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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 50,000 new housing 4 units will need to be built by 2016 to meet the new demand 5 generated by changing demographics and economic conditions. 6 Furthermore, many veterans fall into homelessness due to 7 the shortage of affordable housing. According to the United 8 States Department of Veterans Affairs, one out of every six men 9 and women in our nation's homeless shelters are veterans. **10** There is appropriated out of the general SECTION 2. 11 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ 12 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2014-2015 to 13 build affordable housing projects for veterans. 14 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the Hawaii 15 housing finance and development corporation for the purposes of
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this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2014.

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S.B. NO. **2537**

Report Title:

Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation; Veteran Housing; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds to build affordable housing projects for veterans.

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