courts or of any department of any municipality to enforce any provisions of its charter or its ordinances or regulations, or to prevent or punish violations thereof and the powers conferred by this article shall be in addition and supplemental to the powers conferred by any other law.

ARTICLE 3.

IN COUNTIES

**SECTION 3115310.** Definitions.

For the purposes of this article:

(1) “County” shall mean that area comprising the county other than municipalities;

(2) “Public officer” shall mean the officer or officers who are authorized by ordinances adopted hereunder to exercise the powers prescribed by such ordinances;

(3) “Owner” shall mean the holder of the title in fee simple and every mortgagee of record;

(4) “Parties in interest” shall mean all individuals, associations, corporations and others who have interests of record in a dwelling and any who are in possession thereof; and

(5) “Dwelling” shall mean any building or structure, or part thereof, used and occupied for human habitation or intended to be so used and includes any outhouses and appurtenances belonging thereto or usually enjoyed therewith.

**SECTION 3115320.** Repairing, closing or demolishing unfit dwellings.

Whenever the governing body of any county of this State finds that there exist