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ENROLLED SENATE BILL No. 382

AN ACT to amend 1966 PA 346, entitled "An act to create a state housing development authority; to define the powers and duties of the authority; to establish a housing development revolving fund; to establish a land acquisition and development fund; to establish a rehabilitation fund; to establish a conversion condominium fund; to authorize the making and purchase of loans, deferred payment loans, and grants to qualified developers, sponsors, individuals, mortgage lenders, and municipalities; to establish and provide acceleration and foreclosure procedures; to provide tax exemption; to authorize payments in lieu of taxes by nonprofit housing corporations, consumer housing cooperatives, limited dividend housing corporations, mobile home park corporations, and mobile home park associations; and to prescribe criminal penalties for violations of this act," by amending sections 1, 22, 32b, 44, and 44d (MCL 125.1401, 125.1422, 125.1432b, 125.1444, and 125.1444d), section 1 as amended by 1984 PA 215, sections 22, 32b, and 44 as amended by 1996 PA 475, and section 44d as added by 1987 PA 86.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Sec. 1. (1) The legislature hereby determines that there exists in the state a seriously inadequate supply of, and a pressing need for, safe and sanitary dwelling accommodations within the financial means of low income or moderate income families or persons, including those families and persons displaced by the clearing of slums and blighted areas or by other public programs; that there exists in this state a high incidence of residential real property occupied by persons of low and moderate income which is not safe, sanitary, or adequate and that there is a pressing need for rehabilitation of that property; that large areas in municipalities have become blighted or, through programs to remove blight, have become vacant, resulting in the impairment or loss of taxable values upon which municipal revenue largely depends; that large numbers of middle and upper income persons and families have left municipalities which have high concentrations of low income persons and families resulting in a high demand for municipal services notwithstanding a low potential for generating revenues necessary to pay for those services; that the existence of blight, the inability to redevelop cleared areas, and the lack of economic integration is detrimental to the general welfare of the citizens of this state and the economic welfare of municipalities in this state; that the financing of housing for persons and families without regard to income will assist in preserving existing values of property within or adjacent to blighted or cleared areas; that economic integration will promote the financial and social stability of housing for families and persons of low and moderate income; that in order to improve and maintain the general character of municipalities having the aforesaid characteristics, it is necessary to promote the development of housing for persons and families without regard to income; that to increase the availability of safe and sanitary housing generally it is necessary to facilitate the purchase of existing housing by making financing for the purchase of existing housing available at affordable interest rates; that there are inadequate social, recreational, commercial, and communal facilities in residential areas inhabited by low income or moderate income families or persons and in areas blighted or vacant because of slum clearance, and that housing financed pursuant to this act will not be viable without adequate social, recreational, commercial, and communal facilities in the surrounding area; and that it is a valid public purpose to finance the acquisition and rehabilitation of existing housing or the construction of additional housing for those low or moderate income families and persons who would otherwise be unable to obtain adequate and affordable dwellings, to finance the rehabilitation of residential real property occupied or to be occupied by persons and families of low and moderate income who would otherwise be unable to afford the purchase or rehabilitation of residential real property which is safe, sanitary, or adequate, to finance housing for persons and families without regard to income in areas in municipalities which are experiencing blight or inability to redevelop land cleared of blight which are predominately populated by low and moderate income persons and families, to finance social, recreational, commercial, and communal facilities to serve those families or persons, to enhance authority-financed housing, to establish and provide acceleration and foreclosure procedures for authorityfinanced housing, and to acquire land for present or future development including that housing and social, recreational, commercial, and communal facilities; that it is a valid public purpose to finance safe, sanitary, and adequate mobile homes, mobile home parks, and mobile home condominium projects for persons and families of low and moderate income in order to facilitate the provision of affordable housing for such persons, to finance mobile homes, mobile home parks, and mobile home condominium projects without regard to income in areas in municipalities which are experiencing blight or inability to redevelop land cleared of blight which are predominately populated by low and moderate income persons and families, and to finance social, recreational, commercial, and communal facilities in mobile home parks and mobile home condominium projects, the financing of mobile homes, mobile home parks, and mobile home condominium projects being necessary to fill a gap in the housing market.

- (2) It is further determined that the supply of low and moderate cost housing available for occupancy by certain persons with disabilities and certain elderly persons is being eroded through greatly increasing rental rates, and the conversion of low and moderate cost rental units into condominium units which are then sold at prices and under financing terms which are not affordable to those persons with disabilities and elderly persons. It is further determined that it is a proper public purpose to prevent the erosion of the supply of existing low and moderate cost housing available for occupancy by certain persons with disabilities and elderly persons by taking appropriate action to prevent the displacement of those persons with disabilities and elderly persons from existing low and moderate cost housing, including the making of loans enabling those persons with disabilities and elderly persons to continue to rent the units in which they reside.
