THE SENATE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2024 STATE OF HAWAII

S.B. NO. 2065

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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 Hawaii Revised Statutes is amended by
2	adding a new chapter to be appropriately designated and to read
3	as follows:
4	"CHAPTER
5	HAWAII RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPERS LOAN CORPORATION
6	§ -1 Definitions . As used in this chapter, unless the
7	context otherwise requires:
8	"Board" means the board of directors of the Hawaii
9	residential developers loan corporation.
10	"Bonds" has the same meaning as in section 201H-1.
11	"Corporation" means the Hawaii residential developers loan
12	corporation.
13	"Federal government" has the same meaning as in section
14	201H-1.
15	"Real property" has the same meaning as in section 201H-1.
16	"Trustee" has the same meaning as in section 201H-1.

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"Trust indenture" has the same meaning as in section
 201H-1.

3 § -2 Hawaii residential developers loan corporation;
4 establishment. (a) There is established the Hawaii residential
5 developers loan corporation to be placed within the department
6 of business, economic development, and tourism for
7 administrative purposes only. The corporation shall be a public
8 body and a body corporate and politic.

9 (b) The corporation shall employ, exempt from chapter 76
10 and section 26-35(a)(4), an executive director and an executive
11 assistant to be nominated and, by and with the advice and
12 consent of the senate, appointed by the governor.

13 s -3 Corporation; duties. (a) The corporation shall 14 enhance credit and guarantee and insure loans made by private financial institutions to developers of residential housing 15 16 required to be sold to Hawaii residents who will be owner-17 occupants and who own no other real property. The corporation 18 shall not provide residential mortgage loans to consumers or 19 guarantee or insure residential mortgage loans made to 20 consumers.

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(b) When the application for a loan has been approved by
 the corporation, the corporation shall issue to the lender a
 guarantee for the percentage of the loan for which it guarantees
 payment of principal and interest. The private lender shall
 collect all payments from the borrower and otherwise service the
 loan.

7 -4 Board; establishment, functions, duties. (a) S 8 There is established a board of directors of the Hawaii 9 residential developers loan corporation consisting of nine 10 members, of whom six shall be public members appointed by the 11 governor as provided in section 26-34. At least four of the 12 public members shall have knowledge and expertise in private 13 financing and development of housing. Public members shall be 14 appointed from each of the counties of Honolulu, Hawaii, Maui, 15 and Kauai. The public members of the board shall serve four-16 year staggered terms; provided that the initial appointments 17 shall be as follows:

18 (1) Two members to be appointed for four years;
19 (2) Two members to be appointed for three years; and
20 (3) Two members to be appointed for two years.

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The director of business, economic development, and tourism and 1 2 the director of finance, or their designated representatives, and 3 a representative of the governor's office, shall be ex officio, 4 voting members. The corporation shall be headed by the board. 5 (b) The board shall select a chairperson and vice 6 chairperson from among its members; provided that the 7 chairperson shall be a public member. The director of business, 8 economic development, and tourism, director of finance, and the 9 governor's representative shall be ineligible to serve as 10 chairperson of the board. 11 (c) Five voting members shall constitute a quorum, whose 12 affirmative vote shall be necessary for all actions by the 13 corporation. The members shall receive no compensation for

14 services, but shall be entitled to necessary expenses, including 15 travel expenses, incurred in the performance of their duties.

16 § -5 General powers. (a) The corporation may:

17 (1) Sue and be sued;

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18 (2) Have a seal and alter the same;

19 (3) Make and execute contracts and other instruments
 20 necessary or convenient to the exercise of its powers;

21 (4) Enhance credit;

