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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Assemblyman SCHWARTZ, Assemblywoman PERUN, Assemblymen CHARLES, WATSON, Assemblywoman BROWN, Assemblymen MEYER, VAN WAGNER, PELLY, PATERNITI, DEVERIN, KARCHER, OTLOWSKI, KERN, VILLANE, McENROE, Assemblywoman KALIK and Assemblymen BRYANT and BROWN

An Act to consolidate the New Jersey Housing Finance Agency and the New Jersey Mortgage Finance Agency into a new agency to be known as the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency, establishing its powers and duties, providing for the financing by it of housing in the State and providing for the issuance of bonds, notes and other evidences of financial indebtedness by it.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
- 2 of New Jersey:
- This act shall be known as and may be cited as the "New Jersey
- 2 Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency Law of 1983."
- 1 2. The Legislature hereby finds that:
- 2 a. Changing economic conditions and financial markets have
- 3 reduced the availability in the private sector of feasible construction
- 4 and permanent financing for (1) the construction of new housing,
- 5 (2) the conversion of non-residential structures to housing, (3) the
- 6 rehabilitation and improvement of existing housing and (4) the
- 7 transfer of existing housing among owners; and these conditions
- 8 pertain to both rental housing and owner-occupied housing;
- 9 b. The foregoing conditions adversely affect the economy of this
- 10 State and reduce the number of opportunities for adequate and

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter printed in italics thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in asterisks or stars has been adopted as follows:

- *-Assembly committee amendments adopted May 26, 1983.
- **-Assembly amendments adopted June 13, 1983.
- ***-Senate committee amendments adopted December 8, 1983.

- affordable housing in the State that are available to New Jersey residents;
- 13 c. Since their creation the New Jersey Mortgage Finance Agency
- 14 and the New Jersey Housing Finance Agency have contributed
- 15 significantly to the achievement of the housing goals of New Jersey,
- 16 providing over 30,000 units of affordable rental housing, and nearly
- 17 30,000 loans for homeownership, as well as numerous loans for home
- 18 improvement;
- d. The continued contribution of these two agencies depends on
- 20 the adaptation of their powers to changing federal housing pro-
- 21 grams and policies, financing availability for housing and the
- 22 housing needs of New Jersey residents; and
- e. The combination and enhancement of the powers of the two
- 24 agencies with respect to the full range of housing types would
- 25 achieve an economy of scale and better equip the State to deal with
- 26 the changing housing needs of an increasingly diverse population
- 27 and economy.

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- 28 The Legislature therefore declares that it is in the best interests
- 29 of the residents of New Jersey to create a strong, unified advocate
- 30 for housing production, finance and improvement which will
- 31 combine available talent, resources and experience to:
 - (1) Assure the availability for both rental housing and owner-occupied housing of feasible construction and permanent
- 34 financing for new housing construction, the conversion of
- 35 non-residential structures to housing, the rehabilitation and
- improvement of existing housing, and the transfer of existing
- housing among owners;
- 38 (2) Stimulate the construction, rehabilitation and improve-
- ment of adequate and affordable housing in the State so as to
- 40 increase the number of opportunities for adequate and afford-
- 41 able housing in the State for New Jersey residents, including
- particularly New Jersey residents of low and moderate income;
- 43 (3) Enhance the productive capacity of the private sector in
- meeting the housing needs of the residents of the State;
- 46 and

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47 (5) Respond to changing housing demographic and economic

(4) Assist in the revitalization of the State's urban areas;

- 48 circumstances by the development of innovative and flexible
- 49 finance vehicles.
- 50 Therefore, this act provides for the consolidation of the New
- 51 Jersey Housing Finance Agency and the New Jersey Mortgage
- 52 Finance Agency into an agency to be known as the New Jersey
- 53 Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency.

3. As used in this act:

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- 2 a. "Agency" means the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage
- 3 Finance Agency as consolidated by section 4 of this act, or, if that
- 4 agency shall be abolished by law, the person, board, body or com-
- 5 mission succeeding to the powers and duties thereof or to whom its
- 6 powers and duties shall be given by law.
- 7 b. "Boarding house" means any building, together with any
- 8 related structure, accessory building, any land appurtenant thereto,
- 9 and any part thereof, which contains two or more units of dwelling
- space arranged or intended for single room occupancy, exclusive 10
- of any such unit occupied by an owner or operator, including: (1) 11
- 12any residential hotel or congregate living arrangement, but exclud-
- ing any hotel, motel or established guest house wherein a minimum 13
- of 85% of the units of dwelling space are offered for limited tenure 14
- only; (2) a residential health care facility as defined in section 1 15
- of P. L. 1953, c. 212 (C. 30:11A-1) or licensed pursuant to P. L.
- 17 1971, c. 136 (C. 26:2H-1 et seq.); (3) any foster home as defined in
- 18 section 1 of P. L. 1962, c. 137 (C. 30:4C-26.1); (4) any community
- residence for the developmentally disabled as defined in section 2 19
- of P. L. 1977, c. 448 (C. 30:11B-2); (5) any dormitory owned or 20
- operated on behalf of any nonprofit institution of primary, second-21
- ary or higher education for the use of its students; (6) any building 22
- 23arranged for single room occupancy wherein the units of dwelling
- space are occupied exclusively by students enrolled in a full-time 24
- 25course of study at an institution of higher education approved by
- the Department of Higher Education; and (7) any facility or living 26
- arrangement operated by, or under contract with, any State depart-27
- 28 ment or agency.

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- c. "Bonds" mean any bonds, notes, bond anticipation notes, 29
- debentures or other evidences of financial indebtedness issued by 30
- 31 the agency pursuant to this act.
- 32 d. "Continuing-care retirement community" means any work or
- undertaking, whether new construction, improvement or rehabilita-33
- tion, which may be financed in part or in whole by the agency and 34
- which is designed to complement fully independent residential units 35
- with social and health care services (usually including nursing and 36 medical services) for retirement families and which is intended to
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- 38 provide continuing care for the term of a contract in return for an

entrance fee or periodic payments, or both, and which may include

- such appurtenances and facilities as the agency deems to be neces-**4**0
- 41 sary, convenient or desirable.
- **4**2 e. "Eligible loan" means a loan, secured or unsecured, made for
- the purpose of financing the operation, maintenance, construction,

acquisition, rehabilitation or improvement of property, or the 44 acquisition of a direct or indirect interest *[(including a time-45 46sharing interest) ** in property, located in the State, which is or 47 shall be: (1) primarily residential in character or (2) used or to be used to provide services to the residents of an area or project which 48 49 is primarily residential in character. The agency shall adopt regulations defining the term "primarily residential in character", which 50 may include single-family, multi-family and congregate or other 51single room occupancy housing, continuing-care retirement com-52munities, mobile homes and nonhousing properties and facilities 53 54which enhance the livability of the residential property or area: and specifying the types of residential services and facilities for 55 which eligible loans may be made, which may include, but shall not 56 be limited to, parking facilities, streets, sewers, utilities, and 57 58 facilities, food, laundry*,* health and other services and commercial 59establishments and professional offices providing supplies and services enhancing the area. The term "loan" includes an obligation 60 61the return on which may vary with any appreciation in value of the 62property or interest in property financed with the proceeds of the 63 loan*,* or a coventured instrument by which an institutional lender or the agency assumes an equity position in the property*. Any 64A undivided interest in an eligible loan shall qualify as an eligible 64в loan.

65 f. "Family" means two or more persons who live or expect to live 66 together as a single household in the same dwelling unit; but any individual who (1) has attained retirement age as defined in section 67216a of the federal Social Security Act, or (2) is under a disability 68 as defined in section 223 of that act, or (3) such other individuals 69as the agency by rule or regulation shall include, shall be considered 70 71as a family for the purpose of this act; and the surviving member 72of a family whose other members died during occupancy of a hous-73 ing project shall be considered as a family for the purposes of 74permitting continued occupancy of the dwelling unit occupied by 75such family.

76 g. "Gross aggregate family income" means the total annual in-77come of all members of a family, from whatever source derived, including but not limited to, pension, annuity, retirement and social 78 79security benefits; except that there may be excluded from income 80 (1) such reasonable allowances for dependents, (2) such reasonable allowances for medical expenses, (3) all or any proportionate part 81 82of the earnings of gainfully employed minors, or (4) such income as is not received regularly, as the agency by rule or regulation 84 may determine.

- 85 h. "Housing project" or "project" means any work or undertak-
- 86 ing, other than a continuing-care retirement community, whether
- 87 new construction or rehabilitation, which is designed for the prim-
- 88 ary purpose of providing rental housing of more than 25 dwelling 89 units.
- 90 i. "Housing sponsor" means any person, partnership, corporation
- 91 or association to which the agency has made or proposes to make
- 92 a loan, either directly or through an institutional lender, for a
- 93 housing project.
- 94 j. "Institutional lender" means any bank or trust company, sav-
- 95 ings bank, national banking association, savings and loan associa-
- 96 tion, or building and loan association maintaining an office in the
- 97 State, or any insurance company or any mortgage banking firm or
- 98 mortgage banking corporation authorized to transact business in
- 99 the State.
- 100 k. "Life safety improvement" means any addition, modification
- 101 or repair to a boarding house which is necessary to improve the
- 102 life safety of the residents of the boarding house, as certified by
- 103 the Department of Community Affairs.
- 104 l. "Life safety improvement loan" means an eligible loan the
- 105 proceeds of which are to be used to finance, in whole or in part, the
- 106 construction, acquisition or rendering of life safety improvements
- 107 at or to boarding houses.
- m. "Loan originator" means any bank or trust company, savings
- 109 bank, national banking association, savings and loan association, or
- 110 building and loan association maintaining an office in the State, or
- 111 any insurance company or any mortgage banking firm or mortgage
- 112 banking corporation authorized to transact business in the State,
- 113 or any agency or instrumentality of the United States or the State
- 114 or a political subdivision of the State, which is authorized to make
- 115 eligible loans.
- 116 n. "Municipality" means any *[political subdivision of the State
- 117 other than a county or a school district ** *city of any class or any
- 117A town, township, village or borough*.
- o. "Mutual housing" means a housing project operated or to be
- 119 operated upon completion of construction, improvement or rehabil-
- 120 itation exclusively for the benefit of the families who are entitled to
- 121 occupancy by reason of ownership of stock in the housing sponsor,
- 122 or by reason of co-ownership of premises in a horizontal property
- 123 regime pursuant to P. L. 1963, c. 168; but the agency may adopt
- 124 rules and regulations permitting a reasonable percentage of space
- 125 in such project to be rented for residential or for commercial use.
- 126 p. "Persons and families of low and moderate income" mean

127 persons and families, irrespective of race, creed, national origin or 128 sex, determined by the agency to require assistance on account of 129 personal or family income being not sufficient to afford adequate 130 housing. In making such determination the agency shall take into 131 account the following: (1) the amount of the total income of such 132 persons and families available for housing needs, (2) the size of 133 the family, (3) the cost and condition of housing facilities available 134 and (4) the eligibility of such persons and families to compete 135 successfully in the normal housing market and to pay the amounts 136 at which private enterprise is providing sanitary, decent and safe 137 housing. In the case of projects with respect to which income limits 138 have been established by any agency of the federal government 139 having jurisdiction thereover for the purpose of defining eligibility 140 of low and moderate income families, the agency may determine 141 that the limits so established shall govern. In all other cases income 142 limits for the purpose of defining low or moderate income persons 143 shall be established by the agency in its rules and regulations.

q. "Project cost" means the sum total of all costs incurred in the 144 145 acquisition, development, construction, improvement or rehabilita-146 tion of a housing project, which are approved by the agency as 147 reasonable or necessary, which costs shall include, but are not 148 necessarily limited to, (1) cost of land acquisition and any buildings 149 thereon, (2) cost of site preparation, demolition and development, 150 (3) architect, engineer, legal, agency and other fees paid or payable 151 in connection with the planning, execution and financing of the 152 project, (4) cost of necessary studies, surveys, plans and permits, 153 (5) insurance, interest, financing, tax and assessment costs and 154 other operating and carrying costs during construction, (6) cost of 155 construction, reconstruction, fixtures, and equipment related to the 156 real property, (7) cost of land improvements, (8) necessary ex-157 penses in connection with initial occupancy of the project, (9) a 158 reasonable profit or fee to the builder and developer, (10) an allow-159 ance established by the agency for working capital and contingency 160 reserves, and reserves for any operating deficits, (11) costs of 161 guarantees, insurance or other additional financial security for the 162 project and (12) the cost of such other items, including tenant 163 relocation, as the agency shall determine to be reasonable and 164 necessary for the development of the project, less any and all net 165 rents and other net revenues received from the operation of the real 166 and personal property on the project site during construction, im-167 provement or rehabilitation.

168 All costs shall be subject to approval and audit by the agency. 169 The agency may adopt rules and regulations specifying in detail 170 the types and categories of cost which shall be allowable if actually 171 incurred in the development, acquisition, construction, improvement

172 or rehabilitation of a housing project.

173 r. "Retirement family" means one or more persons related by
174 blood, marriage or adoption who live or expect to live together as
175 a single household in the same dwelling unit, provided that at least
176 one of the persons is an individual who (1) has attained retirement
177 age as defined in section 216a of the Federal Social Security Act, or
178 (2) is under a disability as defined in section 223 of that act, or (3)
179 such individuals as the agency by rule or regulation shall include;
180 and provided further, that the surviving member of a retirement
181 family whose other members died during occupancy of a con182 tinuing-care retirement community shall be considered as a retire183 ment family for purposes of permitting continued occupancy of the

4. a. The New Jersey Housing Finance Agency, created by sec-

184 dwelling unit occupied by such retirement family.

- 2 tion 4 of P. L. 1967, c. 81 (C. 55:14J-4) and the New Jersey Mort-
- 3 gage Finance Agency created by section 4 of L. 1970, c. 38 (C.
- 4 17:1B-7) are hereby consolidated into a single agency which shall
- 5 be known as the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance
- 6 Agency, which shall be a continuance of the corporate existence of
- 7 those agencies.
- 8 b. In this section, the words "original agencies" refer to the
- 9 agencies which are consolidated pursuant to subsection a. of this
- 10 section before their consolidation, and the word "agency" refers
- 11 to the single agency resulting from that consolidation.
- 12 c. All property, rights and powers of each of the original agencies
- 13 are hereby vested in and shall be exercised by the agency, subject,
- 14 however, to all pledges, covenants, agreements and trusts made or
- 15 created by the original agencies, respectively.
- d. All debts, liabilities, obligations, agreements and covenants of
- 17 the original agencies are hereby imposed upon the agency. Any
- 18 property of the original agencies in which a mortgage or security
- 19 interest has been granted to any bondholders or other creditors of
- 20 either of the original agencies shall continue to be subject to that
- 21 mortgage or security interest until the mortgage or security interest
- 22 is *defeased or* terminated in accordance with its terms. All bond-
- 23 holders and other creditors of the original agencies and persons
- 24 having claims against or contracts with the original agencies of any
- 25 kind or character may enforce those debts, claims and contracts
- 26 against the agency in the same manner as they might have against
- 27 the original agencies respectively, and the rights and remedies of
- 28 those bondholders, creditors and persons having claims or contracts
- 28A shall not be limited or restricted in any manner by this act.

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e. In continuing the functions and carrying out the contracts, obligations and duties of the original agencies, the agency is hereby authorized to act in its own name or in the name of either of the

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32 original agencies as may be convenient or advisable.

f. Any references to either of the original agencies in any other law or regulation shall be deemed to refer to and apply to the agency.