- (3) It is further determined that to assure an adequate supply of safe and sanitary housing for families of low and moderate income within the financial means of those families, it is necessary to facilitate the purchase of safe and sanitary existing housing by those families; that, in addition, new single-family housing construction is inhibited by the inability of prospective purchasers to sell existing single-family residences, and that those conditions result in the reduction of the number of safe and sanitary dwellings which would otherwise be made available to persons of low and moderate income; and that the depressed economy and decreased employment in this state are detrimental to the general welfare of the citizens of this state. It is further determined that it is necessary in order to alleviate those conditions and is a valid public purpose to provide for the financing, with the assistance of the authority, of the purchase of existing single-family residences for occupancy by low and moderate income families and families without regard to income in areas in municipalities which are experiencing blight or inability to redevelop land cleared of blight and which are predominately populated by low and moderate income persons and families.
- (4) It is further determined that there exists in this state a high incidence of residential rental property which is not safe, sanitary, adequate, or energy efficient, and that there is a pressing need for the rehabilitation of residential rental property in order to preserve and improve the state's existing housing stock. It is further determined that it is necessary in order to alleviate those conditions and is a valid public purpose to provide for the financing, with the assistance of the authority, of the rehabilitation of existing residential rental property without regard to the income of the persons or entities owning the property or of the tenants of the property.
- (5) It is further determined that there is a statewide pressing need for programs to alleviate and prevent conditions of unemployment in the housing industry, to preserve existing jobs and create new jobs to meet the employment demands of population growth, to promote the development of construction related business enterprises, to revitalize and diversify the Michigan economy in general, and to achieve the goals of economic growth and full employment.
- (6) It is further determined that the construction and rehabilitation of safe and sanitary dwellings are necessary to the creation and retention of jobs in the state.
- (7) It is further determined that the retention, promotion, and development of the housing industry require additional means of financing to help existing business enterprises expand more rapidly, to promote the location of additional business enterprises in this state, and to alleviate and prevent conditions of unemployment.

- (8) The legislature finds that the conditions described in subsections (1) to (7) cannot be remedied by the ordinary operation of private enterprise without supplementary public participation and that the authority and powers conferred by this act constitute a necessary program and serve a valid public purpose.
- Sec. 22. The authority shall possess all powers necessary or convenient to carry out this act, including the following powers in addition to other powers granted by other provisions of this act:
- (a) To sue and to be sued; to have a seal and to alter the seal at pleasure; to have perpetual succession; to make and execute contracts and other instruments necessary or convenient to the exercise of the powers of the authority; and to make, amend, and repeal bylaws and rules.
- (b) To undertake and carry out studies and analyses of housing needs within this state and ways of meeting those needs, including data with respect to population and family groups, the distribution of population and family groups according to income, and the amount and quality of available housing and its distribution according to rentals and sales prices, employment, wages, and other factors affecting housing needs and the meeting of housing needs; to make the results of those studies and analyses available to the public and the housing and supply industries; and to engage in research and disseminate information on housing.
 - (c) To agree and comply with conditions attached to federal financial assistance.
- (d) To survey and investigate housing conditions and needs, both urban and rural, throughout this state and make recommendations to the governor and the legislature regarding legislation and other measures necessary or advisable to alleviate any existing housing shortage in this state.
- (e) To establish and collect fees and charges in connection with the sale of the authority's publications and the authority's loans, commitments, and servicing, including but not limited to the reimbursement of costs of financing by the authority, service charges, and insurance premiums as the authority determines to be reasonable and as approved by the authority. Fees and charges shall be determined by the authority and shall not be considered to be interest. The authority may use any accumulated fees and charges and interest income for achieving any of the corporate purposes of the authority, to the extent that the fees, charges, and interest income are not pledged to the repayment of bonds and notes of the authority or the interest on those bonds and notes.
 - (f) To encourage community organizations to assist in initiating housing projects as provided in this act.
- (g) To encourage the salvage of all possible usable housing scheduled for demolition because of highway, school, urban renewal, or other programs by seeking authority for the sponsors of the programs to use funds provided for the demolition of the buildings, to be allocated to those sponsors approved by the authority to defray moving and rehabilitation costs of the buildings.
- (h) To engage and encourage research in, and to formulate demonstration projects to develop, new and better techniques and methods for increasing the supply of housing for persons eligible for assistance as provided in this act; and to provide technical assistance in the development of housing projects and in the development of programs to improve the quality of life for all the people of this state.
