as a

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result of the final action.