36 g. All regulations of the original agencies shall continue to be in 37 effect as the regulations of the agency until amended, supplemented 38 or rescinded by the agency in accordance with law.

h. All employees of the original agencies shall become employees of the agency. Nothing in this title shall affect the civil service status, if any, of those employees or their rights, privileges, obligations or status with respect to any pension or retirement system.

gations or status with respect to any pension or retirement system.

i. The agency is hereby established in, but not of, the Department of Community Affairs and constituted a body politic and corporate and an instrumentality exercising public and essential governmental functions, and the exercise by the agency of the powers conferred by this act shall be deemed and held to be an essential governmental function of the State.

j. The agency shall consist of the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affair's, the State Treasurer, the Attorney General and the Commissioner of Banking, who shall be members ex officio, and three members appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate for terms of three years. The three members appointed by the Governor shall be residents of the State and shall have knowledge in the areas of housing design, construction or operation; finance; urban redevelopment; or community relations. The members first appointed by the Governor shall serve for terms of one year, two years and three years respectively. Each member shall hold office for the term of his appointment and until his successor shall have been appointed and qualified. A member of the agency shall be eligible for reappointment.

k. Each ex officio member of the agency may designate an officer or employee of his department or agency to represent him at meetings of the agency, and each designee may lawfully vote and otherwise act on behalf of the member for whom he constitutes the designee. Any designation shall be in writing, delivered to the agency and shall continue in effect until revoked or amended by writing, delivered to the agency.

70 *** [i.] *** **** Each member of the agency may be removed 71 from office by the Governor, for cause, after a public hearing and may be suspended by the Governor pending the completion of such a hearing. Each member of the agency before entering upon his duties shall take and subscribe an oath to perform the duties of the

75 office faithfully, impartially and justly to the best of his ability. A

76 record of these oaths shall be filed in the office of the Secretary 76A of State.

77 m. Any vacancies in the membership of the agency occurring 78 other than by expiration of term shall be filled in the same manner 79 as the original appointment, but for the unexpired term only.

80 n. The Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs shall be the chairman of the agency and the members shall elect 81 82 one of their number as vice-chairman thereof. The agency shall 83 elect a secretary and a treasurer who need not be members; but the same person may be elected to serve both as secretary and 84 treasurer. The powers of the agency shall be vested in the members 85 86 thereof in office from time to time and four *[voting]* members 87 (which shall include at least two ex officio members) of the agency shall constitute a quorum at any meeting thereof. Action may be 88 89 taken and motions and resolutions adopted by the agency at any meeting thereof by the affirmative vote of at least four *[voting]* 90 members of the agency, which shall include at least two ex officio 91members. No vacancy in the membership of the agency shall im-92pair the right of a quorum to exercise all the powers and perform 9394all the duties of the agency.

95 o. A true copy of the minutes of every meeting of the *[authority * *agency* shall be forthwith delivered by and under the certi-96fication of the secretary thereof to the Governor. No action taken 97at such meeting by the *[authority] * *agency* shall have force or 98 effect until 10 days, Saturdays, Sundays, and public holidays ex-100 cepted, after such copy of the minutes shall have been so delivered 101 unless during such 10-day period the Governor shall approve the 102 same in which case such action shall become effective upon such 103 approval. If, in said 10-day period, the Governor returns such 104 copy of the minutes with veto of any action taken by the *Lauthor-105 ity * *agency* or any member thereof at such meeting, such action 106 shall be null and void and of no effect. The Governor may approve 107 all or part of the action taken at such meeting prior to the expira-107A tion of the said 10-day period.

p. The members of the agency shall serve without compensation, 109 but the agency shall reimburse its members for actual expenses 110 necessarily incurred in the discharge of their duties.

q. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, no officer or 112 employee of the State shall be deemed to have forfeited or shall

- 113 forfeit his office or employment or any benefits or emoluments
- 114 thereof by reason of acceptance of the office of member of the
- 115 agency or his services in such office.
- 116 r. The agency may be dissolved by act of the Legislature on
- 117 condition that the agency has no debts or obligations outstanding or
- 118 provision has been made for the payment or retirement of its
- 119 debts or obligations. Upon dissolution of the agency all property,
- 120 funds and assets thereof shall be vested in the State.
- 1 5. In order to carry out the purposes and provisions of this act,
- 2 the agency, in addition to any powers granted to it elsewhere in
- 3 this act, shall have the following powers:
- 4 a. To adopt bylaws for the regulation of its affairs and the
- 5 conduct of its business; to adopt an official seal and alter the same
- 6 at pleasure; to maintain an office at such place or places within
- 7 the State as it may designate; to sue and be sued in its own name;
- 8 b. To conduct examinations and hearings and to hear testimony
- 9 and take proof, under oath or affirmation, at public or private
- 10 hearings, on any matter material for its information and necessary
- 11 to carry out the provisions of this act;
- 12 c. To issue subpenss requiring the attendance of witnesses and
- 13 the production of books and papers pertinent to any hearing be-
- 14 fore the agency, or before one or more of the members of the agency
- 15 appointed by it to conduct a hearing;
- d. To apply to any court, having territorial jurisdiction of the
- 17 offense, to have punished for contempt any witness who refuses to
- 18 obey a subpena, or who refuses to be sworn or affirmed to testify,
- 19 or who is guilty of any contempt after summons to appear;
- 20 e. To acquire by purchase, gift, foreclosure or condemnation any
- 21 real or personal property, or any interest therein, to enter into any
- 22 lease of property and to hold, sell, assign, lease, encumber, mort-
- 23 gage or otherwise dispose of any real or personal property, or
- 24 any interest therein, or mortgage lien interest owned by it or under
- 25 its control, custody or in its possession and release or relinquish
- 26 any right, title, claim, lien, interest, easement or demand however
- 27 acquired, including any equity or right of redemption, in property
- 28 foreclosed by it and to do any of the foregoing by public or pri-
- 29 vate sale, with or without public bidding, notwithstanding the
- 30 provisions of any other law;
- 31 f. To acquire, hold, use and dispose of its income, revenues,
- 32 funds and moneys;
- 33 g. To adopt rules and regulations expressly authorized by this
- 34 act and such additional rules and regulations as shall be necessary
- or desirable to carry out the purposes of this act****[; it]*** ***.

36 The agency shall adopt regulations which provide for consultation 36A with housing sponsors regarding the formulation of agency rules 36B and regulations governing the operation of housing projects and 36c which require the agency to consult with the affected housing spon-36d sor prior to taking any and all specific proposed agency actions 36E relating to the sponsor's housing project. The agency*** shall 36F publish *** Tthe same I*** *** all rules and regulations *** and file 36g them with the Secretary of State;

37 h. To borrow money or secure credit on a temporary, short-38 term, interim or long-term basis, and to issue negotiable bonds and 39 to secure the payment thereof and to provide for the rights of the 40 holders thereof;

41 i. To make and enter into and enforce all contracts and agree-**4**2 ments necessary, convenient or desirable to the performance of 43 its duties and the execution of its powers under this act, including contracts or agreements with qualified financial institutions for 44 the servicing and processing of eligible loans owned by the agency; 45

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j. To appoint and employ an executive director, who shall be the chief executive officer of the agency, and additional officers, who need not be members of the agency as the agency deems advisable, and to employ architects, engineers, attorneys, accountants, construction and financial experts and other employees and agents as may be necessary in its judgment and to determine their qualifications, terms of office, duties and compensation; and to promote and discharge such officers, employees and agents, all without regard to the provisions of Title 11 of the Revised Statutes, Civil Service;

k. To contract for and to receive and accept any gifts, grants, loans or contributions from any source, of money, property, labor or other things of value, to be held, used and applied to carry out the purposes of this act subject to the conditions upon which the grants and contributions may be made, including, but not limited to, gifts or grants from any department or agency of the United States or the State for payment of rent supplements to eligible families or for the payment in whole or in part of the interest expense for a housing project or for any other purpose consistent with this act;

1. To enter into agreements to pay annual sums in lieu of taxes 66 to any political subdivision of the State with respect to any real 67 property owned or operated directly by the agency; 68

m. To procure insurance against any loss in connection with its 69 operations, property and other assets (including eligible loans) in 70

the amounts and from the insurers it deems desirable;

72 n. To the extent permitted under its contract with the holders of 73 bonds of the agency, to consent to any modification with respect to 74 rate of interest, time and payment of any installment of principal 75 or interest, security or any other terms of any loan to an insti-

76 tutitional lender, eligible loan, loan commitment, contract or 77-78 agreement of any kind to which the agency is a party;

79 o. To the extent permitted under its contract with the holders of bonds of the agency, to enter into contracts with any housing spon-80 sor containing provisions enabling the housing sponsor to reduce 81 82 the rental or carrying charges to persons unable to pay the regular schedule of charges *[whereby] * *where, by * reason of other in-83 come or payment from the agency, any department or agency of 84 the United States or the State, these reductions can be made with-85 out jeopardizing the economic stability of the housing project; 86

p. To make and collect the fees and charges it determines are reasonable;

q. To the extent permitted under its contract with the holders of 89 90 bonds of the agency, to invest and reinvest any moneys of the agency not required for immediate use, including proceeds from 91 the sale of any obligations of the agency, in obligations, securities 9293 or other investments as the agency deems prudent. All functions, powers and duties relating to the investment or reinvestment of 94these funds, including the purchase, sale or exchange of any in-9596 vestments or securities may, upon the request of the agency, be exercised and performed by the Director of the Division of Invest-97 98 ment in the Department of the Treasury, in accordance with written 99 directions of the agency signed by an authorized officer, without 100 regard to any other law relating to investments by the Director of 101 the Division of Investment;

102 r. To provide, contract or arrange for, *[whereby]* *where, by*
103 reason of the financing arrangement, review of the application and
104 proposed construction of a project is required by or in behalf of any
105 department or agency of the United States, consolidated processing
106 of the application or supervision or, in the alternative, to delegate
107 the processing in whole or in part to any such department or
108 agency;

s. To make eligible loans, and to participate with any depart110 ment, agency or authority of the United States or of any state
111 thereof, this State, a municipality, or any banking institution,
112 foundation, labor union, insurance company, trustee or fiduciary
113 in an eligible loan, *[to a housing sponsor]* secured by a single
114 participating mortgage, by separate mortgages or by other security
115 agreements, the interest of each having equal priority as to lien in

- 116 proportion to the amount of the loan so secured, but which need not
- 117 be equal as to interest rate, time or rate of amortization or other-
- 118 wise, and to undertake commitments to make such loans;
- 119 t. To assess from time to time the housing needs of any munici-
- 120 pality which is experiencing housing shortages as a result of the
- 121 authorization of casino gaming and to address those needs when
- 122 planning its programs;
- 123 u. To sell *any eligible loan made by the agency or any loan to an
- 124 institutional lender owned by the agency*, at public or private sale,
- 125 with or without bidding, *[any]* *either singly or in groups, or in
- 126 shares of loans or shares of groups of loans, issue securities, certi-
- 127 ficates or other evidence of ownership secured by such loans or
- 128 groups of loans, sell the same to investors, arrange for the market-
- 128A ing of the same; and to deposit and invest the funds derived from
- 128B such sales in any manner authorized by this act;* *[eligible loan
- 128c or loan owned by the agency to an institutional lender; 1*
- 128b v. To make commitments to purchase, and to purchase, service
- 128E and sell, eligible loans*, pools of loans or securities based on loans,*
- 128r insured *or issued* by any department or agency of the United
- 128g States, and to make loans directly upon the security of any such 128 H loan*, pools of loans or securities*;
- 129 w. To provide such advisory consultation, training and educa-
- 130 tional services as will assist in the planning, construction, rehabili-
- 131 tation and operation of housing including but not limited to assist-
- 132 ance in community development and organization, home manage-
- 133 ment and advisory services for residents and to encourage com-
- 134 munity organizations and local governments to assist in developing
- 135 housing;
- 136 x. To encourage research in and demonstration projects to de-
- 137 velop new and better techniques and methods for increasing the
- 138 supply, types and financing of housing and housing projects in the
- 139 State and to engage in these research and demonstration projects
- 140 and to receive and accept contributions, grants or aid, from any
- 141 source, public or private, including but not limited to the United
- 142 States and the State, for carrying out this purpose;
- 143 y. To provide to housing sponsors, through eligible loans or
- 144 otherwise, financing, refinancing or financial assistance for fully
- 145 completed, as well as partially completed, projects which may or
- 146 may not be occupied, if the projects meet all the requirements of
- 147 this act, except that, prior to the making of the mortgage loan by
- 148 the agency, said projects need not have complied with sections
- 149 7. a. (9) and 40 of this act;
- 150 *z. To encourage and stimulate cooperatives and other forms of
- 151 housing with tenant participation;

- 152 aa. To promote innovative programs for home ownership, in-
- 153 cluding but not limited to lease-purchase programs, employer-
- 154 sponsored housing programs, and tenant cooperatives.
- 155 bb. To set aside and designate, out of the funds that are or may
- 156 become available to it for the purpose of financing housing in this
- 157 State pursuant to the terms of this act, certain sums or proportions
- 158 thereof to be used for the financing of housing and home-ownership
- 159 opportunities, including specifically lease-purchase arrangements,
- 160 provided by employers to their employees through nonprofit or
- 161 limited-dividend corporations or associations created by employers
- 162 for that purpose; and to establish priority in funding, offer bonus
- 163 fund allocations, and institute other incentives to encourage such
- 164 employer-sponsored housing and home-ownership opportunities;*
- 165 *[z.]* *cc.* Subject to any agreement with bondholders, to col-
- 166 lect, enforce the collection of, and *[foreclosure]* *foreclose*
- 167 on any property or collateral securing its eligible loan or loans to
- 168 institutional lenders and acquire or take possession of such prop-
- 169 erty or collateral and sell the same at public or private sale, with
- 170 or without bidding, and otherwise deal with such collateral as may
- 171 be necessary to protect the interests of the agency therein;
- *[aa.]* *dd.* To administer and to enter into agreements to ad-
- 173 minister programs of the federal government or any other entity
- 174 which are in furtherance of the purposes of this act;
- 175 *[bb.]* *ee.* To do and perform any acts and things authorized
- 176 by this act under, through, or by means of its officers, agents or
- 177 employees or by contracts with any person, firm or corporation; and
- 178 *[cc.]* *ff.* To do any acts and things necessary or convenient
- 179 to carry out the powers expressly granted in this act.
- 1 6. a. The agency, in order to encourage the development, opera-
- 2 tion, maintenance, construction, improvement and rehabilitation of
- 3 safe and adequate housing in the State, is hereby authorized and
- 4 empowered to finance, by the making of eligible loans or otherwise,
- 5 the construction, improvement or rehabilitation of housing projects
- 6 in the State.
- 7 b. The agency, in order to carry out the purposes of subsection
- 8 a. of this section, may:
- 9 (1) accept applications for loans;
- 10 (2) enter into agreements with housing sponsors for perma-
- 11 nent loans and temporary loans or advances in anticipation
- of permanent loans for the developments, operation, mainte-
- nance, construction, improvement or rehabilitation of housing
- 14 projects; and

- (3) make permanent loans and temporary loans or advances
 in anticipation of permanent loans to housing sponsors under
 the provisions of this act.
- c. No application for a loan for the construction, improvement or rehabilitation of a housing project containing rental units to be rented at below market rates to be located in any municipality shall be processed unless there is already filed with the secretary of the agency a certified copy of a resolution adopted by the municipality reciting that there is a need for such housing projects in the municipality.
- d. Every application for a loan to a housing sponsor shall be made on forms furnished by the agency and shall contain such information as the agency shall require.