- (i) To make or purchase loans, including loans for condominium units as defined in section 4 of the condominium act, 1978 PA 59, MCL 559.104, and including loans to mortgage lenders, which are unsecured or the repayments of which are secured by mortgages, security interests, or other forms of security; to purchase and enter into commitments for the purchase of securities, certificates of deposits, time deposits, or mortgage loans from mortgage lenders; to participate in the making or purchasing of unsecured or secured loans and undertake commitments to make or purchase unsecured or secured loans; to sell mortgages, security interests, notes, and other instruments or obligations evidencing or securing loans, including certificates evidencing interests in 1 or more loans, at public or private sale; in connection with the sale of an instrument or obligation evidencing or securing 1 or more loans, to service, guarantee payment on, or repurchase the instrument or obligation, whether or not it is in default; to modify or alter mortgages and security interests; to foreclose on any mortgage, security interest, or other form of security; to finance housing units; to commence an action to protect or enforce a right conferred upon the authority by law, mortgage, security agreement, contract, or other agreement; to bid for and purchase property that was the subject of the mortgage, security interest, or other form of security, at a foreclosure or at any other sale, and to acquire or take possession of the property. Upon acquiring or taking possession of the property, the authority may complete, administer, and pay the principal and interest of obligations incurred in connection with the property, and may dispose of and otherwise deal with the property in any manner necessary or desirable to protect the interests of the authority in the property. If the authority or an entity that provides mortgage insurance to the authority acquires property upon the default of a borrower, the authority may make a mortgage loan to a subsequent purchaser of that property even if the purchaser does not meet otherwise applicable income limitations and purchase price limits.
- (j) To set standards for housing projects that receive loans under this act and to provide for inspections to determine compliance with those standards. The standards for construction and rehabilitation of mobile homes, mobile home parks, and mobile home condominium projects shall be established jointly by the authority and the mobile home commission,

created in the mobile home commission act, 1987 PA 96, MCL 125.2301 to 125.2349. However, financing standards shall be established solely by the authority.

- (k) To accept gifts, grants, loans, appropriations, or other aid from the federal, state, or local government, from a subdivision, agency, or instrumentality of a federal, state, or local government, or from a person, corporation, firm, or other organization.
- (1) To acquire or contract to acquire from a person, firm, corporation, municipality, or federal or state agency, by grant, purchase, or otherwise, leaseholds or real or personal property, or any interest in a leasehold or real or personal property; to own, hold, clear, improve, and rehabilitate and to sell, assign, exchange, transfer, convey, lease, mortgage, or otherwise dispose of or encumber any interest in a leasehold or real or personal property. This act shall not impede the operation and effect of local zoning, building, and housing ordinances, ordinances relating to subdivision control, land development, or fire prevention, or other ordinances having to do with housing or the development of housing.
 - (m) To procure insurance against any loss in connection with the property and other assets of the authority.
- (n) To invest, at the discretion of the authority, funds held in reserve or sinking funds, or moneys not required for immediate use or disbursement, in obligations of this state or of the United States, in obligations the principal and interest of which are guaranteed by this state or the United States, or in other obligations as may be approved by the state treasurer.
- (o) To promulgate rules necessary to carry out the purposes of this act and to exercise the powers expressly granted in this act in accordance with the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328.
- (p) To enter into agreements with nonprofit housing corporations, consumer housing cooperatives, limited dividend housing corporations, mobile home park corporations, and mobile home park associations that provide for regulation by the authority of the planning, development, and management of any housing project undertaken by nonprofit housing corporations, consumer housing cooperatives, limited dividend housing corporations, mobile home park corporations, and mobile home park associations and which provide for the disposition of the property and franchises of those corporations, cooperatives, and associations.
- (q) To appoint to the board of directors of a nonprofit housing corporation, consumer housing cooperative, limited dividend housing corporation, mobile home park corporation, or mobile home park association, a number of new directors sufficient to constitute a majority of the board notwithstanding other provisions of the articles of incorporation or other provisions of law. Directors appointed under this subsection need not be stockholders or members or meet other qualifications that may be described by the certificate of incorporation or bylaws. In the absence of fraud or bad faith, directors appointed under this subsection shall not be personally liable for debts, obligations, or liabilities of the corporation or association. The authority may appoint directors under this subsection only if 1 or more of the following occur:
- (*i*) The nonprofit housing corporation, consumer housing cooperative, limited dividend housing corporation, mobile home park corporation, or mobile home park association has received a loan or advance, as provided for in this act, and the authority determines that the loan or advance is in jeopardy of not being repaid.
- (ii) The nonprofit housing corporation, consumer housing cooperative, limited dividend housing corporation, mobile home park corporation, or mobile home park association received a loan or advance as provided for in this act and the authority determines that the proposed housing project for which the loan or advance was made is in jeopardy of not being constructed.
