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# 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 affordable housing  
2 is a serious concern for many Hawaii residents. According to  
3 the 2011 Hawaii housing planning study, up to fifty thousand new  
4 housing units will need to be built by 2016 to meet the new  
5 demand generated by changing demographics and economic  
6 conditions. Failure to produce sufficient units for low- and  
7 moderate-income households will cause pent-up demand in these  
8 market segments.

9           SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
10 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$15,000,000 or so  
11 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2015-2016 for  
12 the construction of micro apartment housing units.

13           For purposes of this appropriation, "micro apartment  
14 housing unit" means a dwelling unit with a total floor area of  
15 not less than two hundred twenty square feet, and not more than  
16 three hundred twenty square feet for not more than two  
17 occupants, and containing a separate closet, kitchen sink,



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1 cooking appliance, refrigeration facilities, and separate  
 2 bathroom containing a toilet, sink, and a bathtub or shower.  
 3 The minimum and maximum total floor area shall increase an  
 4 additional one hundred square feet for each occupant in excess  
 5 of two.

6 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the Hawaii  
 7 housing finance and development corporation for the purposes of  
 8 this Act.

9 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2015.

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**Report Title:**

Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation;  
Appropriation; Micro Apartment Housing Units

**Description:**

Making an appropriation for the construction of micro apartment housing units.

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