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- e. In considering any application for a loan for a housing project, the agency shall give first priority to applications for loans for the construction, improvement or rehabilitation of housing projects which will be a part of or constructed in connection with an urban redevelopment program, and also shall give consideration to:
 - (1) the comparative need of the area to be served by the proposed project for housing;
 - (2) the ability of the applicant to construct, operate, manage and maintain the proposed housing project;
 - (3) the existence of zoning or other regulations to protect adequately the proposed housing project against detrimental future uses which could cause undue depreciation in the value of the project;
 - (4) the availability of adequate parks, recreational areas, utilities, schools, transportation and parking;
 - (5) the availability of adequate, accessible places of employment; and
 - (6) where applicable, the eligibility of the applicant to make payments to the municipality in which the housing project is located in lieu of local property taxes.
- 7. a. Loans made by the agency to finance housing projects shall be subject to the following terms and conditions:
 - (1) The loan shall be for a period of time not in excess of 50 years as determined by the agency;
- (2) The amount of the loan shall not exceed 90% of the total project cost as determined by the agency, except that as to projects to be owned, constructed, improved, rehabilitated, operated, managed and maintained as mutual housing or by any corporation or association organized not for profit which has as one of its purposes the construction, improvement or

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rehabilitation of housing projects, the amount of the loan shall not exceed 100% of the total project cost as determined by the agency; but the agency may make additional loans to a housing sponsor to which a loan by the agency for the cost of a project is outstanding if and to the extent that the agency finds that such additional loan is required to more adequately secure and protect the project or to avoid a default by the sponsor on the original loan for the cost of the project and is in the best interest of the agency and the holders of its bonds issued to finance the original loan for the cost of the project;

- (3) The interest rate on the loan shall be established by the agency at the lowest level consistent with the agency's cost of operation and its responsibilities to the holders of its bonds;
- (4) The loan shall be evidenced by a mortgage note or bond and by a mortgage which shall be a first lien on the project and which shall contain such terms and provisions and be in a form approved by the agency. The agency shall require the qualified housing sponsor receiving a loan or its contractor to post security in amounts related to the project cost as established by regulation and to execute such other assurances and guarantees as the agency may deem necessary and may require its principals or stockholders to also execute such other assurances and guarantees as the agency may deem necessary;
- (5) The loan shall be subject to an agreement between the agency and the housing sponsor which will subject the housing sponsor and its principals or stockholders to limitations established by the agency as to rentals and other charges, builders' and developers' profits and fees, and the disposition of its property and franchises to the extent more restrictive limitations are not provided by the law under which the borrower is incorporated or organized;
- (6) The loan shall be subject to an agreement between the agency and the housing sponsor limiting the housing sponsor and its principals or stockholders to such rate of return on its investment in the housing project to be assisted with a loan from the agency as shall be fixed from time to time by the agency in its regulations which shall take into account the prevailing rates of return available for similar investments and the risks associated with the development of the project, together with factors designed to promote the objectives of providing affordable housing, encouraging investment in urban development areas, maintaining and improving the existing

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housing stock, and other objectives of this act; but agreements entered into by the predecessors of the agency prior to the effective date of this act shall continue to be subject to any restrictions on rate of return imposed by prior law unless those restrictions are expressly modified pursuant to regulations of the agency. No housing sponsor which is permitted by the provisions of the law under which it is organized or incorporated to earn a return on its investment, nor any of the principals or stockholders of that housing sponsor, shall earn, accept or receive a return on investment greater than the rate of return fixed by the agency in any housing project assisted with a loan from the agency, whether upon the completion of the construction, improvement or rehabilitation of the project, or upon the operation thereof, or upon the sale, assignment or lease of the project to any other person, associa tion or corporation. Any person, association or corporation who violates the provisions of this subsection is guilty of a crime of the fourth degree;

(7) No loan shall be executed except a loan made to a corporation or association organized not for profit which has as one of its purposes the development, construction, improvement or rehabilitation of housing projects or for mutual housing unless the housing sponsor agrees (a) to certify upon completion of project construction, improvement or rehabilitation, subject to audit by the agency, either that the actual project cost as defined herein exceeded the amount of the loan proceeds by 10% or more, or the amount by which the loan proceeds exceed 90% of the total project cost, and (b) to pay forthwith to the agency, for application to reduction of the principal of the loan, the amount, if any, of such excess loan proceeds, subject to audit and determination by the agency. No loan shall be made to a corporation or association organized not for profit or for mutual housing unless the corporation or association organized not for profit or for mutual housing agrees to certify the actual project cost upon completion of the project, subject to audit and determination by the agency, and further agrees to pay forthwith to the agency, for application to reduction of the principal of the loan, the amount, if any, by which the proceeds of the loan exceed the certified project cost subject to audit and determination by the agency. Notwithstanding the provisions of this paragraph, the agency may accept, in lieu of any certification of project cost as provided herein, such other assurances of the project

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cost in any form or manner whatsoever, as will enable the agency to determine with reasonable accuracy the amount of the project cost;

- (8) No loan shall be made for the construction, improvement or rehabilitation of a housing project for which tax exemption is granted by a municipality unless the tax exemption remains in effect during the entire term of the loan, unless a lesser period of tax exemption is approved by the agency; and
- (9) The loan shall be subject to an agreement between the agency and the qualified housing sponsor which contains a provision stating the prevailing wage rate, as determined by either the Commissioner of Labor and Industry or the Secretary of the United States Department of Labor in accordance with the provisions of section 40 of this act, which can be paid to the workmen employed in the performance of any contract for the construction or rehabilitation of any housing project, and which stipulates that the qualified housing sponsor, or any builder, contractor or subcontractor thereof, shall pay to such workmen not less than the applicable prevailing wage 116 rate pursuant to that section.
- 117 b. As a condition of any loan to finance a housing project, the 118 agency shall have the power at all times during the construction, 119 improvement or rehabilitation of a housing project and the opera-120 tion thereof:
 - (1) To enter upon and inspect without prior notice any project, including all parts thereof, for the purpose of investigating the physical and financial condition thereof, and its construction, improvement, rehabilitation, operation, management and maintenance, and to examine all books and records with respect to capitalization, income and other matters relating thereto and to make such charges as may be required to cover the cost of such inspections and examinations:
 - (2) To order such alterations, changes or repairs as may be necessary to protect the security of its investment in a housing project or the health, safety, and welfare of the occupants thereof;
 - (3) To order any managing agent, project manager or owner of a housing project to do such acts as may be necessary to comply with the provisions of all applicable laws or ordinances or any rule or regulation of the agency or the terms of any agreement concerning the project or to refrain from doing any acts in violation thereof and in this regard the agency shall be a proper party to file a complaint and to prosecute

thereon for any violations of law or ordinances as set forth herein;

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- (4) To require the adoption and continuous use of uniform systems of accounts and records for a project and to require all owners or managers of a project to file annual reports containing that information and verified in such manner as the agency shall require, and to file at the times and on the forms as it may prescribe, reports and answers to specific inquiries required by the agency to determine the extent of compliance with any agreement, the terms of the loan, the provisions of this act and any other applicable law;
- (5) To enforce, by court action if necessary, the terms and provisions of any agreement between the agency and the housing sponsor and the terms of any agreement between the housing sponsor and any municipality granting tax exemption, as to schedules of rental or carrying charges, income limits as applied to tenants or occupants, or any other limitation imposed upon the housing sponsor as to financial structure, construction or operation of the project; ****[and]****
- (6) ****[In]*** ***Subject to the provisions of paragraph (7) of subsection b. of this section, in^{***} the event of a violation by the housing sponsor of the terms of any agreement between the agency and the housing sponsor, or between the municipality granting tax exemption and the housing sponsor, or in the event of a violation by the housing sponsor of this act or of the terms of the loan agreement or of any rules and regulations of the agency duly promulgated pursuant to this act, or in the event that the agency shall determine that any loan or advance from the Housing Development Fund pursuant to section 28 of this act is in jeopardy of not being repaid, the agency may, without resort to any judicial process, assume all of the powers and duties of the housing sponsor in the management and operation of the project, including but not limited to the power to receive all revenues and pay all expenses of the project and the power to control all property, including bank accounts and cash, owned by the housing sponsor. The agency may appoint such person or persons whom the agency in its sole discretion deems advisable, including officers or employees of the agency, to perform the functions of the officers or other controlling persons of the housing sponsor. Persons so appointed need not be stockholders or meet other qualifications which may be prescribed by the certificate of incorporation, bylaws or partnership agreement

183 of the housing sponsor. In the absence of fraud or bad faith, 184 persons so appointed shall not be personally liable for debts, obligations or liabilities of the housing sponsor. Persons so 185-186 appointed shall serve only for a period coexistent with the duration of the violation or until the agency is assured in a 188 189 manner satisfactory to it that the violation, or violations of a similar nature, will not reoccur. Persons so appointed shall 190 191 serve in such capacity without compensation, but shall be 192 entitled to be reimbursed, if and as the certificate of incorpora-193 tion, bylaws or partnership agreement of the housing sponsor 194 may provide, for all necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties as determined by the agency***.*** 195 ***; and***

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(7) The provisions of this subsection and this act pertaining to the regulation of housing sponsors shall be for purposes of protecting the collateral for any loan or loans; implementing or enforcing any condition, requirement or criteria for loans as provided in this act or other applicable law; and securing the rights and remedies of lenders and bond holders to the extent of the undertakings of the agency. Subject to the foregoing, the agency shall permit, provide for and encourage the right of local housing sponsors to exercise their own initiative and competence in the administration of their assets and the conduct and operation of housing projects and exercise their rights and responsibilities to the fullest extent permitted by law. Therefore, the agency shall exercise its remedies and powers under paragraph (6) of this subsection only with regard to material violations and only after reasonable notice and reasonable opportunity to correct the violation is provided to the housing sponsor in accordance with regulations adopted by the agency.

1 8. a. Admission to housing projects constructed, improved or rehabilitated under this act shall be limited to families whose gross aggregate family income at the time of admission does not 3 exceed six times the annual rental or carrying charges, including 4 5 the value or cost to them of heat, light, water, sewerage, parking facilities and cooking fuel, of the dwellings that may be furnished 6 to such families, or seven times those charges if there are three or 7 8 more dependents. There may be included in the carrying charges 9 to any family for residence in any mutual housing project constructed, improved or rehabilitated with a loan from the agency 10 an amount equal to 6% of the original cash investment of the 11 12 family in the mutual housing project and, to the extent authorized

by the agency where not included in the carrying charges, the 13 value or cost of repainting the apartment and replacing any fixtures or appliances. Notwithstanding the provisions of this 15section, no family or individual shall be eligible for admission to 16 17 any housing project constructed, improved or rehabilitated with a 18 loan from the agency, whose gross aggregate family income exceeds such amount as shall be established from time to time by 19 20 the agency, by rules or regulations promulgated hereunder; except 21that with respect to any project financed by an agency loan insured 22 or guaranteed by the United States of America or any agency or 23instrumentality thereof, the agency may adopt the admission 24standards for such projects then currently utilized or required by 25the guarantor or insurer.

b. The agency shall by rules and regulations provide for the 26-29 periodic examination of the income of any person or family resid-31 ing in any housing project constructed, improved or rehabilitated 32with a loan from the agency. If the gross aggregate family income of a family residing in a housing project increases and the ratio to 33 34 the current rental or carrying charges of the dwelling unit becomes greater than the ratio prescribed for admission in subsection a. of 35 36 this section but is not more than 25% above the family income so 37 prescribed for admission to the project, the owner or managing agent of the housing project shall permit the family to continue to 38 occupy the unit. The agency or (with the approval of the agency) 39 the housing sponsor of any housing project constructed, improved 40 or rehabilitated with a loan from the agency, may terminate the 41 42 tenancy or interest of any family residing in the housing project 43 whose gross aggregate family income exceeds by 25% or more the amount prescribed herein and which continues to do so for a period 44 of six months or more; but no tenancy or interest of any such 45 family in any such housing project shall be terminated except upon 46 reasonable notice and opportunity to obtain suitable alternate hous-47 ing, in accordance with rules and regulations of the agency; and 48 any such family, with the approval of the agency, may be permitted 49to continue to occupy the unit, subject to payment of a rent or 50carrying *charge* surcharge to the housing sponsor in accordance 51 with a schedule of surcharges fixed by the agency. The housing 52 sponsor shall pay the surcharge to the municipality granting tax 53 exemption, but only up to an amount that together with payments 54made to the municipality in lieu of taxes and for any land taxes 55 equals 25% of the total rents or carrying charges of the housing 56 project for the current and any prior years that the project has 57 57A been in operation.

c. For projects on which the agency has made a loan and financed the loan with the proceeds of bonds issued prior to January 1, 1973, any remainder of the surcharge, or the total surcharge if tax exemption has not been granted, shall be paid into the housing finance fund securing the bonds issued to finance the project for the use of the agency; for projects financed on or after January 1, 1973, any remainder of the surcharge, or the total surcharge if tax exemption has not been granted, shall be paid to the agency.

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d. Any family residing in a mutual housing project required to remove from the project because of excessive income as herein provided shall be discharged from liability on any note, bond or other evidence of indebtedness relating thereto and shall be reimbursed, in accordance with the rules of the agency, for all sums paid by the family to the housing sponsor on account of the purchase of stock or debentures as a condition of occupancy or on account of the acquisition of title for such purpose.

e. The agency shall establish admission rules and regulations for any housing project financed in whole or in part by loans authorized hereunder which shall provide priority categories for persons displaced by urban renewal projects, highway programs or other public works, persons living in substandard housing, persons and families who, by reason of family income, family size or disabilities, have special needs, elderly persons and families living under conditions violative of minmum health and safety standards.

9. a. The agency may institute any action or proceeding against any housing sponsor receiving a loan under the provisions hereof, or owning any housing project hereunder in any court of competent jurisdiction in order to enforce the provisions of this act, or to foreclose its mortgage, or to protect the public interest, the tenants, the stockholders or creditors of the sponsor. In connection with any such action or proceeding it may apply for the appointment of a receiver to take over, manage, operate and maintain the affairs of the housing sponsor and the agency, through the agent as it shall designate, is authorized to accept appointment as receiver of the sponsor when so appointed by a court of competent jurisdiction.

b. The reorganization of any housing sponsor shall be subject to the supervision and control of the agency, and no reorganization shall be had without the consent of the agency. Upon a reorganization, the amount of capitalization, including stocks, income debentures and bonds and other evidences of indebtedness, shall be as authorized by the agency, but not in excess of the fair value of the property received. 10. a. In any foreclosure action involving a housing sponsor other
than a foreclosure action instituted by the agency, the agency and
the municipality in which any tax exemption or abatement is provided to the housing sponsor shall, in addition to other necessary
parties, be made parties defendant. The agency and the municipality shall take all steps in the action necessary to protect the

7 interest of the public therein, and no costs shall be awarded against
8 the agency or the municipality.

9 b. Subject to the terms of any applicable loan agreement, contract 10 or other instrument entered into or obtained pursuant to subsection a. of section 7 of this act, judgment of foreclosure in accordance 11 with this section shall not be entered unless the court to which 1213 application therefor is made shall be satisfied that the interest of the lienholder or holders cannot be adequately secured or safe-14 guarded except by the sale of the property; and in the proceeding 15the court shall be authorized to make an order increasing the rental 16or carrying charges to be charged for the housing accommodations 17 in the housing project involved in the foreclosure, or appoint a 18 member of the agency or any officer of the municipality in which 19any tax exemption or abatement with respect to the project is 20provided, as a receiver of the property, or grant such other and 21further relief as may be reasonable and proper; and in the event 22 of a foreclosure or other judicial sale, the property shall be sold 23only to a housing sponsor which will manage, operate and maintain 24the project subject to the provisions of this act, unless the court 25finds that the interest and principal on the obligations secured by 26the lien which is the subject of foreclosure cannot be earned under 27 the limitations imposed by the provisions of this act and that the 28proceeding was brought in good faith, in which event the property 29 may be sold free of limitations imposed by this act or subject to 30 such limitations as the court may deem advisable to protect the 31public interest. 32

c. In the event of a judgment against any housing sponsor in any action not pertaining to the foreclosure of a mortgage, there shall be no sale of any of the real property included in any housing project hereunder of the housing sponsor except upon 120 days' written notice to the agency. Upon receipt of the notice the agency shall take those steps as in its judgment may be necessary to protect the rights of all parties.

