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A BILL FOR AN ACT

AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the rental housing
- 2 revolving fund provides gap financing to developers of
- 3 affordable housing that is targeted to very low income
- 4 households, or households with incomes at or below sixty per
- 5 cent of the area median income, and to extremely low income
- 6 households, or households with incomes at or below thirty per
- 7 cent of the area median income, in the State.
- 8 The legislature further finds that demand for the rental
- 9 housing revolving fund exceeds supply. In 2021, the Hawaii
- 10 housing finance and development corporation awarded \$83,000,000
- 11 from the rental housing revolving fund to seven developers with
- 12 projects totaling 512 housing units. However, in 2021, 16
- 13 developers with projects totaling 2,200 units also requested
- 14 \$269,000,000 from the rental housing revolving fund through the
- 15 competitive application process.

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2	housing revolving fund is limited by the allocation of low-
3	income housing tax credits and private activity bond caps set by
4	the federal government, an additional allocation of funds from
5	the rental housing revolving fund will help build additional
6	affordable homes in the State.
7	The purpose of this Act is to authorize the issuance of
8	general obligation bonds for deposit into the rental housing
9	revolving fund.
10	SECTION 2. The director of finance is authorized to issue
11	general obligation bonds in the sum of \$ or so much
12	thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much thereof
13	as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2022-2023 to
14	be deposited into the rental housing revolving fund established
15	by section 201H-202, Hawaii Revised Statutes.
16	SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2022.
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	INTRODUCED BY:
	By Request

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Report Title:

General Obligation Bonds; Rental Housing Revolving Fund

Description:

Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds, with the bond revenue to be deposited into the rental housing revolving fund.

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