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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