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b. The agency shall adopt rules and regulations governing the making of these loans to institutional lenders and the application of the proceeds thereof, including rules and regulations as to any of the following:

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- (1) procedures for the submission of requests or the invitation of proposals for loans;
- (2) standards and requirements concerning allocations of loans to the institutional lenders or awards of loans and determining the amounts of interest rates thereof;
- (3) limitations or restrictions as to the number of family units, location or other qualifications or characteristics *[projects or of]* *of projects or* residences to be financed by eligible loans***[,]*** ***;***
- (4) restrictions as to the maturities and interest rates on eligible loans or the return realized therefrom by institutional lenders;
- (5) requirements as to commitments by institutional lenders with respect to eligible loans;
- (6) schedules of any fees and charges necessary to provide for expenses and reserves of the agency; and
- (7) any other matters related to the duties and the exercise of the powers of the agency under this section.

These rules and regulations shall be designed to effectuate the general purposes of this act and the following specific objectives: the expansion of the supply of funds in the State available for housing; the provision of the additional housing needed to remedy the shortage of adequate housing in the State and eliminate the existence of a large number of sub-standard dwellings; the provision of nonhousing facilities which enhance the livability of residential properties or areas being improved through financing by the agency and provide supplies and services primarily to the residents of such residential properties and areas; and the effective participation by institutional lenders in the programs authorized by this act and the restriction of the financial return and benefit thereto from such programs to that necessary and reasonable to induce such participation.

c. Loans to institutional lenders shall be general obligations of the respective institutional lenders owing the same and shall bear such date or dates, shall mature at such time or times, shall be evidenced by such note, bond or other certificate of indebtedness, shall be subject to prepayment, and shall contain such other provisions consistent with this section, all as the agency shall by resolution determine.

47 d. The agency shall require as a condition of each loan to an 48 institutional lender that the institutional lender thereafter proceed as promptly as practicable to make and disburse from the loan 50 proceeds, eligible loans in an aggregate principal amount equal to the amount of the loan. 51.

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e. The agency may require that loans to institutional lenders shall be additionally secured as to payment of both principal and interest by a pledge of and lien upon collateral security in such amounts as the agency shall by resolution determine to be necessary to assure the payment of the loans and the interest thereon as they become due. The agency may require that collateral mortgages be 58 insured by a mortgage guaranty insurance company licensed to do business by the State. The agency may enter into an agreement with an institutional lender containing such provisions as the agency shall deem necessary to adequately identify and maintain such collateral and service the same and shall provide that the institutional lender shall hold the collateral as an agent for the agency and shall be held accountable as the trustee of an express trust for the application and disposition thereof and the income therefrom solely to the uses and purposes in accordance with the provisions of 66 the agreement. A copy of each agreement and any revisions or supplements thereto shall be filed with the Secretary of State and no further filing or other action under Title 12A, Commercial Transactions, of the New Jersey Statutes or any other law of the State shall be required to perfect the security interest of the agency in the collateral or any additions thereto or substitutions therefor, and the lien and trust for the benefit of the agency so created shall be binding from the time made against all parties having claims of any kind in tort, contract, or otherwise against the institutional lender. The agency may also establish additional requirements as it deems necessary with respect to the pledging, assigning, setting aside, or holding of the collateral and the making of substitutions therefor or additions thereto and the disposition of income and receipts therefrom.

f. The agency shall require the submission to it by each institutional lender to which the agency has made a loan of evidence satisfactory to the agency of the making of eligible loans as required by this section and prescribed by rules and regulations of the agency and in connection therewith may inspect the books and records of the institutional lender.

g. The agency may require as a condition of any loans to institional lenders such representations and warranties as it shall determine to be necessary to secure the loans and carry out the purposes of this act.

h. Compliance by any institutional lender with the terms of this section and its undertaking to the agency with respect to the making of eligible loans may be enforced by decree of the Superior Court. The agency may require as a condition of any loan to any institu-tional lender the consent of the institutional lender to the juris-diction of the Superior Court over any such proceeding. The agency may also require agreement by any institutional lender, as a condi-tion of the loan to the institutional lender, to the payment of penalties to the agency for violation by the institutional lender of 100 any provision of this section or its undertaking to the agency with 101 respect to the making of eligible loans, and these penalties shall be 102 recoverable at the suit of the agency.

1 12. a. The agency in order to encourage the development, opera-2 tion, construction, improvement, and rehabilitation of an adequate 3 supply of affordable housing, shall have the power:

- (1) to make and to purchase or participate in the purchase, and to contract to purchase or participate in the purchase, of eligible loans and to enter into advance commitments for the making of or the purchase, or for participation in the purchase, of eligible loans, at the prices and upon the terms and conditions determined by the agency;
- (2) to sell eligible loans acquired by the agency at public or private sale and at the price or prices and upon the terms and conditions *as may be* determined by the agency;
- (3) to enter into arrangements or agreements with loan originators, which may be a part of any contract with the loan originators for the purchase or participation in the purchase of eligible loans, containing provisions determined by the agency to be necessary or appropriate to provide security for its bonds, including but not limited to provisions requiring the repurchase of eligible loans or participations therein by the loan originators at the option of the agency, payments of such premiums, fees, charges or other amounts by loan originators to provide a reserve or escrow fund for the purposes, among others, of protecting against defaults with respect to eligible loans, and provisions for the guarantee by, or for recourse against, loan originators with respect to defaults on eligible loans of the agency;
- (4) to enter into contracts for the servicing and custody of eligible loans owned by the agency, which contracts may provide for the payment of the reasonable value of services rendered to the agency pursuant to the contracts;
 - (5) to renegotiate or refinance any eligible loan, or foreclose,

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 or contract for the foreclosure of, any mortgage securing any eligible loan in default; to waive any default or consent to the modification of the terms of any mortgage; to commence any action to protect or enforce any right conferred upon by any law, mortgage, insurance policy, contract or other agreement, and to bid for and to purchase the property securing any eligible loan at any foreclosure or at any other sale, or acquire or take possession of any such property; to operate, manage, lease, dispose of, and otherwise deal with such property; all in the manner as may be necessary to protect the interest of the agency and the holders of its bonds;

- (6) to procure insurance against any default with respect to eligible loans in such amounts and from such insurers as may be necessary or desirable;
- (7) to establish, revise from time to time, charge and collect such premiums, fees or other charges in connection with the making or purchase of eligible loans, as the agency determines and to apply those premiums, fees or charges to the purposes or deposit them in funds or reserves, as the agency determines; and
- (8) to provide subsidies or other reductions of interest rates with respect to eligible loans in order to encourage the availability of affordable housing or housing for *persons and families of* low and moderate income *[families]*.
- b. An eligible loan for a housing project made by the agency or purchased by the agency less than one year after construction of the project was commenced shall be subject to all the provisions of this act applicable to agency loans to housing sponsors for housing projects.
- c. The agency shall from time to time adopt rules and regulations governing the making or purchase of eligible loans, including, without limitation, rules and regulations as to any of the following:
 - (1) procedures for the purchase of eligible loans by the agency, whether by auction, invitation of tenders, or negotiation;
 - (2) standards and requirements as to allocations of purchases of eligible loans among *all or certain of the* loan originators or among particular areas of the State;
 - (3) limitations or restrictions as to the number of family units, income levels for owners or occupants, or location or other qualifications or characteristics of residences to be financed by the eligible loans to be made by the agency or by loan originators;

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- (4) restrictions as to the maturities and interest rates on eligible loans and on the return realized from the origination and sale of eligible loans to the agency by loan originators;
- (5) standards and requirements for eligible loans which are not secured by a mortgage; and
- (6) any other matters related to the duties and the exercise of the powers of the agency in connection with the purchase of eligible loans under this act.
- 83 d. These rules and regulations and the terms and conditions for the making or purchase of eligible loans shall effectuate the general 84 purposes of the act and the following specific objectives: (1) the 85 86 expansion of the supply of funds in the State available for eligible loans, (2) the provision of the additional housing needed to remedy 87 the shortage of adequate housing in the State and to eliminate the 88 89 existence of a large number of substandard dwellings and (3) the 90 provision of nonhousing facilities which enhance the livability of residential properties or areas being improved through financing 91 92by the agency and provide supplies and services primarily to the 93 residents of those residential properties and areas.
- e. The agency shall require as a condition of each purchase of eligible loans from a loan originator that the loan originator proseed as promptly as practicable to make and disburse from the proceeds thereof eligible loans in an aggregate principal amount equal, as nearly as practicable, to the amount of the proceeds from the purchase by the agency of eligible loans therefrom, but these requirements shall not apply if the eligible loans so purchased were originated pursuant to a commitment or other arrangement with the agency.
- 103 f. The agency shall require the submission to it by each loan 104 originator from which the agency has purchased eligible loans evi105 dence satisfactory to the agency of the making of eligible loans 106 or the application of the proceeds from the purchase of eligible 107 loans in accordance with commitments with the agency for the 108 origination of eligible loans by the loan originator, as may be 109 appropriate and in connection therewith may, through its employees 110 or agents, inspect the books and records of the loan originator.
- g. The agency may require as a condition of any purchase of 112 eligible loans from loan originators representations and warranties 113 it determines to be necessary in connection with that purchase and 114 to carry out the purposes of this act.
- 115 h. Compliance by any loan originator with the terms of its agree-116 ment with or undertaking to the agency with respect to the making 117 of any eligible loans may be enforced by decree of the Superior

118 Court. The agency may require as a condition of purchase of eligi119 ble loans from any loan originator the consent of the loan origi120 nator to the jurisdiction of the Superior Court of any such pro121 ceeding. The agency may also require agreement by any loan
122 originator, as a condition of the agency's purchase of eligible loans
123 from the loan originator, to the payment of penalties to the agency
124 for violation by the loan originator of its undertakings to the
125 agency, and these penalties shall be recoverable at the suit of the
126 agency.

i. Whenever any eligible loan purchased by the agency is to be 128 held or serviced by a person other than the agency, a statement 129 designating the eligible loan being so held or serviced and the per-130 son so holding or servicing the eligible loan and setting forth the 131 agency's interest in the eligible loan may be filed in the records of 132 the agency, which loan records shall be available for public in-133 spection during regular business hours of the agency, and no 134 possession, further filing, or other action under Title 12A, Com-135 mercial Transactions, of the New Jersey Statutes or any other law 136 of the State shall be required to perfect any security interest which 137 may be deemed to have been created in favor of the agency. The 138 servicer shall, in any case, be and be deemed to be the trustee of 139 an express trust for the benefit of the agency in all matters re-140 lating to any such eligible loan.

j. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 213.1 of P. L. 1948, 142 c. 67 (C. 17:9A-213.1) or any other provision of law to the contrary, any loan originator may, in connection with the sale of eliginated ble loans to the agency pursuant to this act, enter into arrangements or agreements with the agency as are authorized under and contemplated by this act, including, without limitation, provisions requiring the repurchase of eligible loans or participation therein the by the loan originator at the option of the agency, provisions requiring the payment of premiums, fees or charges or other amounts by the loan originator to provide a reserve or escrow for the purtoses, among others, of protecting against defaults with respect to eligible loans, and provisions for the guarantee by, or for resource against, the loan originator with respect to defaults on the eligible loans of the agency.

- 1 13. a. In order to encourage the construction, acquisition and
- 2 rendering of life safety improvements at or to boarding houses,
- 3 the agency is hereby authorized to finance by life safety improve-
- 4 ment loans the construction, asquisition and rendering of life safety
- 5 improvements at or to boarding houses.
- 6 b. To carry out the purposes of this section, the agency may

accept from boarding house owners applications for life safety 8 improvement loans and enter into agreements with boarding house owners with respect thereto. In considering applications for life safety improvement loans, the agency shall give consideration to:

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- (1) the degree of need for the life safety improvement at the boarding house with respect to which the application is made;
- (2) factors affecting the tax-exempt status of interest on the bonds issued by the agency to raise the money necessary to make the life safety improvement loan, including the location and ownership of boarding houses with respect to which applications have been and are being made;
- (3) the extent of the benefit which, in the agency's opinion, can be expected to be achieved from the life safety improvement intended to be financed with the life safety improvement loan for which the application is made, giving effect to, among other things, the cost of such life safety improvements;
 - (4) the applicant's ability to obtain alternate financing; and
- (5) the extent of the applicant's compliance with the "Rooming and Boarding House Act of 1979," P. L. 1979, c. 496 (C. 55:13B-1 et seq.). This determination shall be accomplished through an inspection of the boarding house by either the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs or the New Jersey Department of Health. Deficiencies which are to be corrected through life safety improvement loans are not to be used as a basis for disapproving a loan under this section.
- c. Life safety improvement loans made by the agency shall not be subject to the terms and conditions set forth in sections 6 through 10 of this act but shall be subject to the following terms and conditions:
 - (1) the amount of the loan shall not exceed 100% of the cost of the life safety improvement to be constructed, acquired or rendered, as determined by the agency.
 - (2) the interest rate on the loan shall be established by the agency at the lowest level consistent with the agency's cost of operation but not lower than the effective cost of the agency of the obligations of the agency sold to raise the money used to make the loan.
 - (3) the loan shall be evidenced by a promissory note which shall contain terms and provisions and be in a form approved by the agency, and the terms and provisions shall include, but not be limited to, agency requirements that: (a) the boarding house owner remit to the agency the entire unpaid balance of

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all life safety improvement loans made by the agency to the boarding house owner as of the time when the facility ceases to be a boarding house*, and the money shall be used for making new boarding house life safety improvement loans or any other lawful purpose*; (b) the boarding house owner remit to the agency, for payment to the Department of Community Affairs for deposit in the "Boarding House Rental Assistance Fund," established under section 14 of this act, an amount equal to the rental assistance payments made to or on behalf of the residents of a boarding house, pursuant to this section, prior to the point in time when the facility ceases to be a boarding house, but the inclusion of this second requirement in the promissory note and the remittance of that amount shall be required if and to the extent that the agency determines it to be feasible and practicable; and (c) in the event of any sale which occurs during the period when the life safety improvement loan is being repaid to a purchaser who will maintain the facility as a boarding house, the boarding house owner shall either remit the entire unpaid balance of all life safety improvement loans made by the agency to the boarding house owner or require the purchaser to assume the loan.

(4) as a condition of the loan, the agency shall have the power at all times during the construction, acquisition or rendering of a life safety improvement at or to a boarding house and for a reasonable period of time subsequent thereto to enter without prior notice the boarding house with respect to which the loan is made in order to inspect the construction, acquisition or rendering of the life safety improvement being financed with the loan.

