ACT 189

H.B. NO. 1017

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Housing Loan and Mortgage Program. Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. The legislature finds that under the Hula Mae single family mortgage purchase program, the housing and community development corporation of Hawaii is authorized to issue tax-exempt mortgage revenue bonds and make funds available through mortgage lenders at affordable interest rates to households with low to moderate incomes. As of June 30, 1998, over eight thousand first-time home buyers have been provided mortgages through the Hula Mae program. In 1997 and 1998, lenders and private developers requested over \$1,000,000,000 of Hula Mae funds, yet only approximately \$283,000,000 was actually available for lending.

The legislature finds that authorizing the issuance of additional revenue will assist the Hula Mae program.

The purpose of this Act is to authorize the housing and community development corporation of Hawaii to issue up to \$2,275,000,000 in tax-exempt revenue bonds for the Hula Mae single family mortgage purchase program.

SECTION 2. Section 7 of Act 50, Session Laws of Hawaii 1979, as amended by section 3 of Act 288, Session Laws of Hawaii 1980, section 2 of Act 13, First Special Session Laws of Hawaii 1981, section 1 of Act 224, Session Laws of Hawaii 1984, section 1 of Act 171, Session Laws of Hawaii 1991, and section 1 of Act 1, Special Session Laws of Hawaii 1995, is amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 7. Issuance of revenue bonds; amount authorized. Revenue bonds may be issued by the housing [fin] and community development corporation of Hawaii pursuant to part III, chapter 39, and subpart B of part [II] III of chapter [201E,] 201G, Hawaii Revised Statutes, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed [\$1,775,000,000] <u>\$2,275,000,000</u> at such times and in such amounts as it deems advisable for the purpose of undertaking and maintaining any of its housing loan programs in subpart B of part [II] III of chapter [201E,] 201G, Hawaii Revised Statutes, relating to the funding or purchasing of eligible loans."

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed.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

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved July 2, 1999.)