- (*iii*) The authority determines that some part of the net income or net earnings of the nonprofit housing corporation is inuring to the benefit of a private individual, firm, corporation, partnership, or association; the authority determines that an unreasonable part of the net income or net earnings of the consumer housing cooperative is inuring to the benefit of a private individual, firm, corporation, partnership, or association; or the authority determines that some part of the net income or net earnings of the limited dividend housing corporation, in excess of that permitted by other provisions of this act, is inuring to the benefit of a private individual, firm, corporation, partnership, or association.
- (iv) The authority determines that the nonprofit corporation or consumer housing cooperative is in some manner controlled by, under the direction of, or acting in the substantial interest of a private individual, firm, corporation, partnership, or association seeking to derive benefit or gain from, or seeking to eliminate or minimize losses in any dealings or transactions with, the nonprofit corporation or consumer housing cooperative. However, this subparagraph shall apply to individual cooperators in consumer housing cooperatives only in circumstances defined by the authority in its rules.
- (v) The authority determines that the nonprofit housing corporation, consumer housing cooperative, limited dividend housing corporation, mobile home park corporation, or mobile home park association is in violation of the rules promulgated under this section.
- (vi) The authority determines that the nonprofit housing corporation, consumer housing cooperative, limited dividend housing corporation, mobile home park corporation, or mobile home park association is in violation of 1 or more agreements entered into with the authority that provide for regulation by the authority of the planning, development, and management of a housing project undertaken by the nonprofit housing corporation, consumer housing cooperative,

limited dividend housing corporation, mobile home park corporation, or mobile home park association or that provide for the disposition of the property and franchises of the corporation, or cooperative, or association.

- (r) To give approval or consent to the articles of incorporation submitted to the authority by a corporation seeking approval as a nonprofit housing corporation, consumer housing cooperative, limited dividend housing corporation, or mobile home park corporation under chapter 4, 5, 6, or 8; to give approval or consent to the partnership agreement, joint venture agreement, trust agreement, or other document of basic organization of a limited dividend housing association under chapter 7 or mobile home park association under chapter 9.
- (s) To engage the services of private consultants on a contract basis for rendering professional and technical assistance and advice.
- (t) To lease real or personal property and to accept federal funds for, and participate in, federal programs of housing assistance.
- (u) To review and approve rental charges for authority-financed housing projects and require whatever changes the authority determines to be necessary. The changes shall become effective after not less than 30 days' written notice is given to the residents of the affected authority-financed housing projects.
- (v) To set forth in the various loan documents of the authority those restrictions on the sale, conveyance by land contract, or transfer of residential real property, housing projects, or housing units for which a note is held by the authority and restrictions on the assumption by subsequent purchasers of loans originated by and held by, or originated for purchase by and held by, the authority as the authority determines to be necessary in order to comply with requirements of federal statutes, federal rules or regulations promulgated under sections 551 to 559 of title 5 of the United States code, 5 U.S.C. 551 to 559, state statutes, or state rules promulgated under the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328, or to obtain and maintain the tax exempt status of authority bonds and notes. However, the authority shall not use a due on sale or acceleration clause solely for the purpose of renegotiating the interest rate on a loan made with respect to an owner-occupied single-family housing unit. Without limiting the authority's power to establish other restrictions, as provided in this section, on the sale, conveyance by land contract, or transfer of residential real property, housing projects, or housing units for which a note is held by the authority and the assumption by subsequent purchasers of loans made or purchased by the authority, the authority shall provide in its loan documents relating to a single family loan that the single family loan may be assumed by a new purchaser only when the new purchaser qualifies under the authority income limitations rules except where such a restriction diminishes or precludes the insurance or a guarantee by an agency of the federal government with respect to the single family loan. A loan made for a mobile home that the borrower does not intend to permanently affix to real property shall become immediately due and payable in the event the mobile home is moved out of the state. Any restrictions on conveyance by sale, conveyance by land contract, or transfer that are authorized in this section shall apply only to loans originated by and held by, or originated for purchase by and held by, the authority and may, at the option of the authority, be enforced by accelerating and declaring immediately due and payable all sums evidenced by the note held by the authority. An acceleration and declaration of all sums to be due and payable on conveyance by sale, land contract, or transfer is not an unreasonable restraint on alienation. An acceleration and declaration, unless otherwise prohibited in this subdivision, of all sums to be due and payable under this subdivision is enforceable in any court of competent jurisdiction. This subdivision is applicable to secured and unsecured loans. This subdivision is also applicable to loan documents utilized in conjunction with an authority-operated program of residential rehabilitation by an entity cooperating or participating with the authority under section 22a(4), which loans are originated with the intent to sell those loans to the authority.