14. There is hereby established in the Department of Community 1 Affairs a fund to be known as the "Boarding House Rental Assist-2 ance Fund." The fund shall be under the control of the Commis-3 sioner of the Department of Community Affairs. The fund shall 4 be maintained by the Department of the Treasury and may be invested by the Division of Investment in the Department of the 7 Treasury in investments in which other State funds may be invested. There shall be deposited in the fund all moneys appropriated thereto by the Legislature and any other moneys made avail-10 able for the purposes for which the fund is established. The fund is established for the purposes of $(i)^*$ providing rental assistance 11 to residents of boarding houses in need of assistance to meet the 12 rental payments at the boarding houses in which they reside necessitated by the construction, acquisition or rendering of life safety

improvements at or to the boarding houses with the proceeds of the 15 16 life safety improvement loans made by the agency, *[to provide]* *(ii) providing* a source of repayment for such life safety im-17 provement loans and, *(iii)* subject to the approval of the trea-18 surer, *[to pay]* *paying* the cost to the Department of Com-19 munity Affairs of discharging its obligations under sections 13 20 through 17 of this act. If needed to meet on a timely basis that 21 21A part of the rental obligations of residents of boarding houses attributable to debt service (including fees and charges payable 22 23 to the agency) on life safety improvement loans made by the agency to finance the construction, acquisition or rendering of life safety 24 25 improvements at said boarding houses, the commissioner shall disburse from the fund to or on behalf of the residents of the boarding 26 houses the amount of money which, together with amounts already 27 disbursed and to be disbursed, will be sufficient to meet on a timely 28 basis that part of the rental obligations of the residents of the 29 boarding houses. *If for any reason rental assistance payments 30 made on behalf of residents are not sufficient to meet the debt ser-31 vice payments on the life safety improvement loans, then the com-3233 missioner shall disburse from the fund such amounts as are necessary to meet the debt service payments; or, upon the request of the 34agency, the commissioner shall disburse such amounts as are neces-35 sary to fully pay the life safety improvement loan and all related 36 37 costs.*

1 15. In furtherance of the purposes of sections 13 through 17 of this act, the Commissioner of the Department of Community Af- 2 3 fairs is authorized to enter into rental assistance agreements with 4 boarding house owners providing for the payment of rental assistance to or on behalf of the residents of the boarding houses in 5 respect of that part of their rent that is attributable to debt service on life safety improvement loans, as determined by the agency. 7 Rental assistance agreements may permit or require the commis-8 sioner to make (i)* rental assistance payments on behalf of board-9 ing house residents directly to the agency or *[upon its order]* 10 *(ii) direct payments to the agency* in satisfaction of the boarding 11 house owners' payment obligations on life safety improvement 12 loans. As a condition to the payment of rental assistance, rental 13 assistance agreements shall require that the boarding house owner 14remit to the commissioner for return to the "[fund in the Depart-15 ment of the Treasury from which the appropriation for the rental 16 17 assistance payment was originally made an *Boarding House Rental Assistance Fund an* amount equal to any rental assistance 18 payment made by the commissioner to or on behalf of a resident 19

of the boarding house who, were such resident a family as defined in subsection f. of section 3 of this act, would not have constituted 2122a family qualified for admission to housing projects under section 8 of this act, at any time during the period covered by the rental 24assistance payment but the agency may establish a lower income standard for residents of boarding houses which would require 25remittance to the commissioner by the owners of boarding houses 26of rental assistance payments formerly made by the commissioner 27 to or on behalf of residents with incomes above that income 28 standard. 29

16. On or before December 1 of each year, the Commissioner of 1 the Department of Community Affairs shall submit to the Governor and the State Treasurer a Boarding House Rental Assistance Fund 3 Annual Report which shall include the following: *(i)* a summary of the activities and transactions of the Boarding House Rental As-6 sistance Fund during the preceding fiscal year; *(ii)* an estimate of the amount of rental charges which will be made during the ensuing 7 12 months by the residents of boarding houses on account of the 9 debt service (including fees and charges payable to the agency) on life safety improvement loans made by the agency to finance 10 the construction, acquisition or rendering of life safety improve-11 ments at or to the boarding houses, together with a brief descrip-12 tion of each of the boarding houses, life safety improvement loans 13 and life safety improvements and a summary of various charac-14 teristics of the residents of the boarding houses, including their 1516ages, disabilities, if any, and income levels; *(iii)* a statement as to the maximum amount of debt service payable in any one year on all 17 outstanding obligations of the agency issued with respect to life 18 safety improvement loans; and *(iv)* an estimate of, and request 19 for, the amount of money in addition to the then current balance of 20 21 the Boarding House Rental Assistance Fund which will be needed in the ensuing fiscal year to meet the disbursements from the fund 22which the commissioner anticipates will be made in furtherance 23 24of the purposes of the fund and in satisfaction of the commissioner's obligations under rental assistance agreements. 25

17. a. To assure that there exists sufficient money in the Boarding House Rental Assistance Fund so as to permit the fund to be
fully employed in furtherance of its purposes and to enable the
Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs to fulfill
his commitments under rental assistance agreements, there shall
be appropriated in each fiscal year and paid to the Department of
Community Affairs for deposit in the Boarding House Rental
Assistance Fund (1) from the Casino Revenue Fund, the amount

9 of money requested for that fiscal year by the commissioner in 10 the applicable Boarding House Rental Assistance Fund Annual Report, as amended by the commissioner from time to time, for the 11 12benefit of boarding house residents who are either senior citizens 13 or disabled residents of the State within the meaning of regulations 14 promulgated by the commissioner; and (2) from the General Fund *of the State of New Jersey*, the amount of money requested 15 for that fiscal year by the commissioner in the applicable Boarding 16 17 House Assistance Fund Annual Report, as amended by the commissioner from time to time, for the benefit of boarding house 18 19 residents who are neither senior citizens nor disabled residents of 20the State within the meaning of regulations promulgated by the 20A commissioner *either as rental assistance payments or direct debt 20B service on loans*.

21 b. After receipt of each Boarding House Rental Assistance Fund 22 Annual Report, the State Treasurer shall determine whether or not 23during the preceding fiscal year rental assistance payments were made with funds appropriated from the Casino Revenue Fund to 2425or on behalf of residents of boarding houses who, were they families as defined in subsection f. of section 3 of this act, would 2627have constituted families qualified for admission to housing projects under section 8 of this act during such fiscal year, but who were not 28 either senior citizens or disabled residents of the State within the 29 meaning of regulations promulgated by the commissioner. Upon 30 31 making a determination that funds were appropriated from the 32Casino Revenue Fund to or on behalf of one or more of such 33 residents, the Treasurer shall request and the State shall appropriate from the General Fund to the Casino Revenue Fund an 34amount of money equal to payments so made from funds appro-35 priated from the Casino Revenue Fund; but neither the request 36 37 nor the appropriation shall be required if, or to the extent that, the amount of payments is reimbursed from any other available 38 source, which may be, but shall not be limited to, a payment from 39 40 unencumbered funds of the agency, as authorized by the agency. 41 c. If the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs 42is for any reason unable to make rental assistance payments on one **4**3 or more rental assistance agreements, the agency may, but shall be

under no obligation to, authorize payments from its unencumbered reserves. If no such authorization is made, *or if the agency's payment is only intended to be a temporary source of funding in order to satisfy payments due on bonds issued to finance life safety improvement loans,* or the amount authorized is insufficient to make full payments under the agreements, there shall be appropriated

- 50 from the General Fund in each fiscal year and paid to the Depart-
- 51 ment of Community Affairs, for disbursement to the agency, suf-
- 52 ficient funds to make full payments. The commissioner shall an-
- 53 nually report to the Governor and the Treasurer detailing the need
- 54 for the appropriations.
- 1 *18. a. In order to carry out the purposes and provisions of this
- 2 act, the agency, in addition to any powers granted to it elsewhere
- 3 in this act, shall have the authority to form, purchase or assume
- 4 control of one or more subsidiary corporations, in the manner and
- 5 for the purposes set forth in this section.
- 6 b. The agency may form a subsidiary corporation by filing
- 7 with the Secretary of State a certificate of incorporation, which
- 8 may be amended from time to time and which shall set forth the
- 9 name of the subsidiary corporation, its duration, the location of its
- 10 principal office, the joint owners thereof, and the purposes of the
- 11 corporation.
- 12 c. The directors of the subsidiary corporation shall be members
- 13 or employees of the agency, who shall constitute at least a majority,
- 14 and such other persons representing any joint owner or owners as
- 15 may be provided for in the agreement in connection with the in-
- 16 corporation.
- 17 d. The subsidiary corporation shall have all the powers vested
- 18 in the agency which the agency may delegate to it by terms of the
- 19 agreement of incorporation, except that it shall not have power
- 20 to contract indebtedness independently of the agency. The sub-
- 21 sidiary corporation and any of its properties, functions and activi-
- 22 ties shall have all the privileges, immunities, tax exemptions and
- 23 other exemptions as the agency's property, functions and activities.
- 24 The subsidiary corporation shall also be subject to the restrictions
- $25 \quad and \ limitations \ to \ which \ the \ agency \ is \ subject. \ The \ subsidiary \ corpo-$
- 26 ration shall be subject to suit as if it were the agency itself.
- 27 e. Whenever the State or any municipality, commission, public
- 28 authority, agency, officer, department, board, or division is au-
- 29 thorized and empowered for any purposes of this act to cooperate
- 30 and enter into agreements with the agency or to grant any consent
- 31 to the agency or to grant, convey, lease or otherwise transfer any
- 32 property to the agency or to execute any document, the State or
- 33 such municipality, commission, public authority, agency, officer,
- 34 department, board, or division shall have the same authorization
- 35 and power for any of such purposes to cooperate and enter into
- 36 agreements with the subsidiary corporation and to grant consents
- 37 to the subsidiary corporation and to grant, convey, lease or other-
- 38 wise transfer property to the subsidiary corporation and to execute
- 39 documents for the subsidiary corporation.

- 40 f. Among the powers that shall be granted to a subsidiary corpo-
- 41 ration established by agency, or which may be exercised by the
- 42 agency itself, are:
- 43 (1) To act as receiver or interim owner of rental properties and
- 44 in connection therewith to provide tenant education and training,
- 45 with the goal of achieving cooperative or other private forms of
- 46 resident ownership.
- 47 (2) To act as a housing service corporation to operate or com-
- 48 plete the construction of agency-financed properties.
- 49 (3) To undertake acquisition, construction, rehabilitation and
- 50 operation of housing and related activities on a demonstration or
- 51 experimental basis.
- 52 (4) To participate as a coowner or coventurer in any activity
- 53 financed by an eligible loan from the agency.
- 54 g. The agency shall **** [not later than January 1, 1984] ***
- 55 establish at least one subsidiary corporation pursuant to this
- 56 section, unless the agency shall, by resolution setting forth the
- 57 reasons for its decision, determine that such establishment would
- 58 be inexpedient; which resolution shall be forthwith communicated
- 59 to the Governor and the Legislature.
- 1 19. a. In order to carry out the purposes and provisions of this
- 2 act, there is hereby chartered in, but not of, the agency the New
- 3 Jersey Housing Development Corporation****[, which shall be a
 - general stock ownership corporation within the meaning of Sub-
- 5 chapter U. of the U. S. Internal Revenue Code ***.
- 6 b. The corporation shall be organized, managed and operated as
- 7 an entity distinct from the agency, except that members and em-
- 8 ployees of the agency may be officers and directors of the corpora-
- 9 tion; but it shall be empowered to act as agent of the agency under
- 10 contractual agreements relating to matters set forth in subsection
- 11 c. of this section.
- 12 c. The corporation may issue its stock and employ the proceeds
- 13 of such sales:
- 14 (1) To purchase residential structures in need of rehabilitation
- 15 and rehabilitate them for purposes of resale, including resale under
- 16 lease-purchase agreements.
- 17 (2) To contract for the construction of new residential struc-
- 18 tures and to assume ownership of the same for the purposes of
- 19 resale, including lease-purchase agreements.
- 20 (3) To coventure with other public or private agencies or corpo-
- 21 rations as an investor in major rehabilitation or construction proj-
- 22 ects of the types described in paragraphs (1) and (2) of this sub-
- 23 section.

24 d. The agency is directed to complete the organization of the 25 corporation *** [before January 1, 1984,] *** unless the members of 26 the agency vote not to so organize and so advise the Governor and 27 the Legislature.*

[18.] *20.* a. The agency shall have the power and is hereby 1 2 authorized from time to time to issue its bonds in such principal 3 amounts as in the opinion of the agency shall be necessary to pro-4 vide sufficient funds for achieving any of its corporate purposes, including the making or purchase of eligible loans, the making of 5 6 loans to institutional lenders, the payment, funding or refunding of 7 the principal of, or interest or redemption premiums on, any bonds 8 issued by it, whether the bonds or interest to be funded or refunded have or have not become due, the establishment or increase of re-9 10 serves to secure or to pay such bonds or interest thereon or to pro-11 vide, insure or otherwise protect against defaults on or prepayment of eligible loans, and all other costs or expenses of the agency inci-12dent to and necessary or convenient to carry out its corporate pur-13 poses and powers; but the agency's power to issue its bonds in order 14 (1) to make life safety improvement loans, (2) to fund reserves 15for these bonds (excluding therefrom for purposes of this calcula-16 tion such bonds that have been refunded), and (3) to refund bonds 17originally issued to make life safety improvement loans and to fund 18 reserves for these bonds is limited to the extent that the amount of 19 debt service payable in any one year on all these bonds then 20 outstanding may not exceed \$4,000,000.00. 21

b. Except as may be otherwise expressly provided herein or by 22the agency, every issue of bonds shall be general obligations 23 payable out of any moneys or revenues of the agency, subject only 24 to any agreements with the holders of particular bonds pledging 25 any particular moneys or revenues. The agency may issue such 26 types of bonds as it may determine, including but not limited to 27bonds on which the principal and interest are payable (1) exclu-28 sively from the income and revenues of certain designated projects 29 whether or not they are financed in whole or in part with the 30 proceeds of such bonds; (2) exclusively from the revenues of the 31 agency derived from certain loans made to institutional lenders or 32derived from certain eligible loans made or purchased by the 33 agency whether or not such loans were made or such eligible loans 34were purchased in whole or in part from the proceeds of such bonds; 35 or (3) from its revenues generally. Bonds may be additionally 36 secured by a pledge of any grant or contribution from any depart-37 ment, agency or instrumentality of the United States or of the 38 State or from any person, firm or corporation or a pledge of any 40 moneys, income or revenues of the agency from any source what-41 soever.

c. Any provision of any law to the contrary notwithstanding, any bonds issued pursuant to this act shall be fully negotiable within the meaning and for all purposes of Title 12A of the New Jersey Statutes, and each holder or owner of such a bond, or of any coupon appurtenant thereto, by accepting the bond or coupon shall be 6 conclusively deemed to have agreed that the bond or coupon is and shall be fully negotiable within the meaning and for all purposes 8 of Title 12A of the New Jersey Statutes.

d. Bonds of the agency shall be authorized by or in accordance with a resolution of the agency and may be issued in one or more series and shall bear such date or dates, mature at such time or times not exceeding 50 years from the date thereof, bear interest at such rate or rates or bear interest at such variable or formula rate or rates not to exceed such maximum rate or rates, be in such denomination or denominations, be in such form, either coupon or registered, carry such conversion or registration privileges, have such rank or priority, be executed in such manner, be payable from such sources in such medium of payment at such place or places within or without the State, and be subject to such terms of redemption (with or without premium) as such resolution or resolutions may provide.

e. Bonds of the agency may be sold at public or private sale at the price or prices as the agency determines.

f. Bonds may be issued under the provisions of this act without obtaining the consent of any department, division, commission, board, bureau or agency of the State, and without any other proceeding or the happening of any other conditions or other things than those proceedings, conditions or things which are specifically required by this act.

g. Bonds of the agency issued under the provisions of this act shall not be in any way a debt or liability of the State or of any political subdivision thereof other than the agency and shall not create or constitute any indebtedness, liability or obligation of the State or of any such political subdivision or be or constitute a pledge of the faith and credit of the State or of any such political subdivision but all such bonds, unless funded or refunded by bonds, shall be payable solely from revenues or funds pledged or available for their payment as authorized in this act. Each bond shall contain on its face a statement to the effect that the agency is obligated to pay the principal thereof or the interest thereon only from revenues or funds of the agency and that neither the State

83 nor any political subdivision thereof is obligated to pay such 84 principal or interest and that neither the faith and credit nor the 85 taxing power of the State or any political subdivision thereof is 86 pledged to the payment of the principal of or the interest on such 87 bonds.

h. All expenses incurred in carrying out the provisions of this act shall be payable solely from revenues or funds provided or to be provided under the provisions of this act and nothing in this act shall be construed to authorize the agency to incur any indebtedness or liability on behalf of or payable by the State or any political subdivision thereof.

