
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HOUSING.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that neighborhoods across
2 the State are experiencing an increase in the number of homeless
3 individuals living in the streets and parks. The housing crisis
4 is affecting many individuals and families across the State
5 including seniors, those with disabilities, and the working
6 poor. An estimated 21,890 units, 15,590 on Oahu alone, are
7 projected to be needed for households with less than eighty per
8 cent of median income. It is imperative that in the planning
9 for housing and homeless services we not forget those with the
10 lowest incomes in our State.

11 SECTION 2. Section 247-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
12 amended to read as follows:

13 "**§247-7 Disposition of taxes.** All taxes collected under
14 this chapter shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit
15 of the general fund of the State, to be used and expended for
16 the purposes for which the general fund was created and exists
17 by law; provided that of the taxes collected each fiscal year:

18 (1) Ten per cent shall be paid into the land conservation
19 fund established pursuant to section 173A-5;



1 (2) [~~Thirty~~] sixty-five per cent shall be paid into the
2 rental housing trust fund established by section 201G-
3 432; and

4 (3) Twenty-five per cent shall be paid into the natural
5 area reserve fund established by section 195-9;
6 provided that the funds paid into the natural area
7 reserve fund shall be annually disbursed by the
8 department of land and natural resources in the
9 following priority:

10 (A) To natural area partnership and forest
11 stewardship programs after joint consultation
12 with the forest stewardship committee and the
13 natural area reserves system commission;

14 (B) Projects undertaken in accordance with watershed
15 management plans pursuant to section 171-58 or
16 watershed management plans negotiated with
17 private landowners, and management of the natural
18 area reserves system pursuant to section 195-3;
19 and

20 (C) The youth conservation corps established under
21 chapter 193."



1 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$60,000,000, or so
3 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008, for
4 deposit into the rental housing trust fund.

5 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the rental housing
6 trust fund the sum of \$60,000,000, or so much thereof as may be
7 necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008, for the purposes of the
8 rental housing trust fund under section 201H-202, Hawaii Revised
9 Statutes.

10 SECTION 5. There is appropriated out of the general
11 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$, or so much
12 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008, and the
13 same sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
14 2008-2009, to repair and renovate state public housing.

15 SECTION 6. There is appropriated out of the general
16 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$15,000,000, or so
17 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008, and
18 the same sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
19 year 2008-2009, to provide continual operating funds for
20 outreach and supportive services to individuals and families who
21 are homeless.



1 SECTION 7. There is appropriated out of the general
2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$15,000,000, or so
3 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008, and
4 the same sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
5 year 2008-2009, to provide continual operating funds for
6 emergency and transitional shelters to maintain and enhance
7 support services for the homeless population located at homeless
8 shelters.

9 SECTION 8. There is appropriated out of the general
10 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$5,000,000, or so
11 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008, and
12 the same sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
13 year 2008-2009, to provide continual operational funds to
14 provide matching funds for Shelter Plus Care grants.

15 SECTION 9. The sums appropriated in section 4 of this Act
16 shall be expended by the Hawaii housing finance and development
17 corporation for the purposes of this Act.

18 SECTION 10. The sums appropriated in sections 5 through 8
19 shall be expended by the Hawaii public housing authority for the
20 purposes of this Act.

21 SECTION 11. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.

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INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:

Homeless; Public Housing

Description:

Increases the share of the conveyance tax dedicated to the rental housing trust fund to 65% and makes various other appropriations to assist the homeless.

