

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Hawaii Community Development Authority.  
*Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:*

SECTION 1. Section 206E-20, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

“[ [ ]§206E-20[ ] ] Court proceedings; preferences; venue. Any action or proceeding to which the authority, the State, or the county may be a party, in which any question arises as to the validity of this chapter, shall be preferred over all other civil [causes,] cases, except election cases, in any court of this State and shall be heard and determined in preference to all other civil cases pending therein except election cases, irrespective of position on the calendar. The same preference shall be granted upon application of counsel to the authority in any action or proceeding questioning the validity of this chapter in which the authority may be allowed to intervene. In addition to the preference provided in this section, any such action or proceeding to which the authority, the State, or the county may be a party, in which any question arises as to the validity of this chapter or any portion of this chapter, may be filed in the supreme court of the State, which court is hereby vested with original jurisdiction over such action, and notwithstanding any provision of law to contrary, declaratory relief may be obtained for any such action.”

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed.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

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved April 24, 1985.)