

ACT 261

H.B. NO. 2912

A Bill for an Act Relating to Housing.

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

SECTION 1. Act 227, Session Laws of Hawaii 1992, is amended by amending section 1 to read as follows:

“SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, each county, no later than December 31, 1993, shall enact such ordinances as may be necessary to decrease, to not more than twelve months, the total time required by the county to review and, if appropriate, grant, all general plan, development plan, community plan, zone change, and discretionary permit approvals to construct housing in that county. Each county shall also enact such ordinances as may be necessary to decrease to no more than six months the total time to process and approve subdivision, grading, building, and other ministerial development permits.

Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, each state agency, not later than December 31, 1993, shall adopt such rules as may be necessary to decrease, to not more than six months, the total time required by all state agencies to review,<sup>1</sup> and<sup>2</sup> if appropriate, grant approvals to construct housing in this State. A state agency reviewing a request to construct housing in the State through a contested case proceeding, may extend the six-month time period for an additional ninety days either upon stipulation of all the parties involved in the contested case proceeding, or upon determination by the agency that additional time is necessary to allow an adequate and complete record to be presented to the agency for its consideration. State agencies shall also adopt rules allowing no more than six months to process and approve other state permits required in connection with housing projects such as permits for wastewater treatment facilities; provided that this six month time period shall run concurrently with, not in addition to, county processing time for ministerial permits.”

SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

**SECTION 3.** This Act shall take effect upon its approval; provided that this Act shall not affect any land use district boundary proceedings that were begun before this Act's effective date.

(Approved June 30, 1994.)

**Notes**

1. Comma should be underscored.
2. Prior to amendment “,” appeared here.