- (w) To set forth in the various loan documents of the authority those remedies for the making of a false statement, representation, or pretense or a material misstatement by a borrower during the loan application process. Without limiting the authority's power to pursue other remedies, the authority shall provide in its loan documents that, if a borrower makes a false statement, representation, or pretense or a material misstatement during the loan application process, the authority, at its option, may accelerate and declare immediately due and payable all sums evidenced by the note held by the authority. An acceleration and declaration of all sums to be due as authorized under this subdivision and payable as provided in this subdivision is enforceable in any court of competent jurisdiction. This subdivision is applicable to secured and unsecured loans.
- (x) To collect interest on a real estate loan, the primary security for which is not a first lien on real estate, at the rate of 15% or less per annum on the unpaid balance. This subdivision does not impair the validity of a transaction or rate of interest that is lawful without regard to this subdivision.
- (y) To encourage and engage or participate in programs to accomplish the preservation of housing in this state available for occupancy by persons and families of low or moderate income.
- (z) To verify for the state treasurer statements submitted by a city, village, township, or county as to exempt properties under section 7d of the general property tax act, 1893 PA 206, MCL 211.7d.

- (aa) To enter into interest rate exchanges or swaps, hedges, or similar agreements with respect to its bonds or notes in the same manner and subject to the same limitations and conditions provided for a municipality in section 15 of chapter III of the municipal finance act, 1943 PA 202, MCL 133.15.
- (bb) To make working capital loans to contractors or subcontractors on housing projects financed by the authority. The authority shall submit an annual report to the legislature containing the amount, recipient, duration, circumstance, and other related statistics for each capital loan made to a contractor or subcontractor under this subdivision. The authority shall include in the report statistics related to the cost of improvements made to adapt property for use by disabled individuals as provided in section 32b(5) or (6) or section 44(2)(a).
- (cc) Subject to rules of the civil service commission, to adopt a code of ethics with respect to its employees that requires disclosure of financial interests, defines and precludes conflicts of interest, and establishes reasonable post-employment restrictions for a period of up to 1 year after an employee terminates employment with the authority.
- (dd) To impose covenants running with the land in order to satisfy requirements of applicable federal law with respect to housing assisted or to be assisted through federal programs such as the low income housing tax credit program or the home investment partnerships program by executing and recording regulatory agreements between the authority or such municipality or other entity as may be designated by the authority and the person or entity to be bound. These covenants shall run with the land and be effective with respect to the parties making the covenants and other intended beneficiaries of the covenants, even though there is no privity of estate or privity of contract as between the authority and the persons or entities to be bound.
- (ee) To impose covenants running with the land in order to satisfy requirements of applicable state or federal law with respect to housing financed by the authority by executing and recording regulatory agreements between the authority and the person or entity to be bound. These covenants shall run with the land and be effective with respect to the parties making the covenants and other intended beneficiaries of the covenants, even though there is no privity of estate or privity of contract as between the authority and the persons or entities to be bound. With respect to the application of any applicable environmental laws, this subdivision shall not be construed to grant to the authority any additional rights, privileges, or immunities not otherwise afforded to a private lender that is not in the chain of title for the land.
- (ff) To participate in programs designed to assist persons and families whose incomes do not exceed 115% of the greater of statewide median gross income or the area median gross income become homeowners where loans are made by private lenders for purchase by the government national mortgage association, federal national mortgage association, federal home loan mortgage corporation, or other federally chartered organizations. Participation may include providing or funding homeownership counseling and providing some or all of a reserve fund to be used to pay for losses in excess of insurance coverage.
- (gg) To invest up to 20% of funds held by or for the authority in escrow accounts for the benefit of the authority or mortgagors of authority-financed housing in loans originated or purchased by the authority, under the conditions prescribed in this subdivision and without the consent of the escrow depositors. In connection with loans described in this subdivision, the authority may charge and retain fees in amounts similar to those charged with respect to similar loans for which the source of funding does not come from escrow funds. The investment authorized by this subdivision shall not be made unless both of the following requirements are met:
- (i) The return on the loan is approximately equivalent to that which could be obtained from investments of substantially similar credit quality and maturity, as determined by the authority.
- (ii) The authority agrees to repurchase from its own funds and at the same prices at which the loans were sold to the escrow funds, as adjusted for the accretion of discount or amortization of premium, plus accrued interest, any loans that become delinquent in excess of 30 days. This subdivision does not obligate the authority to purchase a delinquent loan so long as with respect to that loan the authority advances money from its own funds in the amount of the delinquent payments. The authority's election to advance payments does not in any manner abate or cure the delinquency of the loan and the authority may resort to any remedies that would exist in the absence of that payment.
