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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TENANT SELECTION.

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

1       SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the United States  
2 Department of Housing and Urban Development-Veterans Affairs  
3 Supportive Housing program combines the United States Department  
4 of Housing and Urban Development housing choice voucher rental  
5 assistance for homeless veterans administered by public housing  
6 authorities with case management and clinical services provided  
7 through the Department of Veterans Affairs.

8       The purpose of this Act is to repeal the tenant selection  
9 preferences for disabled veterans and the spouses of deceased  
10 veterans in the State low-income public housing program to make  
11 state law consistent with federal public housing requirements.

12       SECTION 2. Section 356D-42, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
13 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

14       "(a) The authority shall select tenants upon the basis of  
15 those in greatest need for the particular housing, subject to  
16 the following limitations and preferences:



1       (1) The authority may limit the tenants of any state low-  
2       income housing project to classes of persons when  
3       required by federal law or regulation as a term or  
4       condition of obtaining assistance from the federal  
5       government[+]

6       ~~(2) Within the priorities established by the authority~~  
7       ~~recognizing need, veterans with a permanent disability~~  
8       ~~of ten per cent or more, as certified by the United~~  
9       ~~States Department of Veterans Affairs, and their~~  
10      ~~dependent parents, if any. The deceased veteran's~~  
11      ~~spouse shall be given first preference. Parents of~~  
12      ~~veterans shall not use the veteran status of their~~  
13      ~~adult child as a basis for preference]; and~~

14      [~~(3)~~] (2) Subject to any limitations set by federal law or  
15      regulation, the authority shall not select as a  
16      tenant, and may terminate the tenancy of, any person  
17      if the person or any household member owns or acquires  
18      a home within the State."

19      SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
20      and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.



1 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000.



**Report Title:**

Hawaii Public Housing Authority; State Low-Income Housing;  
Tenant Selection; Preferences

**Description:**

Repeals the tenant selection preferences for disabled veterans  
and the spouses of deceased veterans in the State Low-Income  
Housing Program. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

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