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An Act Appropriating Money to the Hawaii Housing Authority for the Development of Public Housing Projects in Hilo, County of Hawaii, State of Hawaii.

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

SECTION 1. It is the purpose of this Act to assist victims of the tsunami of May 23, 1960, by providing funds and authority to develop housing facilities for such victims within the shortest possible time. It is the belief of the Legislature that such housing can be substantially completed within six to eight months after the effective date of this Act and it is the intent of the Legislature that substantial numbers of housing units shall be ready for occupancy within that time. It is the further intent of the Legislature that this Act shall be administered with the primary objective of relieving distress, and that all powers conferred by this or any other law shall be interpreted broadly until such relief is in fact achieved.

SECTION 2. The Hawaii Housing Authority shall construct public housing units on public lands which may be set aside by the Governor in the immediate vicinity of Hilo, Hawaii, using for such purpose the funds appropriated by this Act or available to the Authority from any other source. Housing so constructed shall be of standard quality and shall conform substantially to the specifications used on other projects controlled by the Authority.

SECTION 3. The funds hereby appropriated shall be expended by the Hawaii Housing Authority for the designated purpose under the provisions of chapters 74, 76 or 77 of the Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955, as amended, only upon the finding that the public housing project found necessary does not qualify for federal aid or participation. Any State housing project constructed under the provisions of this Act shall be constructed concurrently with the federally aided housing.

SECTION 4. There is hereby appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii, not otherwise appropriated, the sum

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of \$500,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the purposes of this Act; provided, that all revenues derived from this project, except for reasonable administrative and operating expenses, shall be credited to the general fund of the State until the sum expended shall be reimbursed without interest and any revenues thereafter shall be credited to the Hawaii Housing Authority.

SECTION 5. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 4, the Authority may expend not more than \$100,000 of the sum appropriated above to pay any amount required of the County of Hawaii as the County's share of contribution toward a federal aid or participating public housing project.

SECTION 6. Any uncommitted funds from the appropriation made in this Act shall lapse into the general fund of the State on the first day of the 1961 regular session of the State Legislature.

SECTION 7. The director of social services shall submit to the members of the State Legislature a full and detailed report of public housing problems in the Hilo area and of the accomplishments under this Act not later than the first day of the 1961 regular session of the State Legislature.

SECTION 8. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved July 6, 1960.) **H.B. 4.**
