# A BILL FOR AN ACT

AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that there is a dire need 2 for affordable housing in the State, especially among native 3 Hawaiians, particularly native Hawaiian households waiting for a residential lease on Hawaiian home lands. The legislature also 4 finds that the department of Hawaiian home lands has selected a 5 6 partnership to redevelop its property located at 820 Isenberg 7 street on Oahu, the site of the former Stadium Bowl-O-Drome bowling alley, to provide rental housing for native Hawaiian 8 9 beneficiaries. The department of Hawaiian home lands has also published a draft environmental assessment for redevelopment of 10 11 the property.

12 The legislature finds that redevelopment of the 1.9 acre
13 lot will increase the development and construction of affordable
14 housing units for native Hawaiian beneficiaries and will provide
15 another housing option for native Hawaiian beneficiaries,
16 including the opportunity to live in Honolulu's urban core.



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1 The projected costs for construction of the department of 2 Hawaiian home lands property is approximately \$137,000,000, to 3 be financed through a combination of low-income housing tax credits, the rental housing revolving fund, and private sources. 4 5 The rental housing revolving fund, which provides equity-gap 6 low-interest loans to qualified owners and developers 7 constructing affordable housing units, is essential to the 8 development and construction of the project.

9 The purpose of this Act is to authorize the issuance of 10 general obligation bonds to be appropriated into and out of the 11 rental housing revolving fund for redevelopment of the 12 department of Hawaiian home lands property located at 820 13 Isenberg street, Honolulu, Hawaii, for rental housing for native 14 Hawaiian beneficiaries.

15 SECTION 2. The director of finance is authorized to issue 16 general obligation bonds in the sum of \$ or so much 17 thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much thereof 18 as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2022-2023 to 19 be deposited into the rental housing revolving fund established 20 by section 201H-202, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

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1 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the rental housing 2 revolving fund established by section 201H-202, Hawaii Revised 3 Statutes, the sum of \$ or so much thereof as may be 4 necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 for redevelopment of the 5 department of Hawaiian home lands property located at 820 6 Isenberg street, Honolulu, Hawaii, for rental housing for native 7 Hawaiian beneficiaries. 8 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the Hawaii 9 housing finance and development corporation for the purposes of 10 this Act. 11 SECTION 4. The appropriation made for the capital 12 improvement project authorized by this Act shall not lapse at 13 the end of the fiscal biennium for which the appropriation is 14 made; provided that all moneys from the appropriation 15 unencumbered as of June 30, 2024, shall lapse as of that date. 16 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on June 1, 2050. 17



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#### Report Title:

General Obligation Bonds; Department of Hawaiian Home Lands; Affordable Rental Housing; Rental Housing Revolving Fund

#### Description:

Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds to be appropriated into and out of the rental housing revolving fund for redevelopment of the department of Hawaiian home lands property located at 820 Isenberg street, Honolulu, Hawaii, for rental housing for native Hawaiian beneficiaries. Effective 6/1/2050. (HD1)

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