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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 the department of  
2        Hawaiian home lands uses the rental housing revolving fund to  
3        develop housing projects. The legislature believes that  
4        expanding the authorized uses of this fund to provide loans or  
5        grants to eligible individuals will not only support the  
6        department of Hawaiian home lands in its mission to develop and  
7        deliver land to native Hawaiians, but will also assist other  
8        middle-class families in Hawaii in purchasing homes.

9        Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to authorize the  
10      rental housing revolving fund to be used to provide loans or  
11      grants to buyers with incomes between sixty-one and one hundred  
12      forty per cent of the median family income to purchase a rental  
13      unit.

14       SECTION 2. Section 201H-204, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
15      amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

16       "(a) Activities eligible for assistance from the fund  
17      shall include but not be limited to:



- (1) New construction, rehabilitation, or preservation of low-income rental housing units that meet the criteria for eligibility described in subsection (c) or section 201H-202(f);
- (2) The leveraging of moneys with the use of fund assets;
- (3) Pre-development activity grants or loans to nonprofit organizations; and
- (4) Acquisition of housing units for the purpose of preservation as low-income or very low-income housing~~[–]~~; and
- (5) Loans or grants to individuals with incomes between sixty-one per cent and one hundred forty per cent of the median family income to purchase a rental unit."

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed

**15** and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

**16** SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval;

17 provided that the amendments made to section 201H-204(a), Hawaii  
18 Revised Statutes, by section 2 of this Act shall not be repealed  
19 when that section is reenacted on June 30, 2030, pursuant to  
20 section 8 of Act 159, Session Laws of Hawaii 2025.



H.B. NO. 2401

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**Report Title:**

Rental Housing Revolving Fund; Loans or Grants; Purchasing Rental Units

**Description:**

Authorizes the Rental Housing Revolving Fund to be used to provide loans or grants to eligible individuals to purchase rental units.

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