*[19.] *21.* Any resolution or resolutions of the agency authorizing the issuance of bonds may contain provisions, except as expressly limited in this act and except as otherwise limited by existing agreements with the holders of the bonds, which shall be a part of the contract with the holders thereof, as to the following:

6 a. The pledging of or creating of a lien on, as security for the payment of the principal and redemption price of and interest 7 on any bonds of the agency, all or any part of its revenues or assets 8 9 to which its right then exists or may the reafter come into existence, and the moneys derived therefrom*,* including the eligible loans 10 made or purchased by the agency pursuant to this act and the 11 revenues therefrom, the loans made to institutional lenders pur-12suant to this act and the revenues therefrom and the rights and 13 interests of the agency in and to any collateral securing such loans 14and the collections and proceeds therefrom, the eligible loans pur-15 chased by the agency pursuant to this act and all payments on 16 account of principal and interest with respect thereto, and all 17 other premiums, fees and charges payable to the agency, all or any 18 part of any money, funds or property held in trust or otherwise by 19 others for the payment of any such mortgages, such loans to insti-20 tutional lenders or such eligible loans, or any bonds of the agency, 21and all or any part of the proceeds of any bonds, and covenanting 22 23 against pledging all or any part of such revenues, assets, moneys, funds or property, or against permitting or suffering any lien 24 25thereon;

b. Otherwise providing for the custody, collection, securing, investment and payment of any revenues, assets, moneys, funds or property of the agency or with respect to which the agency may have any rights or interest;

30 c. The use and disposition of any and all payments of principal or 31 interest received by the agency with respect to loans to institu-32 tional lenders or eligible loans or any income or proceeds from

- 33 *[investment]* *investments* held by the agency or other income,
- 34 revenues or receipts of the agency;
- d. The establishment of reserves or sinking funds, the making of
- 36 charges and fees to provide for the same, and the regulation and
- 37 disposition thereof;
- 38 e. The custody, application and disposition of the proceeds of
- 39 any bonds;
- 40 f. The rank or priority of any such bonds with respect to any
- 41 lieu or security or as to the acceleration of the maturity of any
- 42 such bonds;
- 43 g. The creation of special funds or moneys to be held in trust or
- 44 otherwise for operating expenses, payment or redemption of bonds,
- 45 reserves against defaults or prepayments of eligible loans or loans
- 46 to institutional lenders or for other purposes and as to the use and
- 47 disposition of the moneys held in such funds;
- 48 h. Limitations on the purpose to which the proceeds of sale of
- 49 bonds may be applied and pledging such proceeds to secure the
- 50 payment of the bonds;
- 51 i. Limitations on the issuance of additional bonds; the terms
- 52 upon which additional bonds may be issued and secured; the re-
- 53 funding or purchase of outstanding bonds of the agency;
- 54 j. The procedure, if any, by which the terms of any contract with
- 55 the holders of any bonds of the agency may be amended or abro-
- 56 gated, the amount of bonds the holders of which must consent
- 57 thereto, and the manner in which such consent may be given;
- 58 k. The vesting in a trustee or trustees within or without the State
- 59 of such property, rights, powers and duties in trust as the agency
- 60 may determine, which may include any or all of the rights, powers
- 61 and duties of any trustee appointed by the holders of any bonds
- 62 pursuant to section 20 of this act and limiting or abrogating the
- 63 right of the holders of any bonds of the agency to appoint a trustee
- 64 under this act or limiting the rights, powers and duties of such
- 65 trustee;
- 66 1. Appointing and providing for the duties and obligations of a
- 67 paying agent or paying agents or such other fiduciaries within or
- 68 without the State;
- 69 m. Provision for a trust agreement by and between the agency
- 70 and a corporate trustee which may be any trust company or bank
- 71 having the powers of a trust company within the State, which
- 72 agreement may provide for the pledging or assigning of any assets
- 73 or income from assets to which or in which the agency has any
- 74 rights or interest, and may further provide for such other rights
- 75 and remedies exercisable by the trustee as may be proper for the

protection of the holders of any bonds of the agency and not 76

77 otherwise in violation of law, and the agreement may provide for

the restriction of the rights of any individual holder of bonds of 78

79 the agency. All expenses incurred in carrying out the provisions of

80 the trust agreement may be treated as a part of the costs of opera-

81 tion of the agency. The trust agreement may contain any further

provisious which are reasonable to delineate further the respective 82

83rights, duties, safeguards, responsibilities and liabilities of the

84 agency, individual and collective holders of bonds of the agency,

85 and the trustee;

n. The custody of any of its properties or investments, the safe-86 87 keeping thereof, the insurance to be carried thereon, and the use

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and disposition of insurance moneys;

89 o. The time or manner of enforcement or restraint from enforce-90 ment of any rights of the agency arising by reason of or with 91 respect to nonpayment of principal or interest with respect to mortgages or loans to institutional lenders or any rights to or 9293 security interest in the collateral securing such loans or arising

94with respect to the default with respect to any eligible loan; p. Defining the acts or omissions to act which shall constitute a 95

default in the obligations and duties of the agency and providing 96 97for the rights and remedies of the holders of bonds in the event of

such default; 98

q. Covenants to do or refrain from doing such acts and things 99 100 as may be necessary or convenient or desirable to better secure 101 any bonds of the agency, or which, in the discretion of the agency, 102 will tend to make any bonds to be issued more marketable notwith-103 standing that such covenants, act or things may not be enumerated 104 herein; and

r. Any other matters of the like or different character, which in 106 any way affect the security or protection of the bonds issued by the 107 agency.

*[20.] * *22.* a. If the agency defaults in the payment of principal 1 of or interest on any issue of bonds after the same becomes due, 2whether at maturity or upon call for redemption, and the default 3 continues for a period of 30 days, or if the agency fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of this act or fails or refuses to carry out and perform the terms of any contract with the holders of bonds and the failure or refusal continues for a period of 30 days after 7 written notice to the agency of its existence and nature, the holders of 25% in aggregate principal amount of such issue of bonds then outstanding by instrument or instruments filed in the office of the 10 Secretary of State and proved or acknowledged in the same manner as a deed to be recorded, may appoint a trustee to represent the holders of those bonds for the purposes provided in this section.

b. The trustee may, and upon written request of the holders of 25% in aggregate principal amount of such bonds then outstanding shall, in the trustee's own name:

- (1) by any action, writ, or other proceeding, enforce all rights of the holders of such bonds, including the right to collect and enforce the payment of principal of and interest due or becoming due on eligible loans and loans to institutional lenders and collect and enforce any collateral securing such loans or sell such collateral and the right to cause the foreclosure of any eligible mortgage loan, and to sell any property purchased at any such foreclosure, so as to carry out any contract as to, or pledge of, revenues, and to require the agency to carry out and perform the terms of any contract with the holders of such bonds or its duties under this act;
 - (2) bring suit upon all or any part of such bonds;
- (3) by action, require the agency to account as if it were the trustee of an express trust for the holders of such bonds;
- (4) by action, enjoin any acts or things which may be unlawful or in violation of the rights of the holders of such bonds; or
- (5) declare all such bonds due and payable, whether or not in advance of maturity, upon 30 days' prior notice in writing to the agency, and, if all defaults shall be made good, then with the consent of the holders of 25% of the principal amount of such bonds then outstanding, annul such declaration and its consequences.
- c. The trustee shall, in addition to the foregoing, have and possess all of the powers necessary or appropriate for the exercise of the functions specifically set forth herein or incident to the general representation of the holders of bonds in the enforcement and protection of their rights.
- d. In any action or proceeding by such trustee, the fees, counsel fees and expenses of the trustee, if any, appointed pursuant to this act, shall constitute taxable costs and disbursements, and all costs and disbursements, allowed by the court, shall be a first charge upon any revenues, moneys, funds or property of the agency pledged for the payment or security of such issue of bonds.
- *[21.]* *23.* Any pledge made by the agency of income, revenues
 or other property shall be valid and binding from the time the
 pledge is made. The income, revenue or other property so pledged
 by the agency shall immediately be subject to the lien of the pledge

5 without any physical delivery thereof or further act, and the lien of 6 any pledge shall be valid and binding as against all parties having 7 claims of any kind in tort, contract or otherwise against the agency, 8 irrespective of whether such parties have notice thereof. Neither 9 the resolution nor any other instrument by which a pledge is 10 created need be filed or recorded except in the records of the 11 agency.

[22.] *24.* For purposes of subsection (g) of Section 103A of the federal Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, the State ceiling on the aggregate amount of qualified mortgage bonds which may be issued in the State shall be allocated 100% to the agency.

[23.] *25.* At least **[20% of the funds made available for loans to mortgage lenders pursuant to subsection (g) of Section 103A of the federal Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended,

shall be used for new residential mortgages ** **25% of the funds

5 made available by the agency for the acquisition, operation, con-6 struction, rehabilitation, conversion, improvement or ownership of

7 residential properties of from one to four, or from five to 12,

dwelling units shall be reserved for use** in municipalities which

9 qualify for State aid under P. L. 1978, c. 14 (C. 52:27D-178 et seq.).

10 **The period of reservation shall be established by the agency at

11 its discretion, but shall not be less than four months. The period

12 may be extended at the agency's discretion, with or without adjust-

13 ing the amount of funds so reserved.**

[24.] *26.* The agency may consent, at or prior to the time of 1 2 issuance of any issue of its bonds, to the inclusion of interest on such bonds in the gross income of holders of such bonds under the 3 federal Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or any subse-4 quent federal law, to the same extent and in the same manner as the 5 interest on bills, notes, bonds and other obligations of the United States is includible in the gross income of the holders thereof 7 under the federal Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or 8 any subsequent federal law. Nothing contained in this act shall be 9 construed to waive or to authorize the agency to waive any other 10 exemption, privilege or immunity of the State or to consent or to 11 authorize the agency to consent to the application of any other 12provision of any other laws, federal or State, to the agency or to its bonds, which would not otherwise be so applicable. 14

[25.] *27.* Neither the members of the agency nor any person executing bonds issued pursuant to this act shall be liable personally on such bonds by reason of the issuance thereof.

[26.] *28.* The agency shall have power to purchase bonds of the agency out of any funds available therefor. The agency may 3 hold, cancel or resell such bonds subject to and in accordance with
4 agreements with holders of its bonds.

*[27.] * *29. * a. The agency may create and establish one or more 1 2 special funds to be known as housing finance funds and may pay into such housing finance funds any moneys appropriated and made 3 4available by the State for the purposes of such funds, any proceeds of the sale of the bonds to the extent provided in the resolution of 5 the agency authorizing the issuance thereof, the moneys directed 6 7 to be transferred by the agency to such funds, and any other moneys which may be made available to the agency for the pur-8 poses of such funds from any other source or sources. The moneys 9 held in or credited to any housing finance fund established under 10 this act, except as hereinafter provided, shall be used solely for 11 the payment of the principal of and interest on bonds of the agency 12secured by such housing finance fund, as the same mature, required 13 payments to any sinking fund established for the amortization 14 of such bonds (hereinafter referred to as "sinking fund pay-15 ments"), the purchase or redemption of such bonds of the agency 16 or the payment of any redemption premium to be paid when such 17 18 bonds are redeemed prior to maturity; but moneys in any such 19 fund shall not be withdrawn therefrom at any time in such amount as would reduce the amount of such fund to less than the amount 20of principal (including sinking fund payments) and interest matur-2122ing and becoming due in the succeeding calendar year on the bonds 23of the agency then outstanding and secured by such housing finance fund (such amount being hereafter referred to as the "required 24minimum capital reserve"), except for the purpose of paying 25 principal and interest on the bonds of the agency secured by such 2627 housing finance fund maturing and becoming due and sinking funds payments for the payment of which other moneys of the agency 28are not available. Any income or interest earned by, or increment 2930 to, any such housing finance fund due to the investment thereof may be transferred to any other fund or account of the agency to 31the extent it does not reduce the amount of such housing finance 32 33 fund below the required minimum capital reserve. In computing the amount of any housing finance fund for the purposes of this 3435 section, securities in which all or a portion of such housing finance fund are invested shall be valued at part if purchased at par or, 36 if purchased at other than par, at amortized cost. 37 38

b. The agency shall not issue bonds secured by a housing finance fund at any time if the maximum amount of principal (including sinking fund payments) and interest maturing and becoming due in the succeeding calendar year on the bonds outstanding then to be issued and secured by a housing finance fund will exceed the amount of such housing finance fund at the time of issuance, unless the agency, at the time of issuance of such bonds, shall deposit in such housing finance fund from the proceeds of the bonds or other

46 obligations so to be issued, or otherwise, an amount which together

47 with the amount then in such housing finance fund, will be not less

48 than the required minimum capital reserve.

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c. The Housing Finance Fund established under the agency's existing General Housing Bond Resolution shall continue as a housing finance fund pursuant to the provisions of subsection a. of this section.

53d. To assure the maintenance of the required minimum capital 54reserve in the housing finance funds, there shall be annually appropriated and paid to the agency for deposit in each of such funds, 55 such sum, if any, as shall be certified by the chairman of the agency 56 to the Governor as necessary to restore each of such funds to an 57amount equal to the required minimum capital reserve. The chairman shall annually, on or before December 1, make and deliver **5**9 60 to the Governor his certificate stating the sum, if any, required to 61restore each of such funds to the amount aforesaid, and the sum 62 or sums so certified shall be appropriated and paid to the agency **63** during the then current State fiscal year.

[28.] *30.* a. The agency shall establish and maintain a Housing Development Fund which shall consist of all moneys appropriated by the State for inclusion therein, notwithstanding any inconsistent provisions of this or of any other law, any moneys which the agency shall receive in repayment of advances from the fund, and any other moneys available to the agency which it determines to utilize for this purpose.

8 b. The agency is hereby authorized to use the money held in the Housing Development Fund to make noninterest bearing advances 9 to housing sponsors who are corporations or associations orga-10 nized not for profit or for mutual housing to defray development 11 costs for housing projects. No such advance shall be made unless 12it is reasonably anticipated by the agency that an eligible mortgage 13loan will be obtained for the housing project and the not for profit 14 or mutual housing sponsor enters into an agreement with the 15 agency to be regulated with respect to those matters provided in 16 paragraph (5) and (6) of subsection a. of section 7 of this act. 17

c. Each advance shall be repaid in full concurrent with the receipt by the not for profit or mutual housing sponsor of the proceeds of the eligible mortgage loan, unless the agency shall extend the period for the repayment of such advance, but no such extension shall be granted beyond the date of final payment under the eligible mortgage loan.

d. If the agency determines at any time that an eligible mortgage loan may not be obtained from the agency, the advance shall become immediately due and payable and shall be paid from any assets of the housing project. To the extent that repayment cannot be made from the assets of the housing project, the advance shall be treated as a grant.

e. The term "development cost", as used in this section, means the amount approved by the agency as an appropriate expenditure which may be incurred prior to the first advance on an eligible mortgage loan, including but not limited to (1) payments for options, deposits or contracts to purchase properties on the pro-posed housing project site or, with the prior approval of the agency, payments for the purchase of such properties; (2) legal and organizational expenses, including attorney's fees and salaries, office rent and other incidental expenses for a project manager and clerical staff; (3) fees for preliminary feasibility studies, planning advances, borings, surveys, engineering and architectural work; (4) expenses for tenant surveys and market analyses; and (5) such other expenses as the agency may deem appropriate to effectuate 2 the purpose of this section. .

f. The term "eligible mortgage loan", as used in this section, means a below-market interest rate mortgage loan insured by the Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, or a mortgage loan insured by the Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development and augmented by a program of rent supplements, or an eligible loan made by the agency.

[29.] *31.* a. The agency shall establish and maintain a fund

called the "General Fund" which shall consist of all moneys of the agency not required to be deposited in any other fund of the agency, which the agency may deposit therein. To the extent available, after paying all the operating costs of the agency, the moneys remaining in the General Fund may be used for the payment of the principal of and interest on the bonds issued by the agency or for such other corporate purposes of the agency as this act authorizes.

b. The agency may establish such additional and further funds as may be necessary and desirable to accomplish any agency purpose or to comply with the provisions of any agreement made by the agency or any resolution approved by the agency. The resolution establishing such a fund shall specify the source of moneys from

which it shall be funded and the purposes for which moneys held

15 in the fund shall be disbursed.

