

SENATE BILL 1258

By Bunch

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13,
relative to housing.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 13-20-201, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

(a) "Blighted area" means a single parcel of land the condition of which causes the risk of immediate physical harm to people or other property. For purposes of this subsection (a), "physical harm" does not include a loss of property value to surrounding parcels of land, even if caused by the single parcel.

(b) "Dilapidation" means extreme deterioration and decay due to a lack of repairs to and care of the area.

(c) Under no circumstances shall land used predominantly in the production of agriculture, as defined by § 1-3-105, be considered a blighted area as defined in subsection (a).

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009, the public welfare requiring it.