ACT 209

H.B. NO. 455

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. **Purpose.** The purpose of this Act is to increase the amount the department is presently authorized to borrow or guarantee on loans from \$18,000,000 to \$21,000,000 to cover the department's projected guarantee requirements for its housing program up to biennium 1979-81.

SECTION 2. Section 214, Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920, as amended, is amended to read:

- "Sec. 214 Purposes of loans; authorized loans. (a) The department may make loans from revolving funds to any lessee to whom, or any cooperative association to which, a lease or license has been issued under section 207 of this Act. Such loans may be made for the following purposes:
 - (1) The repair or maintenance or purchase or erection of dwellings on any tract, and the undertaking of other permanent improvements thereon;
 - (2) The purchase of livestock, swine, poultry, fowl, and farm equipment;

- (3) Otherwise assisting in the development of tracts and of farm and ranch operations;
- (4) The cost of breaking up, planting, and cultivating land and harvesting crops, the purchase of seeds, fertilizers, feeds, insecticides, medicines, and chemicals for disease and pest control for animals and crops, and the related supplies required for farm and ranch operations, the erection of fences and other permanent improvements for farm or ranch purposes and the expense of marketing; and
- (5) To assist lessees in the operation or erection of theaters, garages, service stations, markets, stores, and other mercantile establishments, all of which shall be owned by lessees of the department or by organizations formed and controlled by the lessees.
- (b) In addition the department may:
- (1) Use moneys in the development and operating funds, with the prior approval of the governor, to match federal, state, or county funds available for the same purposes and to that end, enter into such undertaking, agree to such conditions, transfer funds therein available for such expenditure, and do and perform such other acts and things, as may be necessary or required, as a condition to securing matching funds for such projects or works;
- (2) Loan or guarantee the repayment of or otherwise underwrite any authorized loan or portion thereof, up to a maximum of \$35,000 in† lessees in accordance with section 215:
- (3) Loan or guarantee the repayment of or otherwise underwrite any authorized loan or portion thereof to a cooperative association in accordance with section 215:
- (4) Permit and approve loans made to lessees by government agencies or private lending institutions, where the department assures the payment of such loans; provided that upon receipt of notice of default in the payment of such assured loans, the department may, upon failure of the lessee to cure the default within sixty days, cancel the lease and pay the outstanding balance in full or may permit the new lessee to assume the outstanding debt; and provided further that the department shall reserve the following rights: the right of succession to the lessee's interest and assumption of the contract of loan; the right to require that written notice be given to the department immediately upon default or delinquency of the lessee; and any other rights enumerated at the time of assurance necessary to protect the monetary and other interests of the department;
- (5) Secure, pledge, or otherwise guarantee the repayment of moneys borrowed by the department from government agencies or private lending institutions and pay the interim interest or advances required for loans; provided that the State's liability, contingent or otherwise, either on moneys borrowed by the department or on departmental guarantees of loans made to lessees under this paragraph and [paragraph] paragraphs (2), (3), and (4) of this section, shall at no time exceed [\$18,000,000;] \$21,000,000;

- (6) Use available loan fund moneys or other funds specifically available for such purposes as cash guarantees when required by lending agencies;
- (7) Exercise the functions and reserved rights of a lender of money or mortgagee of residential property in all direct loans made by government agencies or by private lending institutions to lessees the repayment of which is assured by the department. The functions and reserved rights shall include but not be limited to, the purchasing, repurchasing, servicing, selling, foreclosing, buying upon foreclosure, guaranteeing the repayment, or otherwise underwriting, of any loan, the protecting of security interest, and after foreclosures, the repairing, renovating, or modernization and sale of property covered by the loan and mortgage."

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. (Approved June 9, 1979.)