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1 *[30.]* *32.* The State of New Jersey does hereby pledge to and 2 covenant and agree with the holders of any bonds issued pursuant to the authority of this act that the State will not limit, restrict or alter the rights or powers hereby vested in the agency to perform 4 5 and fulfill the terms of any agreement made with the holders of such bonds, or in any way impair the rights or remedies of such holders until such bonds, together with interest thereon, with interest on 7 8 any unpaid installments of interest, and all costs and expenses in 9 connection with any action or proceedings by or in behalf of such 10 holders, are fully met, paid and discharged. The agency may 11 include this pledge and agreement of the State in any agreement 12with the holders of bonds issued by the agency.

1 *[31.] * *33.* Notwithstanding any restriction contained in any 2 other law, all banks, trust companies, savings banks and institutions, building and loan associations, savings and loan associations, investment companies, and other persons carrying on a banking or 4 investment business, all insurance companies, insurance associations and other persons carrying on an insurance business, and all 6 executors, administrators, guardians, trustees and other fiduciaries, 7 8 may legally invest any sinking funds, moneys or other funds belonging to them or within their control in any bonds issued pursuant to 9 this act, and such bonds shall be authorized security for any and all 10 11 public deposits.

1 *[32.]* *34.* a. All property of the agency is hereby declared to be public property devoted to an essential public and governmental function and purpose and shall be exempt from all taxes and special 3 assessments of the State or any subdivision thereof. All bonds 4 issued pursuant to this act are hereby declared to be issued by a body corporate and public of this State and for an essential public 6 and governmental purpose and such bonds, and the interest thereon 7 and the income therefrom, and all fees, charges, funds, revenues, 8 income and other moneys pledged or available to pay or secure the payment of such bonds, or interest thereon, shall at all times 10 be exempt from taxation, except for transfer, inheritance and 11 estate taxes. 12

b. The sale to a housing sponsor of all materials and supplies to be used to construct, improve or rehabilitate a housing project financed by a loan made by the agency to the housing sponsor shall be exempt from all sales taxes of the State or any subdivision thereof.

[33.] *35.* All property of the agency, except as otherwise provided herein, shall be exempt from levy and sale by virtue of an execution and no execution or other judicial process shall issue against the same nor shall any judgment against the agency be a

5 charge or lien upon its property; except that nothing herein con-

tained shall apply to or limit the rights of the holder of any bonds 6

to pursue any remedy for the enforcement of any pledge or lien

given by the agency on its revenues or other moneys. 8

[34.] *36.* a. The agency may obtain, or aid in obtaining, 1 2 *from any department or agency of the United States or any other 3 person* any insurance or guarantee as to, or of or for the payment or repayment of interest or principal, or both, or any part thereof, 4 on any loan or any instrument evidencing or securing the same, 5 made or entered into pursuant to the provisions of this act; and 7 notwithstanding any other provisions of this act enter into any agreement, contract or any other instrument whatsoever with re-8 spect to any such insurance or guarantee, and accept payment in 9

10 such manner and form as provided therein in the event of the de-

11 fault by the borrower.

b. The agency may obtain *from any department or agency of 12 the United States or any other person* any insurance or guarantee 13 as to, or of or for the payment or repayment of, interest or prin-14 cipal, or both, or any part thereof, on any bonds issued by the 15 agency pursuant to the provisions of this act; and notwithstanding 16 17 any other provisions of this act enter into any agreement, contract 18 or any other instrument whatsoever with respect to any such in-**1**9 surance or guarantee except to the extent that such action would in any way impair or interfere with the agency's ability to perform 20and fulfill the terms of any agreement made with the holders of 21 22 the bonds of the agency.

[35.] *37.* a. It is the intent of the Legislature that in the event 1 of any conflict or inconsistency in the provisions of this act and any other acts concerning housing sponsors or any rules and regulations 3 adopted thereunder, to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency, 4 the provisions of this act shall be enforced and the provisions of 5 such other acts and rules and regulations adopted thereunder shall 6 be of no effect.

b. The governing body of any municipality in which a housing 8 9 project *[ordinance]* *financed* or to be financed by the agency is or is to be located may by ordinance or resolution, as appropriate, 10 provide that such project shall be exempt from real property taxa-11 tion; if the housing sponsor enters into an agreement with the mu-12 13 nicipality for payments to the municipality in lieu of taxes for municipal services. Any such agreement may require the housing 14 sponsor to pay to the municipality an amount up to 20% of the an-15 nual gross revenue from each housing project situated on such real 16

property for each year of operation thereof following the substan-17 tial completion thereof. For the purpose of this section, "annual 19 gross revenue" means the total annual gross rental or carrying .20 charge and other income of a housing sponsor from a housing proj-21 ect. If any such agreement is entered into from the date of record-22 ing the mortgage on the project to the date of substantial comple-23 tion of the project, the annual amount payable to the municipality 24 as taxes or as payments in lieu of taxes in respect of the project site 25 shall not be in excess of the amount of taxes on the project site for 26the year preceding the recording of the mortgage. Any agreement 27between any housing sponsor and a municipality pursuant to this subsection shall be submitted to the agency for review in order to .2829 avoid duplpicating, overlapping or inconsistent regulations or pro-30 visions. Any exemption from taxation pursuant to the provisions of this section shall not extend beyond the date on which the eligible 31 31A loan made by the agency on the project is paid in full.

32 *Ic. As used in this section only, "municipality" means and in-33 cludes any city of any class, any town, township, village, borough, or any municipal subdivision of the State; and "governing body" 34 means, in the case of a municipality, the common council, or the 35 36 board of commissioners, or the body managing its affairs, except that, in the case of cities of the second class having a population 37 of not less than 133,000 nor more than 200,000 inhabitants, "gov-38 erning body" means the board of finance of such city.]* 39

[36.] *38.* Any person who attempts to or obtains an eligible loan hereunder or occupancy or continued occupancy of a dwelling unit financed by an eligible loan by false or misleading information or who violates this act or who by fraud attempts to obtain moneys from the agency or its approval for the payment of moneys or fraudulently attempts to or prevents the collection of any moneys due to the agency is, for each offense, guilty of a crime of the third degree.

1 **[37.]* *39.* a. No member, officer or employee of the agency 2 shall have or attempt to have, for purposes of personal gain, di-3 rectly or indirectly, any interest:

(1) In any contract or agreement of the agency;

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- (2) In the sale or purchase of any property by the agency;
- (3) In any eligible loan, loan to institutional lender or application therefor;
 - (4) In any housing project constructed, improved, rehabilitated or operated, or to be constructed, improved, rehabilitated or operated under the provisions of this act; or
 - (5) In any boarding house at which or to which a life safety

- improvement is or is to be constructed, acquired or rendered
- with moneys provided by a life safety improvement loan from
- the agency;
- 14 but this section shall not be construed to prohibit a member, officer
- 15 or employee of the agency from being the borrower on a loan pur-
- 16 chased by the agency made to provide financing for a single family
- 17 dwelling which is the primary residence of the borrower*, and the
- 17A agency shall adopt a policy governing the eligibility of agency mem-
- 17B bers, officers and employees for such loans*.
- b. Any member, officer or employee of the agency who violates
- 19 the provisions of this section is guilty of a crime of the fourth
- 20 degree. Any such person shall be barred from public employment
- 21 in this State in any capacity whatsoever for a period of five years
- 22 from the date he was adjudged guilty.
- *[38.]* *40.* On or before the last day of March in each year, the
- 2 agency shall make an annual report of its activities for the preced-
- 3 ing calendar year to the Governor and to the Legislature. Each
- 4 report shall set forth a complete operating and financial statement
- 5 covering its operations during the year. The agency shall cause an
- 6 audit of its books and accounts to be made at least once in each year
- 7 by certified public accountants and the cost thereof shall be con-
- 8 sidered an expense of the agency and a copy thereof shall be filed
- 9 with the State Treasurer.
- *[39. The agency shall review annually the housing program con-
- 2 tent of its actions, its best estimates of housing needs of New Jersey
- 3 residents and its assessment of available resources, establish and, in
- 4 light of this review, its priorities for housing programs during the
- 5 ensuing year.]*
- 1 *41. a. The agency shall develop and revise every two years an
- 2 agency financial strategy. This strategy shall be submitted to the
- 3 presiding officer of each House of the Legislature and to the Senate
- 4 County and Municipal Government Committee and the General
- 5 Assembly Housing and Urban Policy Committee, or their succes-
- 6 sors.
- 7 b. The strategy shall include, but need not be limited to:
- 8 (1) An inventory and description of the housing stock in New
- 9 Jersey based on currently available data;
- 10 (2) An estimate of the housing needs;
- 11 (3) An estimate of the cost of construction, improvement, repair
- 12 or rehabilitation of housing to meet those needs;
- 13 (4) Estimates of resources available to meet those needs;
- 14 (5) A list of the agency's priorities in meeting the housing needs
- 15 of the residents of the State; and

- 16 (6) An estimate of the extent and nature of the agency's financial participation in housing projects for the next two years.
- 18 c. The agency shall annually review the housing program con-19 tent of its actions in light of the powers granted in this act and of 20 the goals and priorities established in its financing strategy.*
- *[40. Wage rate of workmen employed by qualified housing sponsors; determination.]* *42.* Each qualified housing sponsor granted a loan from the agency, or any builder, contractor or sub-contractor engaged by the qualified housing sponsor for the construction or rehabilitation of any housing projects, shall pay the workmen employed in the performance of any contract for such construction or rehabilitation not less than the prevailing wage rate *[as determined by the Commissioner of Labor except as 84 hereinafter provided.
- 9 In the following instances the qualified housing sponsor granted 10a loan from the agency, or any builder, contractor or subcontractor engaged by the qualified housing sponsor for the construction or 11 rehabilitation of any housing project shall pay the workmen em-12ployed in the performance of any contract for such construction 13 14 or rehabilitation not less than the prevailing wage rate as]* *. The prevailing wage rate shall be determined by the *** com-15missioner ** ** ** ** Commissioner ** * of the New Jersey Department 16of Labor in all cases, except that the prevailing rate shall be* 17 determined by the Secretary of the United States Department of 18 Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act as amended (40 19U. S. Code 276a to 276a-5) *[: (1) when the loan from the agency 2021 for the construction or rehabilitation of a housing project is funded from the proceeds of agency obligations to which the general 22credit of the agency has not been pledged, (2) when the loan from 23the agency is for the construction or rehabilitation of a housing 24project which does not exceed four stories, (3) ****,*** when the 25loan from the agency for the construction or rehabilitation of a 26housing project or the tenants of the housing project is the subject 27of direct or indirect federal assistance other than the federal tax-2828A exemption of the interest paid on the agency obligations*[, or (4) 28B when it is deemed necessary in order for a housing project to be 280 financially feasible as determined by agency standard underwriting 28_D criteria]*.
- The Commissioner of Labor is authorized to, and shall, determine the prevailing wage rate and shall establish the prevailing wage in the locality in which the construction or rehabilitation of any housing project is to be performed for each craft or trade or classification of all workmen employed in the performance of such construc-

tion or rehabilitation, as if such construction or rehabilitation were

35 "public work" within the meaning of P. L. 1963, c. 150 (34:11-56:25

et seq.). For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this 36

37 section, the Commissioner of Labor and any workmen employed in

the performance of any contract for the construction or rehabilita-38

39 tion of any housing project, shall have and may exercise or perform

any right, power or duty granted or imposed upon them by P. L. 40

41 1963, c. 150.

1 *[41.]* *43.* All officers, departments, boards, agencies, divisions

and commissions of the State are hereby authorized and empowered

to render any services to the agency as may be within the area 3

of their respective governmental functions as fixed or established 4

by law, and as may be requested by the agency. The cost and

expense of any such services shall be met and provided for by 6

7 the agency.

1 *[42,] * *44.* No person shall be discriminated against, because of 2 race, religious principles, color, national origin or ancestry by the agency, any housing sponsor, any institutional lender, or any lean 3 originator or any agent or employee thereof in connection with 4 any housing project or eligible loan. *No person shall be discriminated against because of age in admission to, or continuance of 7

occupancy in, any housing project receiving assistance under this

act except for any housing project constructed under a govern-8

9 mental program restricting occupancy of at least 90% of the dwell-

10 ing units to persons 62 years of age or older and any members of 11 their immediate households or their occupant surviving spouses, or

12constructed as a retirement subdivision or retirement community

as defined in the "Retirement Community Full Disclosure Act," 13

14 P. L. 1968, c. 215 (C. 45:22A-1 et seq.).* Any person who violates

15 the provisions of this section is a disorderly person.

1 *[43.] * *45.* It is the intent of the Legislature that in the event 2 of any conflict or inconsistency in the provisions of this act and any 3 other acts pertaining to matters herein established or provided for 4 or in any rules and regulations adopted under this act or said other acts, to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency, the provisions 5 of this act and the rules and regulations adopted thereunder shall 6

be enforced and the provisions of such other acts and rules and 7

8 regulations adopted thereunder shall be of no effect.

1 *[44.]* *46.* This act shall be construed liberally to effect uate the legislative intent and the purposes of this act as complete and 2 independent authority for the performance of every act and thing herein authorized and all powers herein granted shall be broadly

- 5 interpreted to effectuate such intent and purposes and not as a
- 6 limitation of powers.
- 1 *47. If any clause, sentence, subdivision, paragraph, section or
- 2 part of this act shall be adjudged by any court of competent juris-
- 3 diction to be unconstitutional or invalid, such judgment shall not
- 4 affect, impair or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be con-
- 5 fined in its operation to the clause, sentence, subdivision, paragraph,
- 6 section or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which
- 7 said judgment shall have been rendered.*
- 1 *[45.]* *48.* The following are repealed:
- 2 P. L. 1967, c. 81, §§ 1-19, 21-40 (C. 55:14J-1 to 55:14J-19 inclu-
- 3 sive, C. 55:14J-21 to 55:14J-40 inclusive);
- 4 P. L. 1970, c. 38 (C. 17:1B-4 to 17:1B-25 inclusive);
- 5 P. L. 1975, c. 160, §§ 1, 5, 6 (C. 17:1B-5.1, 17:1B-9.1, 17:1B-9.2);
- 6 P. L. 1975, c. 396 (C. 17:1B-9.3);
- 7 P. L. 1976, c. 3, §§ 3, 8 (C. 55:14J-20.1 and 55:14J-20.2);
- 8 P. L. 1976, c. 133, § 5 (C. 55:14J-45); and
- 9 P. L. 1981, c. 515, $\S\S$ 1, 2, 6–10 (C. 55:14J–52 to 55:14J–58 inclu-
- 10 sive).
- 1 *[46.]* *49.* This act shall take effect immediately.

- 5 acts, to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency, the provisions
- 6 of this act and the rules and regulations adopted thereunder shall
- 7 be enforced and the provisions of such other acts and rules and
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- 10 sive).
- 1 46. This act shall take effect immediately.

STATEMENT

This bill merges the New Jersey Mortgage Finance Agency and the New Jersey Housing Finance Agency into a new, single agency to be known as the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency.

The new agency shall have the property rights and undertake all of the debts, liabilities, obligations, agreements and covenants of the original agencies. The employees of the original agencies shall become employees of the new agency without affecting their pension and retirement system rights. The regulations of the original agencies will remain in effect until changed by the new agencies. These provisions help provide for a smooth transition and protect the rights of bond holders and other creditors and employees.

The board of the agency shall consist of the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs, who shall serve as its chairman, the State Treasurer, the Attorney General and the Commissioner of Banking, who shall be members ex officio, and three members appointed by the Governor with knowledge in the areas of housing design, construction or operation, urban redevelopment or community relations. The minutes of the board are subject to a gubernatorial veto.

In recognition of non-traditional types of housing now available, the need for innovative housing development techniques, volatile financial markets and changing federal programs, the agency is given considerable flexibility in the types of financing and housing activities authorized. The agency may provide financing for operating, maintaining, constructing, acquiring, rehabilitating or improving housing property. All kinds of housing are covered under the act, including single family homes, multi-family dwellings, congregate or other single room occupancy housing, continuing care retirement communities, mobile homes and non-housing properties and facilities that enhance residential areas. "Housing projects" (rental housing of more than 25 dwelling units) will continue to be governed by existing HFA admission criteria with respect to low and moderate income requirements priority for displaced persons, the elderly and so forth. The new agency will have the power to issue taxable bonds.

