

A Bill for an Act Relating to Housing.

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

SECTION 1. Section 359-51, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending the definition of "elderly person" to read as follows:

"Elderly person" means a person who is a bonafide resident of the State and who either:

- (1) Has attained the age of 62; or
- (2) Is unable to engage in any substantial gainful activity by reason of any medically determinable physical or mental impairment which can be expected to result in death or to be of long, continued, and indefinite duration; or
- (3) Has a physical impairment expected to be of long, continued and indefinite duration which substantially impedes his ability to live independently and which could be improved by more suitable housing conditions."

SECTION 2. Section 359-121, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

“Sec. 359-121 Rent supplements. The Hawaii housing authority is authorized to make, and contract to make, annual payments to a “housing owner” on behalf of a “qualified tenant”, as those terms are defined herein, in such amounts and under such circumstances as are prescribed in or pursuant to this part. In no case shall a contract provide for such payments with respect to any housing for a period exceeding forty years. No payment on behalf of a qualified tenant shall exceed a segregated amount of \$70 a month; provided that payments on behalf of elderly persons as defined in section 359-51 shall not exceed a segregated amount of \$90 a month.”

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored. In printing this Act, the revisor of statutes need not include the brackets, the bracketed material, or the underscoring.*

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved June 7, 1976.)

*Edited accordingly.