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Section

- 1 & 2** **Cause of action/procedures.** Adds the new brownfield revitalization grant program created in section 4, to the list of initiatives for which the attorney general, development authority, or municipality may seek to recover cleanup costs.
- 3** **Effect of issuance of grants.** Adds the new brownfield revitalization grant program to language specifying state responsibility or liability for contamination cleanup.
- 4** **Brownfields revitalization grants.** Sets up a new brownfields revitalization grant program that would allow development authorities to conduct brownfield site cleanup regardless of whether development is proposed for a site. Grants of up to 75 percent of project costs are authorized. A 25 percent local match is required. Local governments are authorized to establish a special account for the deposit of sale proceeds from revitalized sites. Amounts in the special account may be used to pay the local match. Municipalities may also use general funds, property tax levies, or other unrestricted funds (except TIF) to pay their share of the project costs. One half of the grant money is reserved for the non-metropolitan area (seven county) unless there are insufficient applications for qualified sites outside of the metropolitan area.
- 5** **Appropriation.** Appropriates \$6 million each year beginning in fiscal year 2016 for brownfield revitalization grants.