**ACT 76** 

H.B. NO. 792

A Bill for an Act Relating to Housing.

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

SECTION 1. Section 359G-4.1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

"§359G-4.1 Housing development; exemption from statutes, ordinances, charter provisions, rules. (a) The authority may develop, on behalf of the State or in partnership, or may assist under a government assistance program in the develop-

ment of housing projects which shall be exempt from all statutes, ordinances, charter provisions, and rules of any governmental agency relating to zoning and construction standards for subdivisions, development and improvement of land and the construction of units thereon; provided that:

- (1) The authority finds the project is consistent with the purpose and intent of this chapter, and meets minimum requirements of health and safety;
- (2) The development of the proposed project does not contravene any safety standards or tariffs approved by the public utilities commission for public utilities; and
- (3) The legislative body of the county in which the project is to be situated shall have approved the project.
  - (A) The legislative body shall approve or disapprove the project within forty-five days after the authority has submitted the plans and specifications for the project to the legislative body. If after the forty-fifth day a project is not diaapproved, it shall be deemed approved by the legislative body.
  - (B) No action shall be prosecuted or maintained against any county, its officials, or employees, on account of actions taken by them in reviewing, approving or disapproving the plans and specifications.
  - (C) The final plans and specifications for the project approved by the legislative body, shall constitute the zoning, building, construction, and subdivision standards for that project. For purposes of sections 501-85 and 502-17, the executive director of the authority or the responsible county official may certify maps and plans of lands connected with the project as having complied with applicable laws and ordinances relating to consolidation and subdivision of lands, and such maps and plans shall be accepted for registration or recordation by the land court and registrar.
- (b) For the purposes of this section, "government assistance program" means a housing program qualified by the authority and administered or operated by the authority or the United States or any of their political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities, corporate or otherwise."

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored.\*

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. (Approved May 28, 1981.)

<sup>\*</sup>The text has been edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5, authorizing omission of the brackets, bracketed material, and underscoring.