- (hh) To acquire, develop, rehabilitate, own, operate, and enter into contracts with respect to the management and operation of real and personal property to use as office facilities by the authority and to enter into leases with respect to facilities not immediately necessary for the activities of the authority.
- Sec. 32b. (1) The authority is designated as the administrator of the mortgage credit certificate program for this state permitted under section 25 of the internal revenue code. The authority shall elect under section 25 of the internal revenue code to convert at least \$59,000,000.00 of 1985 federal mortgage revenue bond authority into mortgage credit certificate authority.
- (2) The authority shall prepare guidelines that would allow for the implementation of a mortgage credit certificate program through mortgage lenders.

- (3) To qualify for receipt of a mortgage credit certificate with respect to the acquisition of an existing housing unit, including a residential condominium or mobile home, the purchase price with respect to the unit shall not exceed \$80,000.00 and the borrower's family income shall not exceed the following:
- (a) If the housing unit is located in an eligible distressed area, \$47,900.00 on or before May 1, 1995, and \$50,055.00 after that date.
- (b) If the housing unit is located in an area other than an eligible distressed area, \$41,700.00 on or before May 1, 1995, and \$43,575.00 after that date.
- (4) To qualify for receipt of a mortgage credit certificate with respect to the acquisition of a new housing unit, including a residential condominium or mobile home, the purchase price with respect to the unit shall not exceed \$99,000.00 and the borrower's family income shall not exceed the following:
- (a) If the housing unit is located in an eligible distressed area, \$47,900.00 on or before May 1, 1995, and \$50,055.00 after that date.
- (b) If the housing unit is located in an area other than an eligible distressed area, \$41,700.00 on or before May 1, 1995, and \$43,575.00 after that date.
- (5) The authority may increase the purchase price limit in subsection (3) to cover the cost of improvements to adapt the property for use by disabled individuals. The amount of the increase shall be the amount of the costs described in this subsection or the sum of \$3,500.00, whichever is less.
- (6) The authority may increase the purchase price limit in subsection (4) to cover unexpected cost increases during construction or the cost of improvements to adapt the property for use by disabled individuals. The amount of the increase shall be the amount of the costs described in this subsection or the sum of \$3,500.00, whichever is less.
- (7) To qualify for receipt of a mortgage credit certificate with respect to the improvement or rehabilitation of an existing housing unit, including a residential condominium or mobile home, the borrower's family income shall not exceed the following:
- (a) If the housing unit is located in an eligible distressed area, \$47,900.00 on or before May 1, 1995, and \$50,055.00 after that date.
- (b) If the housing unit is located in an area other than an eligible distressed area, \$41,700.00 on or before May 1, 1995, and \$43,575.00 after that date.
- (8) If an income or purchase price limit prescribed by subsection (3), (4), (5), (6), or (7) exceeds an applicable limit prescribed by the internal revenue code, the internal revenue code limit applies. Except with respect to newly constructed housing units, the authority may at any time by resolution establish, for any length of time it deems appropriate, maximum borrower income or purchase price limits more restrictive than those maximum limitations set forth in this section. The authority shall advise the appropriate house and senate standing committees 5 days prior to the adoption of a resolution establishing more restrictive income or purchase price limits.
- (9) The changes made to purchase price limits in subsections (3) and (4) by 1995 PA 186 are retroactive, effective as of October 29, 1993.
- Sec. 44. (1) (a) The authority may make loans to any nonprofit housing corporation, consumer housing cooperative, limited dividend housing corporation, limited dividend housing association, mobile home park corporation, or mobile home park association or to any public body or agency for the construction or rehabilitation, and for the long-term financing, of the following:
 - (i) Housing for low income or moderate income persons.
- (ii) For the period of time beginning May 1, 1984, and ending November 1, 1987, housing projects in which not less than 20% of the dwelling units are allotted to individuals of low or moderate income within the meaning of former section 103(b)(4)(A) of the internal revenue code; not less than 60% of the dwelling units are available to persons and families whose gross household income does not exceed 125% of the higher of either the median income for a family in this state or the median income for a family within the nonmetropolitan county or metropolitan statistical area in which the housing project is located, as determined by the authority; and not more than 20% of the dwelling units are available for occupancy without regard to income. The enactment of this subparagraph or the expiration of the authority granted by it shall not affect rules in effect before July 10, 1984, or promulgated after July 9, 1984, to define low or moderate income persons.
