ACT 223

H.B. NO. 536

A Bill for an Act Relating to Public Housing.

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

SECTION 1. Section 356D-42, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"[[]§356D-42[]] Housing; tenant selection. [Subject to the following limitations and preferences, the] (a) The authority shall select tenants upon the basis of those in greatest need for the particular housing[-], subject to the following limitations and preferences:

(1) The authority may limit the tenants of any state low-income housing project to classes of persons when required by federal law or regulation as a term or condition of obtaining assistance from the

federal government[-];

(2) Within the priorities established by the authority recognizing need, veterans with a permanent disability of ten per cent or more, as certified by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs, [the]

and their dependent parents [of-the veteran, and-the], if any. The deceased veteran's widow or widower shall be given first preference. Parents of veterans shall not use the veteran status of their adult child as a basis for preference; and

(3) Subject to any limitations set by federal law or regulation, the authority shall not select as a tenant, and may terminate the tenancy of, any person if the person or any household member owns or acquires a home within the State.

(b) The authority shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91 to carry out

the purposes of this section."

SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were begun before its effective date.

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken.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

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. (Approved June 27, 2013.)