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1 (5) Adopt bylaws and rules in accordance with chapter 91 2 for its organization, internal management, and to carry into effect its purposes, powers, and programs; 3 4 and 5 Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, establish and (6) 6 collect fees for administrative expenses incurred by 7 the corporation to process applications for loans, 8 grants, services, and real estate documents related to 9 the corporation's functions under this chapter. 10 In addition to other powers conferred upon it, the (b) corporation may do all things necessary and convenient to carry 11 12 out the powers expressly provided in this chapter. 13 S -6 Hawaii residential developers loan revolving fund. 14 There is established the Hawaii residential developers loan (a) 15 revolving fund to be administered by the corporation. The proceeds of the funds shall be used to enhance credit and 16 17 guarantee and insure loans made by private financial 18 institutions to developers of residential housing for Hawaii 19 residents who will be owner-occupants and who own no other real 20 property. The proceeds of the funds shall not be used to

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moneys so pledged and thereafter received shall be filed with 1 2 the bureau of conveyances. Upon the filing, the revenues or 3 moneys so pledged and thereafter received by the corporation 4 shall immediately be subject to the lien of the pledge without 5 any physical delivery thereof or further act, and the lien of 6 the pledge shall be prior to the lien of all parties having 7 claims of any kind in tort, contract, or otherwise against the 8 corporation, irrespective of whether the parties have notice 9 This section shall apply to any financing statement thereof. 10 heretofore or hereafter filed with the bureau of conveyances 11 with respect to any pledge made to secure bonds issued under 12 this chapter.

13 (e) Any loans guaranteed and insured by the corporation 14 pursuant to this chapter shall constitute an "undertaking" 15 within the meaning of that term as defined and used in part III, 16 chapter 39. Any loan program that enhances credit or guarantees 17 and insures loans made by private financial institutions to 18 developers of residential housing required to be sold to Hawaii 19 residents who will be owner-occupants and who own no other real 20 property, and is authorized by and undertaken pursuant to this 21 chapter shall constitute a "loan program" within the meaning of

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that term as defined and used in part III, chapter 39. 1 The 2 corporation shall constitute a "department" and the board shall 3 constitute a "governing body" within the meaning of those terms 4 as defined and used in part III, chapter 39. 5 Neither the members of the board nor any person (f) 6 executing the bonds shall be liable personally on the bonds by 7 reason of the issuance thereof. 8 -8 Bonds; interest rate, price, and sale. (a) S The 9 bonds shall bear interest at rates payable at times that the 10 corporation, with the approval of the governor, may determine 11 except for deeply discounted bonds that are subject to 12 redemption or retirement at their accreted value; provided that 13 the discounted value of the bonds shall not exceed per 14 cent of any issue; and provided further that no bonds may be issued without the approval of the director of finance and the 15 16 governor. Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the 17 corporation, subject to the approval of the director of finance 18 and the governor, may issue bonds pursuant to section -6, in 19 which the discounted value of the bonds exceeds per cent 20 of the issue.

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The corporation may include the costs of undertaking 1 (b) 2 any loan program consistent with the purposes of this chapter for which the bonds are issued in determining the principal 3 amount of bonds to be issued. In determining the costs of 4 undertaking, the corporation may include the cost of studies and 5 6 surveys; insurance premiums; underwriting fees; financial 7 consultant, legal, accounting, and other services incurred; 8 reserve account, trustee, custodian, and rating agency fees; and 9 interest on the bonds for a period determined by the 10 corporation, or the estimated expenditure of borrowed funds for 11 any loan program consistent with the purposes of this chapter 12 for which the bonds are issued.

13 § -9 Trustee; designation, duties. (a) The corporation 14 may designate a trustee for each issue of bonds secured under 15 the same trust indenture; provided that the trustee shall be 16 approved by the director of finance.

17 (b) The trustee shall be authorized by the corporation to 18 receive and receipt for, hold, and administer the proceeds of 19 the bonds, and to apply the proceeds to the purposes for which 20 the bonds are issued.