- (iii) For the period of time beginning May 1, 1984, and ending November 1, 1987, housing projects in eligible distressed areas in which housing projects not less than 20% of the dwelling units are allotted to individuals of low or moderate income within the meaning of former section 103(b)(4)(A) of the internal revenue code; not less than 60% of the dwelling units are available to persons and families whose gross household income does not exceed 150% of the higher of either the median income for a family in this state or the median income for a family within the nonmetropolitan county or metropolitan statistical area in which the housing project is located, as determined by the authority, and not more than 20% of the dwelling units are available for occupancy without regard to income.

- (*iv*) Beginning November 1, 1987, multifamily housing projects that meet the 20-50 test established in section 142 of the internal revenue code and, in addition, in which not less than 15% of the dwelling units are allotted to persons and families whose gross household income does not exceed 125% of the higher of either the median income for a family in this state or the median income for a family within the nonmetropolitan county or metropolitan statistical area in which the housing project is located, as determined by the authority, or to the elderly; not less than 15% of the dwelling units are allotted to persons and families whose gross household income does not exceed 150% of the median income for a family in this state or the median income for a family within the nonmetropolitan county or metropolitan statistical area in which the housing project is located, as determined by the authority, or to the elderly; and not more than 50% of the dwelling units are available for occupancy without regard to income.
- (v) Beginning November 1, 1987, multifamily housing projects in eligible distressed areas that meet the 20-50 test established in section 142 of the internal revenue code and, in addition, in which not more than 80% of the dwelling units are available for occupancy without regard to income.
- (vi) Social, recreational, commercial, or communal facilities necessary to serve and improve the residential area in which an authority-financed housing project is located or is planned to be located thereby enhancing the viability of such housing.
- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the authority may establish by resolution such higher income limits as it considers necessary to achieve sustained occupancy of a housing project financed under subsection (1)(a)(i), (ii), (ii), (iv), or (v) if the authority determines all of the following:
- (i) The owner of the housing project exercised reasonable efforts to rent the dwelling units to persons and families whose incomes did not exceed the income limitations originally applicable.
- (*ii*) For any annual period after the first tenant has occupied the housing project, the owner of the housing project has been unable to attain and sustain at least a 95% occupancy level at the housing project.
- (c) A loan under this section may be in an amount not to exceed 90% of the project cost as approved by the authority. For purposes of this section, the term "project cost" includes all items included in the definition of a project cost in section 11 and also includes a builder's fee equal to an amount up to 5% of the amount of the construction contract, developer overhead allowance and fee of 5% of the amount of the project cost, the cost of furnishings, and a sponsor's risk allowance equal to 10% of the project cost. A loan shall not be made under this section unless a market analysis has been conducted that demonstrates a sufficient market exists for the housing project.
- (d) After November 1, 1987, the authority may continue to finance multifamily housing projects for families or persons whose incomes do not exceed the limits provided in subsection (1)(a)(ii) or (iii) or (1)(b), until funds derived from the proceeds of bonds or notes issued before November 2, 1987, for that purpose, including the proceeds of prepayments or recovery payments with respect to these multifamily housing projects, have been expended. Multifamily housing projects or single family housing units in an eligible distressed area which are financed by proceeds of notes or bonds issued before June 30, 1984, and which the authority has designated for occupancy by persons and families without regard to income pursuant to this act shall remain eligible for occupancy by families and persons without regard to income until the authority's mortgage loan issued with respect to these multifamily housing projects is fully repaid.
- (e) Notwithstanding the expiration of lending authority under subsection (1)(a)(*ii*), (*iii*), (*iv*), or (*v*), multifamily housing projects financed under those subparagraphs may continue to remain eligible for occupancy by persons and families whose incomes do not exceed the limits provided in those subparagraphs or subsection (1)(b).
 - (f) For purposes of this subsection:
 - (i) "Gross household income" means gross income of a household as those terms are defined in rules of the authority.
- (ii) "Median income for a family in this state" and "median income for a family within the nonmetropolitan county or metropolitan statistical area" mean those income levels as determined by the authority.
