
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HOUSING.

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

1 PART I

2 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that affordable housing
3 is a serious concern for many Hawaii residents. The *2011 Hawaii*
4 *Housing Planning Study* predicted that up to fifty thousand new
5 housing units would need to be built by 2016 to meet the new
6 demand generated by changing demographics and economic
7 conditions. Failure to produce sufficient units for low- and
8 moderate-income households will cause pent-up demand in these
9 market segments.

10 The legislature also finds that according to the *Hawaii*
11 *Public Housing Authority Annual Report For Fiscal Year 2013*, the
12 Hawaii public housing authority's public housing stock still has
13 extensive and growing capital needs, currently estimated at
14 \$500,000,000, that continue to be underfunded by the United
15 States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

16 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to the
17 Hawaii housing finance and development corporation and the



1 department of Hawaiian home lands to improve the quality of
2 existing public and affordable housing stock and increase the
3 supply of affordable and public housing units in the State.

4 PART II

5 SECTION 2. The director of finance is authorized to issue
6 general obligation bonds in the sum of \$ or so much
7 thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much thereof
8 as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2017-2018
9 for deposit into the rental housing revolving fund established
10 pursuant to section 201H-202, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

11 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the rental housing
12 revolving fund the sum of \$ or so much thereof as may be
13 necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 and the same sum or so much
14 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2018-2019 for the
15 purposes set forth in section 201H-202, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

16 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the Hawaii
17 housing finance and development corporation for the purposes of
18 this part.

19 PART III

20 SECTION 4. The director of finance is authorized to issue
21 general obligation bonds in the sum of \$ or so much



1 thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much thereof
2 as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2017-2018 to
3 be deposited into the dwelling unit revolving fund established
4 pursuant to section 201H-191, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

5 SECTION 5. There is appropriated out of the dwelling unit
6 revolving fund the sum of \$ or so much thereof as may be
7 necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 and the same sum or so much
8 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2018-2019 for the
9 development of infrastructure and improvements of on-site and
10 off-site developments.

11 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the Hawaii
12 housing finance and development corporation for the purposes of
13 this part.

14 PART IV

15 SECTION 6. There is appropriated out of the general
16 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
17 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 and the
18 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
19 2018-2019 for the construction of micro apartment housing units.

20 For the purposes of this part, "micro apartment housing
21 unit" means a dwelling unit with a total floor area of not less



1 than two hundred twenty square feet, and not more than three
 2 hundred twenty square feet for not more than two occupants, and
 3 containing a separate closet, kitchen sink, cooking appliance,
 4 refrigeration facilities, and separate bathroom containing a
 5 toilet and a bathtub or shower. The minimum and maximum total
 6 floor area shall increase an additional one hundred square feet
 7 for each occupant in excess of two.

8 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the Hawaii
 9 housing finance and development corporation for the purposes of
 10 this part.

11 PART V

12 SECTION 7. Native Hawaiians are disproportionately
 13 represented among Hawaii's homeless at twenty-eight per cent of
 14 the homeless served. The legislature finds that homelessness is
 15 often a revolving door for many native Hawaiian families who
 16 struggle with stability and affordable housing and that
 17 increasing the availability of housing on homestead land will go
 18 a long way in improving the stability of native Hawaiian
 19 households.

20 SECTION 8. There is appropriated out of the general
 21 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much



1 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 and the
2 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
3 2018-2019 to construct housing for native Hawaiian beneficiaries
4 on department of Hawaiian home lands homestead land.

5 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
6 of Hawaiian home lands for the purposes of this part.

7 PART VI

8 SECTION 9. Many veterans fall into homelessness due to the
9 shortage of affordable housing. According to the United States
10 Department of Veterans Affairs, one out of every six men and
11 women in our nation's homeless shelters are veterans.

12 SECTION 10. There is appropriated out of the general
13 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
14 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 and the
15 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
16 2018-2019 to build affordable housing projects for veterans.

17 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the Hawaii
18 housing finance and development corporation for the purposes of
19 this part.



PART VII

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2 SECTION 11. No later than twenty days prior to the
3 convening of the regular sessions of 2018 and 2019, the Hawaii
4 housing finance and development corporation and the department
5 of Hawaiian home lands shall each submit to the legislature a
6 report regarding the set-aside plan for upkeep and maintenance
7 of the housing facilities to be constructed pursuant to this
8 Act.

9 SECTION 12. The appropriations made in parts II and III of
10 this Act shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal biennium for
11 which the appropriations are made; provided that all moneys from
12 the appropriations unencumbered as of June 30, 2020, shall lapse
13 as of that date.

14 SECTION 13. This Act shall take effect upon a date to be
15 determined.



Report Title:

Appropriation; Housing Omnibus; Affordable Housing

Description:

Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds and appropriates funds to the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation and the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands for improving and increasing the existing public and affordable housing stock in the State. Requires both agencies to each submit reports to the Legislature prior to the 2018 and 2019 Regular Sessions on the set-aside plan for upkeep and maintenance of the housing facilities to be constructed. (HB389 HD1)

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