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1 (C) The trustee shall also be authorized by the 2 corporation to hold and administer any Hawaii residential 3 developers loan revolving funds established pursuant to 4 section -6. The trustee may receive and receipt for, hold, and administer the revenues derived by the corporation pursuant 5 6 to this chapter. The trustee shall apply the revenues to pay 7 any costs of administering and operating the loan program 8 consistent with the purposes of this chapter; to pay the 9 principal of and the interest on issued bonds; to the 10 establishment of reserves; and to other purposes as may be 11 authorized in the proceedings providing for the issuance of the 12 bonds. (d) Notwithstanding section 39-68, the director of finance 13 14 may appoint the trustee to serve as fiscal agent for: 15 (1)The payment of the principal of and interest on the 16 bonds; and 17 The purchase, registration, transfer, exchange, and (2) 18 redemption of the bonds. 19 The trustee shall perform additional functions with (e) 20 respect to the payment, purchase, registration, transfer, 21 exchange, and redemption, as the director of finance may deem

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necessary, advisable, or expeditious, including the holding of 1 the bonds and coupons, if any, that have been paid and the 2 3 supervision of their destruction in accordance with law. Nothing in this chapter shall limit or be construed to 4 (f) limit the powers granted to the director of finance in sections 5 6 36-3, 39-13, and 39-68(a), to appoint the trustee or others as fiscal agents, paying agents, and registrars for the bonds or to 7 8 authorize and empower those fiscal agents, paying agents, and 9 registrars to perform the functions referred to in those 10 sections. 11 S -10 Trust indenture. (a) A trust indenture may

12 contain covenants and provisions authorized by part III of 13 chapter 39, and as deemed necessary or convenient by the 14 corporation for the purposes of this chapter.

(b) A trust indenture may allow the corporation to pledge and assign to the trustee agreements related to the corporation's undertaking of a loan program consistent with the purposes of this chapter and the rights of the corporation thereunder, including the right to receive revenues thereunder and to enforce the provision thereof.

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1 (c) Where a trust indenture provides that any bond issued 2 under that trust indenture is not valid or obligatory for any 3 purpose unless certified or authenticated by the trustee, all 4 signatures of the officers of the State upon the bonds required 5 by section 39-56 may be facsimiles of their signatures. 6 (d) A trust indenture shall also contain provisions as to: 7 (1)The investment of the proceeds of the bonds, the 8 investment of any reserve for the bonds, and the use 9 and application of the earnings from investments; and 10 (2) The terms and conditions upon which the holders of the 11 bonds or any portion of them or any trustee thereof 12 may institute proceedings for the enforcement of any 13 agreement or any note or other undertaking, 14 obligation, or property securing the payment of the 15 bonds and the use and application of the moneys 16 derived therefrom. 17 (e) A trust indenture may also contain provisions deemed 18 necessary or desirable by the corporation to obtain or permit,

19 by grant, interest subsidy, or otherwise, the participation of 20 the federal government in enhancing credit or guaranteeing and 21 insuring loans made by private financial institutions to

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1 developers of residential housing required to be sold to Hawaii
2 residents who will be owner-occupants and who own no other real
3 property."

SECTION 2. The director of finance is authorized to issue
general obligation bonds in the sum of \$200,000,000 or so much
thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much thereof
as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2024-2025
for the purpose of funding the Hawaii residential developers
loan revolving fund established pursuant to section -6,
Hawaii Revised Statutes.

SECTION 3. The appropriation made for the capital improvement project authorized by this Act shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal biennium for which the appropriation is made; provided that all moneys from the appropriation unencumbered as of June 30, 2026, shall lapse as of that date. SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2024.

INTRODUCED BY: Black



Report Title:

Hawaii Residential Developers Loan Corporation; Housing; Developers; Credit Enhancement; Loan Guarantees; Bonding Authority; Hawaii Residential Developers Loan Revolving Fund; GO Bonds; Appropriation

Description:

Establishes the Hawaii Residential Developers Loan Corporation and the Hawaii Residential Developers Loan Revolving Fund for the purpose of enhancing credit and guaranteeing and insuring loans made by private financial institutions to developers of residential housing for Hawaii residents who will be owner-occupants and who own no other real property. Authorizes the Director of Finance to issue general obligation bonds to fund the Hawaii Residential Developers Loan Revolving Fund. Makes an appropriation.

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