- (2) (a) The authority may make loans to any nonprofit housing corporation, limited dividend housing corporation, mobile home park corporation, or mobile home park association for the construction or rehabilitation of housing units, including residential condominium units as defined in section 4 of the condominium act, 1978 PA 59, MCL 559.104, for sale to individual purchasers of low or moderate income or to individual purchasers without regard to income when the housing units are located in an eligible distressed area. The authority may make or purchase loans to individual purchasers for the long-term financing of a newly rehabilitated, newly constructed, or existing housing unit, including a residential condominium unit as defined in section 4 of the condominium act, 1978 PA 59, MCL 559.104. For a loan for a newly rehabilitated or newly constructed housing unit, including a residential condominium unit, the borrower's family income shall not exceed \$41,700.00 on or before May 1, 1995, and \$43,575.00 after that date and the purchase price of the housing unit shall not exceed \$99,000.00. For unexpected cost increases during construction or improvements to adapt the property for use by disabled individuals, the authority may increase the purchase price limit by an amount sufficient to cover those cost increases, but not to exceed \$3,500.00. For a loan for an existing housing unit, including a residential condominium unit, the borrower's family income shall not exceed \$41,700.00 on or before May 1, 1995, and \$43,575.00 after that date and the purchase price of the housing unit shall not exceed \$80,000.00. For costs for improvements to

adapt an existing housing unit for use by disabled individuals, the authority may increase the purchase price limit by an amount sufficient to cover those cost increases, but not to exceed \$3,500.00. If an income or purchase price limit prescribed by this subsection exceeds an applicable limit prescribed by the internal revenue code, the internal revenue code limit applies. Except with respect to newly constructed housing units, the authority may at any time by resolution establish, for any length of time it considers appropriate, maximum borrower income or purchase price limits more restrictive than those maximum limitations set forth in this section. The authority shall advise the appropriate house and senate standing committees 5 days prior to the adoption of a resolution establishing more restrictive maximum borrower income or purchase price limits. Before making any loan under this section, authority staff shall determine that the borrower has the ability to repay the loan. A loan made or purchased to finance the acquisition of an existing housing unit may include funds for rehabilitation. A loan under this section may be in an amount not to exceed 100% of the project cost as approved by the authority in the case of a limited dividend housing corporation, mobile home park corporation, or mobile home park association. The limits on purchase price prescribed by this subsection are effective retroactively as of October 29, 1993.

- (b) While a loan under this subsection is outstanding, any sale by a nonprofit housing corporation or limited dividend housing corporation or any subsequent resale is subject to approval by the authority. The authority shall provide in its rules concerning these sales and resales that the price of the housing unit sold, the method of making payments after the sale, the security afforded, and the interest rate, fees, and charges to be paid shall at all times be sufficient to permit the authority to make the payments on its bonds and notes and to meet administrative or other costs of the authority in connection with the transactions. Housing units shall be sold under terms that provide for monthly payments including principal, interest, taxes, and insurance.
- (c) While a loan under this subsection is outstanding, the authority, before the approval of sale by a nonprofit housing corporation, limited dividend housing corporation, mobile home park corporation, or mobile home park association, shall satisfy itself that the sale is to persons of low or moderate income if the housing unit is not located in an eligible distressed area, or to persons without regard to income if the housing unit is located in an eligible distressed area.
- (d) Upon the sale by a nonprofit housing corporation, limited dividend housing corporation, mobile home park corporation, or mobile home park association of any housing unit to an individual purchaser of low or moderate income or to an individual purchaser without regard to income if the unit is located in an eligible distressed area under this subsection to whom a loan is being made by the authority, the housing unit shall be released from the mortgage running from the nonprofit housing corporation, limited dividend housing corporation, mobile home park corporation, or mobile home park association to the authority, and the mortgage shall be replaced as to the housing unit by a mortgage running from the individual purchaser to the authority.
- (e) The authority shall encourage nonprofit housing corporations and limited dividend housing corporations engaged in construction or rehabilitation under this subsection to utilize the labor of prospective individual purchasers of low or moderate income in the construction or rehabilitation of the housing units involved. The value of the labor of the prospective purchasers so utilized shall be used to reduce the project costs of the housing units involved.
- (f) In the construction of housing units to be sold to the individual purchasers of low or moderate income at a price not to exceed \$12,000.00, the individual purchasers may be required to perform, in a manner and under conditions to be specified by the authority in its rules, a minimum number of hours of labor. The value of the labor shall be credited to the purchase price.
- (3) A loan shall be secured in a manner and be repaid in a period, not exceeding 50 years, as may be determined by the authority. A loan shall bear interest at a rate determined by the authority.
- (4) A person who, for purposes of securing a loan under this act, misrepresents his or her income, including taking a leave of absence from his or her employment for purposes of diminishing his or her income, is not to be eligible for a loan under this act.
- Sec. 44d. (1) The authority may make loans to any nonprofit housing corporation, consumer housing cooperative, limited dividend housing association, mobile home park association, or mobile home park corporation, or to any public body or agency for the construction or rehabilitation, and for the long-term financing, of housing projects that meet the following criteria:
- (a) The housing project provides a system of support services that promote and preserve the independent living of persons with disabilities, the elderly, or other persons at risk of institutionalization.
- (b) Social, recreational, medical, and shopping facilities are readily accessible to the residents who cannot provide their own transportation.
- (c) An affordable, daily demand actuated transportation system is integrated into the project for elderly and residents with disabilities who are unable to transport themselves.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

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	Secretary of the Senate.
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