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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC HOUSING.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1           SECTION 1. (a) In accordance with any applicable federal  
2 laws, rules, and regulations, the Hawaii public housing  
3 authority shall develop, implement, and administer a rent-to-own  
4 pilot program for tenants occupying a dwelling unit or living  
5 quarters in a public housing project or state low-income housing  
6 project as defined in section 356D-51, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

7           (b) Under the rent-to-own pilot program, the Hawaii public  
8 housing authority shall establish the sales price of the unit at  
9 the beginning of pilot program and credit a portion of the rent  
10 received from a participant toward the purchase of the unit;  
11 provided that no portion of the rent received from a participant  
12 prior to the start of the pilot program shall be credited toward  
13 the purchase of the unit. The participant shall have the option  
14 of purchasing the unit at the designated sales price at any  
15 point in time during the duration of the pilot program.

16           (c) Participation in the rent-to-own pilot program shall  
17 be voluntary.



1 (d) The Hawaii public housing authority shall designate  
2 certain new public housing projects or new state low-income  
3 housing projects for participation in the pilot program.

4 (e) Prior to establishing the pilot program and whenever  
5 applicable, the Hawaii public housing authority shall consult  
6 with the United States Department of Housing and Urban  
7 Development and shall adopt rules in accordance with chapter 91  
8 for the purposes of administering the rent-to-own pilot program.

9 SECTION 2. The Hawaii public housing authority shall  
10 submit a report regarding the rent-to-own pilot program to the  
11 legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of  
12 the regular sessions of 2021, 2022, 2023, and 2024.

13 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020, and  
14 shall be repealed on June 30, 2023.



S.B. NO. 2042  
S.D. 1

**Report Title:**

Hawaii Public Housing Authority; Rent-to-Own Pilot Program

**Description:**

Requires the Hawaii public housing authority to establish a rent-to-own pilot program subject to any applicable federal law. (SD1)

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