

GOV. MSG. NO. 994

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

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LINDA LINGLE GOVERNOR

June 28, 2007

The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa, President and Members of the Senate Twenty-Fourth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Madam President and Members of the Senate:

This is to inform you that on June 28, 2007, the following bill was signed into law:

HB1364 HD2 SD1 CD1

A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE RENT SUPPLEMENT PROGRAM. (ACT 223)

Sincerely,

LINDA LINGLE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE, 2007 STATE OF HAWAII ACT 223
H.B. NO. H.D. 2
S.D. 1
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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE STATE RENT SUPPLEMENT PROGRAM.

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

SECTION 1. Section 356D-151, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 1 2 amended to read as follows: 3 "[+]\$356D-151[+] Rent supplements. The authority is 4 authorized to make and contract to make annual payments to a 5 ["housing owner"] housing owner on behalf of a ["qualified tenant",] qualified tenant as those terms are defined in this 6 7 part, in amounts and under circumstances as are prescribed [in 8 or pursuant to this part. No payment on behalf of a qualified 9 tenant shall exceed a segregated amount of \$160 a month.] by the 10 authority pursuant to rules adopted by the authority." SECTION 2. Section 356D-153, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 11 12 amended to read as follows: 13 "[$\frac{1}{2}$] §356D-153[$\frac{1}{2}$] Qualified tenant[$\frac{1}{2}$] defined[$\frac{1}{2}$]; 14 preference. (a) As used in this part, [the term] "qualified tenant" means any single person or family, pursuant to criteria 15 16 and procedures established by the authority, who has been 17 determined to have an income not exceeding the [very low-income] 18 income limit as determined by the authority pursuant to rules HB1364 CD1 HMS 2007-4072

- 1 adopted by the authority; provided that the income limit shall
- 2 not exceed ninety-five per cent of the annual median income as
- 3 determined by the United States Department of Housing and Urban
- 4 Development; provided further that the qualified tenant's
- 5 primary place of residence shall be in the State or the
- 6 qualified tenant intends to make the State the qualified
- 7 tenant's primary place of residence. The terms "qualified
- 8 tenant" and "tenant" shall include a person or family who
- 9 satisfies the foregoing requirements and is a member of a
- 10 cooperative [who satisfies the foregoing requirements and] who,
- 11 upon resale of the member's membership to the cooperative, will
- 12 not be reimbursed for more than fifty per cent of any equity
- 13 increment accumulated through payments under this part.
- 14 With respect to members of a cooperative, as used in this
- 15 part, the terms "rental" and "rental charges" mean the charges
- 16 under the occupancy agreements between the members and the
- 17 cooperative.
- (b) The authority shall give preference to qualified
- 19 tenants with incomes at or below eighty per cent of the annual
- 20 median income as determined by the United States Department of
- 21 Housing and Urban Development."

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- 1 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 3 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2008.

APPROVED this 28 day of

JUN

, 2007

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII