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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature recognizes that Hawaii is
- 2 experiencing a severe affordable housing crisis with a lack of
- 3 affordable rental and sale units. Government must do all it can
- 4 to support affordable housing. Hawaii must build at least
- 5 twenty-two thousand affordable rental housing units by 2026.
- 6 According to the "Affordable Rental Housing Report and Ten-
- 7 Year Plan, " prepared by the department of business, economic
- 8 development, and tourism (July 2018), housing demand is
- 9 projected to reach 64,693 units by 2025, with nearly seventy per
- 10 cent (43,828 units) needed for households earning eighty per
- 11 cent or less of the area median income.
- 12 The purpose of this Act is to require that when developers
- 13 make cash payments in lieu of providing the required reserved
- 14 housing units in the development of residential projects for the
- 15 Hawaii Community Development Authority, the cash payments shall
- 16 be deposited into the rental housing revolving fund.

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- 1 SECTION 2. Section 206E-15, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended to read as follows:
- 4 (a) If the authority deems it desirable to develop a
- 5 residential project, it may enter into an agreement with
- 6 qualified persons to construct, maintain, operate, or otherwise
- 7 dispose of the residential project. Sale, lease, or rental of
- 8 dwelling units in the project shall be as provided by the rules
- 9 established by the authority. The authority may enter into
- 10 cooperative agreements with the Hawaii housing finance and
- 11 development corporation for the financing, development,
- 12 construction, sale, lease, or rental of dwelling units and
- 13 projects.
- 14 (b) The authority may transfer the housing fees collected
- 15 from private residential developments for the provision of
- 16 housing for residents of low- or moderate-income to the Hawaii
- 17 housing finance and development corporation for the financing,
- 18 development, construction, sale, lease, or rental of such
- 19 housing within or without the community development districts.
- 20 The fees shall be used only for projects owned by the State or
- 21 owned or developed by a qualified nonprofit organization. For

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- 1 the purposes of this section, "nonprofit organization" means a
- 2 corporation, association, or other duly chartered organization
- 3 registered with the State, which organization has received
- 4 charitable status under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as
- 5 amended.
- 6 (c) Cash payments made by developers in lieu of providing
- 7 the required reserved housing units shall be deposited into the
- 8 rental housing revolving fund established under section 201H-
- 9 202."
- 10 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
- 11 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

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Description:

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