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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE RENTAL HOUSING REVOLVING FUND.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that adequate staffing is necessary to improve the production of affordable housing in the 2 State. While there has been increased demand and interest by 3 developers to utilize the Hawaii housing and finance development 4 5 corporation's financing programs, there are insufficient funds to cover the costs of administering those programs and 6 7 attracting and retaining gualified personnel, commensurate with 8 other state housing finance agencies. 9 The legislature further finds that the rental housing revolving fund is funded by general obligation bonds 10 appropriated by the legislature, conveyance taxes, loan 11 12 application fees, and money from other sources. Specifically authorizing the use of funds for housing finance staff will help 13 14 address stakeholder concerns about the timely processing and

15 closing on loans associated with the rental housing revolving

16 fund.



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The purpose of this Act is to allow the Hawaii housing and
 finance development corporation greater flexibility to use the
 funds in the rental housing revolving fund for necessary
 expenses in administering the corporation's housing finance
 programs.

6 SECTION 2. Section 201H-202, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 7 amended by amending subsections (b) and (c) to read as follows: 8 "(b) An amount from the fund, to be set by the corporation 9 and authorized by the legislature, may be used for 10 administrative expenses incurred by the corporation in 11 administering the [fund;] corporation's housing finance 12 programs; provided that fund moneys may not be used to finance 13 day-to-day administrative expenses of projects allotted fund 14 moneys.

(c) The following may be deposited into the fund:
appropriations made by the legislature, <u>conveyance taxes</u>
<u>pursuant to section 247-7</u>, private contributions, repayment of
loans, interest, other returns, and moneys from other sources."
SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2022.

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