### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THE THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2025

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## **NOTICE OF HEARING**

DATE: Friday, February 7, 2025

TIME: 9:00 AM

PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE

Conference Room #430

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

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<u>HB 1432</u> RELATING TO HOUSING. HSG, FIN

Status Adds loan funds administered by Nonprofit Community Development

Financial Institutions (CDFIs) for certain for-sale affordable housing projects to list of loan priorities for the Affordable Homeownership Revolving Fund. Expands use of moneys in the revolving fund to allow financing as matching funds for CDFIs to mobilize other funding

sources.

HB 1428 RELATING TO HOUSING. HSG, FIN

Status Appropriates funds for the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development

Corporation to allocate to housing counseling agencies certified by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development to provide housing counseling services. Requires a report to the Legislature regarding services provided by the housing counseling

agencies.

HB 833 Status	RELATING TO COMMUNITY LAND TRUSTS.  Authorizes the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation to establish a five-year community land trust equity pilot program to provide community land trusts with a line of credit to fund the acquisition, rehabilitation, renovation, or construction of housing for certain households and report to the Legislature regarding the pilot program. Appropriates moneys from the Dwelling Unit Revolving Fund for establishment of the pilot program.	HSG, FIN
HB 1009 Status	RELATING TO THE DWELLING UNIT REVOLVING FUND. Makes the Dwelling Unit Revolving Fund Equity Pilot Program permanent. Allows partial or full repayment of Dwelling Unit Revolving Fund interim loans in the form of unit equity through the Dwelling Unit Revolving Fund Equity Program.	HSG, FIN
HB 529 Status	RELATING TO STATE FINANCES.  Authorizes the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation to secure a line of credit or other instrument of indebtedness for the Bond Volume Cap Recycling Program.	HSG, FIN
HB 432 Status	RELATING TO THE RENTAL HOUSING REVOLVING FUND. Establishes the mixed-income subaccount within the Rental Housing Revolving Fund that targets workforce rental housing projects for persons and families with incomes at or below one hundred forty per cent of the area median income. Authorizes the Director of Finance to transfer funds from the Rental Housing Revolving Fund into the mixed-income subaccount. Appropriates funds into and out of the mixed-income subaccount of the Rental Housing Revolving Fund.	HSG, FIN
HB 419 Status	RELATING TO HOUSING.  Decreases the time period for the legislative body of a county to approve, approve with modification, or disapprove housing developments exempt from certain requirements pursuant to section 201H-38, HRS, from forty-five days to thirty days.	HSG, JHA
HB 527 Status	RELATING TO HOUSING.  Prohibits the legislative body of a county from making modifications to housing development proposals that would increase the cost of the project.	HSG, JHA
HB 416 Status	RELATING TO HOUSING. Exempts state-financed housing developments from the requirement to obtain approval from the applicable county council.	HSG, JHA
HB 417 Status	RELATING TO THE RENTAL HOUSING REVOLVING FUND. Establishes the Housing Efficiency and Innovation Subaccount within the Rental Housing Revolving Fund. Specifies permissible uses of funding and priorities. Authorizes the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation to transfer funds between the Housing Efficiency and Innovation Subaccount and the RHRF without legislative approval.	HSG, FIN

<u>HB 418</u> RELATING TO HOUSING. HSG, FIN

Establishes a working group to revise the State's Qualified Allocation Plan, the prioritization of the Rental Housing Revolving Fund, and the

terms of loans made from the RHRF. Requires a report to the

Legislature.

Status

HB 1411 RELATING TO HOUSING PREFERENCE. HSG, JHA

Status Allows the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation to

allow projects to grant preferences in the sale or lease of housing units to applicants who live or work within 5 miles of the project.

HB 374 RELATING TO HOUSING. HSG, FIN

Status Requires the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation

(HHFDC) to consider as a preference under chapter 201H, HRS, the proximity between the housing location and the applicant's place of employment; whether the applicant is a state or county employee; and whether the applicant is a returning resident that left the State to attend a university, college, or trade school and has graduated within the past two years. Requires, for any project developed or administered by the HHFDC under chapter 201, HRS, the HHFDC to set aside as a matter of preference an undetermined per cent of available units for state or county employees, when feasible. Requires HHFDC to determine the order of preferences and rank applicants accordingly, select applicants based on application date within the pool of similarly ranked applicants, and validate the preference status of applicants before occupancy of a unit. Authorizes HHFDC to adopt rules to establish

additional eligibility criteria.

HB 373 RELATING TO HOUSING. HSG, FIN

Status Repeals the sunset provision in Act 45, SLH 2024, related to the

counties' authorization to develop, construct, finance, refinance, or

otherwise provide mixed-use developments.

HB 1492 RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING. HSG, FIN

Status Requires the Department of Business, Economic Development, and

Tourism, to establish a comprehensive action plan to establish a local

housing market in Hawaii. Appropriates moneys.

#### DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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