The provisions of the Boarding House Life Safety Improvement Act of 1981 are incorporated into the bill.

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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An Act to consolidate the New Jersey Housing Finance Agency and the New Jersey Mortgage Finance Agency into a new agency to be known as the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency, establishing its powers and duties, providing for the financing by it of housing in the State and providing for the issuance of bonds, notes and other evidences of financial indebtedness by it.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
- 2 of New Jersey:
- 1. This act shall be known as and may be cited as the "New Jersey
- 2 Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency Law of 1983."
- 1 2. The Legislature hereby finds that:
- 2 a. Changing economic conditions and financial markets have
- 3 reduced the availability in the private sector of feasible construction
- 4 and permanent financing for (1) the construction of new housing,
- 5 (2) the conversion of non-residential structures to housing, (3) the
- 6 rehabilitation and improvement of existing housing and (4) the
- 7 transfer of existing housing among owners; and these conditions
- 8 pertain to both rental housing and owner-occupied housing;
- 9 b. The foregoing conditions adversely affect the economy of this
- 10 State and reduce the number of opportunities for adequate and

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets Ithus in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter printed in italics thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in asterisks or stars has been adopted as follows:

- *--Assembly committee amendments adopted May 26, 1983.
- **-Assembly amendments adopted June 13, 1983.

- affordable housing in the State that are available to New Jersey residents;
- 13 c. Since their creation the New Jersey Mortgage Finance Agency
- 14 and the New Jersey Housing Finance Agency have contributed
- 15 significantly to the achievement of the housing goals of New Jersey,
- 16 providing over 30,000 units of affordable rental housing, and nearly
- 17 30,000 loans for homeownership, as well as numerous loans for home
- 18 improvement;
- d. The continued contribution of these two agencies depends on
- 20 the adaptation of their powers to changing federal housing pro-
- 21 grams and policies, financing availability for housing and the
- 22 housing needs of New Jersey residents; and
- e. The combination and enhancement of the powers of the two
- 24 agencies with respect to the full range of housing types would
- 25 achieve an economy of scale and better equip the State to deal with
- 26 the changing housing needs of an increasingly diverse population
- 27 and economy.

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- 28 The Legislature therefore declares that it is in the best interests
- 29 of the residents of New Jersey to create a strong, unified advocate
- 30 for housing production, finance and improvement which will
- 31 combine available talent, resources and experience to:
- 32 (1) Assure the availability for both rental housing and
- owner-occupied housing of feasible construction and permanent
- 34 financing for new housing construction, the conversion of
- 35 non-residential structures to housing, the rehabilitation and
- 36 improvement of existing housing, and the transfer of existing
- 37 housing among owners;
 - (2) Stimulate the construction, rehabilitation and improve-
- ment of adequate and affordable housing in the State so as to
- increase the number of opportunities for adequate and afford-
- able housing in the State for New Jersey residents, including
- particularly New Jersey residents of low and moderate income;
- 43 (3) Enhance the productive capacity of the private sector in
- 44 meeting the housing needs of the residents of the State;
- 45 (4) Assist in the revitalization of the State's urban areas;
- 47 (5) Respond to changing housing demographic and economic
- 48 circumstances by the development of innovative and flexible
- 49 finance vehicles.

and

- 50 Therefore, this act provides for the consolidation of the New
- 51 Jersey Housing Finance Agency and the New Jersey Mortgage
- 52 Finance Agency into an agency to be known as the New Jersey
- 53 Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency.

- 1 3. As used in this act:
- 2 a. "Agency" means the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage
- 3 Finance Agency as consolidated by section 4 of this act, or, if that
- 4 agency shall be abolished by law, the person, board, body or com-
- 5 mission succeeding to the powers and duties thereof or to whom its
- 6 powers and duties shall be given by law.
- 7 b. "Boarding house" means any building, together with any
- 8 related structure, accessory building, any land appurtenant thereto,
- 9 and any part thereof, which contains two or more units of dwelling
- 10 space arranged or intended for single room occupancy, exclusive
- 11 of any such unit occupied by an owner or operator, including: (1)
- 12 any residential hotel or congregate living arrangement, but exclud-
- 13 ing any hotel, motel or established guest house wherein a minimum
- 14 of 85% of the units of dwelling space are offered for limited tenure
- only; (2) a residential health care facility as defined in section 1
- 16 of P. L. 1953, c. 212 (C. 30:11A-1) or licensed pursuant to P. L.
- 17 1971, c. 136 (C. 26:2H-1 et seq.); (3) any foster home as defined in
- 18 section 1 of P. L. 1962, c. 137 (C. 30:4C-26.1); (4) any community
- 19 residence for the developmentally disabled as defined in section 2
- 20 of P. L. 1977, c. 448 (C. 30:11B-2); (5) any dormitory owned or
- 21 operated on behalf of any nonprofit institution of primary, second-
- 22 ary or higher education for the use of its students; (6) any building
- 23 arranged for single room occupancy wherein the units of dwelling
- 24 space are occupied exclusively by students enrolled in a full-time
- 25 course of study at an institution of higher education approved by
- 26 the Department of Higher Education; and (7) any facility or living
- 27 arrangement operated by, or under contract with, any State depart-
- 28 ment or agency.
- 29 c. "Bonds" mean any bonds, notes, bond anticipation notes,
- 30 debentures or other evidences of financial indebtedness issued by
- 31 the agency pursuant to this act.
- 32 d. "Continuing-care retirement community" means any work or
- 33 undertaking, whether new construction, improvement or rehabilita-
- 34 tion, which may be financed in part or in whole by the agency and
- 35 which is designed to complement fully independent residential units
- 36 with social and health care services (usually including nursing and
- 37 medical services) for retirement families and which is intended to
- 38 provide continuing care for the term of a contract in return for an
- 39 entrance fee or periodic payments, or both, and which may include
- 40 such appurtenances and facilities as the agency deems to be neces-
- 41 sary, convenient or desirable.
- 42 e. "Eligible loan" means a loan, secured or unsecured, made for
- 43 the purpose of financing the operation, maintenance, construction,

44 acquisition, rehabilitation or improvement of property, or the 45 acquisition of a direct or indirect interest *[(including a time-46 sharing interest) ** in property, located in the State, which is or shall be: (1) primarily residential in character or (2) used or to be 47 used to provide services to the residents of an area or project which 48 is primarily residential in character. The agency shall adopt regula-49 tions defining the term "primarily residential in character", which 50 may include single-family, multi-family and congregate or other 5152 single room occupancy housing, continuing-care retirement communities, mobile homes and nonhousing properties and facilities 53 which enhance the livability of the residential property or area: 5455 and specifying the types of residential services and facilities for which eligible loans may be made, which may include, but shall not 56 be limited to, parking facilities, streets, sewers, utilities, and 57 facilities, food, laundry*,* health and other services and commercial 58 establishments and professional offices providing supplies and 59 services enhancing the area. The term "loan" includes an obligation 60 the return on which may vary with any appreciation in value of the 61 property or interest in property financed with the proceeds of the 62 loan*,* or a coventured instrument by which an institutional lender 63 or the agency assumes an equity position in the property*. Any 64 64A undivided interest in an eligible loan shall qualify as an eligible 64в loan.

65 f. "Family" means two or more persons who live or expect to live together as a single household in the same dwelling unit; but any 66 individual who (1) has attained retirement age as defined in section 67 68 216a of the federal Social Security Act, or (2) is under a disability as defined in section 223 of that act, or (3) such other individuals 69 as the agency by rule or regulation shall include, shall be considered 70 71 as a family for the purpose of this act; and the surviving member of a family whose other members died during occupancy of a hous-72ing project shall be considered as a family for the purposes of 73 permitting continued occupancy of the dwelling unit occupied by 74 75 such family.

76 g. "Gross aggregate family income" means the total annual in-77 come of all members of a family, from whatever source derived, including but not limited to, pension, annuity, retirement and social 78 security benefits; except that there may be excluded from income 79 (1) such reasonable allowances for dependents, (2) such reasonable 80 allowances for medical expenses, (3) all or any proportionate part 81 of the earnings of gainfully employed minors, or (4) such income 82 as is not received regularly, as the agency by rule or regulation 83 may determine. 84

- h. "Housing project" or "project" means any work or undertaking, other than a continuing-care retirement community, whether new construction or rehabilitation, which is designed for the primary purpose of providing rental housing of more than 25 dwelling
- 88 ary purpose of providing rental housing of more than 25 dwelling 89 units.
- 90 i. "Housing sponsor" means any person, partnership, corporation 91 or association to which the agency has made or proposes to make 92 a loan, either directly or through an institutional lender, for a 93 housing project.
- j. "Institutional lender" means any bank or trust company, savings bank, national banking association, savings and loan association, or building and loan association maintaining an office in the State, or any insurance company or any mortgage banking firm or mortgage banking corporation authorized to transact business in the State.
- 100 k. "Life safety improvement" means any addition, modification 101 or repair to a boarding house which is necessary to improve the 102 life safety of the residents of the boarding house, as certified by 103 the Department of Community Affairs.
- 104 l. "Life safety improvement loan" means an eligible loan the 105 proceeds of which are to be used to finance, in whole or in part, the 106 construction, acquisition or rendering of life safety improvements 107 at or to boarding houses.
- m. "Loan originator" means any bank or trust company, savings 109 bank, national banking association, savings and loan association, or 110 building and loan association maintaining an office in the State, or 111 any insurance company or any mortgage banking firm or mortgage 112 banking corporation authorized to transact business in the State, 113 or any agency or instrumentality of the United States or the State 114 or a political subdivision of the State, which is authorized to make 115 eligible loans.
- n. "Municipality" means any *political subdivision of the State 117 other than a county or a school district *city of any class or any 1174 town, township, village or borough*.
- o. "Mutual housing" means a housing project operated or to be operated upon completion of construction, improvement or rehabilized itation exclusively for the benefit of the families who are entitled to occupancy by reason of ownership of stock in the housing sponsor, or by reason of co-ownership of premises in a horizontal property regime pursuant to P. L. 1963, c. 168; but the agency may adopt rules and regulations permitting a reasonable percentage of space in such project to be rented for residential or for commercial use.

 p. "Persons and families of low and moderate income" mean

127 persons and families, irrespective of race, creed, national origin or 128 sex, determined by the agency to require assistance on account of 129 personal or family income being not sufficient to afford adequate 130 housing. In making such determination the agency shall take into 131 account the following: (1) the amount of the total income of such 132 persons and families available for housing needs, (2) the size of 133 the family, (3) the cost and condition of housing facilities available 134 and (4) the eligibility of such persons and families to compete 135 successfully in the normal housing market and to pay the amounts 136 at which private enterprise is providing sanitary, decent and safe 137 housing. In the case of projects with respect to which income limits 138 have been established by any agency of the federal government 139 having jurisdiction thereover for the purpose of defining eligibility 140 of low and moderate income families, the agency may determine 141 that the limits so established shall govern. In all other cases income 142 limits for the purpose of defining low or moderate income persons 143 shall be established by the agency in its rules and regulations.

q. "Project cost" means the sum total of all costs incurred in the 145 acquisition, development, construction, improvement or rehabilita-146 tion of a housing project, which are approved by the agency as 147 reasonable or necessary, which costs shall include, but are not 148 necessarily limited to, (1) cost of land acquisition and any buildings 149 thereon, (2) cost of site preparation, demolition and development, 150 (3) architect, engineer, legal, agency and other fees paid or payable 151 in connection with the planning, execution and financing of the 152 project, (4) cost of necessary studies, surveys, plans and permits, 153 (5) insurance, interest, financing, tax and assessment costs and 154 other operating and carrying costs during construction, (6) cost of 155 construction, reconstruction, fixtures, and equipment related to the 156 real property, (7) cost of land improvements, (8) necessary ex-157 penses in connection with initial occupancy of the project, (9) a 158 reasonable profit or fee to the builder and developer, (10) an allow-159 ance established by the agency for working capital and contingency 160 reserves, and reserves for any operating deficits, (11) costs of 161 guarantees, insurance or other additional financial security for the 162 project and (12) the cost of such other items, including tenant 163 relocation, as the agency shall determine to be reasonable and 164 necessary for the development of the project, less any and all net 165 rents and other net revenues received from the operation of the real 166 and personal property on the project site during construction, im-167 provement or rehabilitation.

All costs shall be subject to approval and audit by the agency. 169 The agency may adopt rules and regulations specifying in detail 170 the types and categories of cost which shall be allowable if actually

171 incurred in the development, acquisition, construction, improvement

172 or rehabilitation of a housing project.

173 r. "Retirement family" means one or more persons related by 174 blood, marriage or adoption who live or expect to live together as 175 a single household in the same dwelling unit, provided that at least 176 one of the persons is an individual who (1) has attained retirement 177 age as defined in section 216a of the Federal Social Security Act, or 178 (2) is under a disability as defined in section 223 of that act, or (3) 179 such individuals as the agency by rule or regulation shall include; 180 and provided further, that the surviving member of a retirement 181 family whose other members died during occupancy of a con-182 tinuing-care retirement community shall be considered as a retire-183 ment family for purposes of permitting continued occupancy of the

4. a. The New Jersey Housing Finance Agency, created by sec-

184 dwelling unit occupied by such retirement family.

- 2 tion 4 of P. L. 1967, c. 81 (C. 55:14J-4) and the New Jersey Mort-
- 3 gage Finance Agency created by section 4 of L. 1970, c. 38 (C.
- 4 17:1B-7) are hereby consolidated into a single agency which shall
- 5 be known as the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance
- 6 Agency, which shall be a continuance of the corporate existence of
- 7 those agencies.
- 8 b. In this section, the words "original agencies" refer to the
- 9 agencies which are consolidated pursuant to subsection a. of this
- 10 section before their consolidation, and the word "agency" refers
- 11 to the single agency resulting from that consolidation.
- c. All property, rights and powers of each of the original agencies
- 13 are hereby vested in and shall be exercised by the agency, subject,
- 14 however, to all pledges, covenants, agreements and trusts made or
- 15 created by the original agencies, respectively.
- d. All debts, liabilities, obligations, agreements and covenants of
- 17 the original agencies are hereby imposed upon the agency. Any
- 18 property of the original agencies in which a mortgage or security
- 19 interest has been granted to any bondholders or other creditors of
- 20 either of the original agencies shall continue to be subject to that
- 21 mortgage or security interest until the mortgage or security interest
- 22 is *defeased or* terminated in accordance with its terms. All bond-
- 23 holders and other creditors of the original agencies and persons
- 24 having claims against or contracts with the original agencies of any
- 25 kind or character may enforce those debts, claims and contracts
- 26 against the agency in the same manner as they might have against
- 27 the original agencies respectively, and the rights and remedies of
- 28 those bondholders, creditors and persons having claims or contracts
- 28A shall not be limited or restricted in any manner by this act.

- e. In continuing the functions and carrying out the contracts, obligations and duties of the original agencies, the agency is hereby authorized to act in its own name or in the name of either of the original agencies as may be convenient or advisable.
- f. Any references to either of the original agencies in any other law or regulation shall be deemed to refer to and apply to the agency.
- 36 g. All regulations of the original agencies shall continue to be in 37 effect as the regulations of the agency until amended, supplemented 38 or rescinded by the agency in accordance with law.
- h. All employees of the original agencies shall become employees of the agency. Nothing in this title shall affect the civil service status, if any, of those employees or their rights, privileges, obligations or status with respect to any pension or retirement system.
- i. The agency is hereby established in, but not of, the Department of Community Affairs and constituted a body politic and corporate and an instrumentality exercising public and essential governmental functions, and the exercise by the agency of the powers conferred by this act shall be deemed and held to be an essential governmental function of the State.
- 49 j. The agency shall consist of the Commissioner of the Depart-50 ment of Community Affairs, the State Treasurer, the Attorney General and the Commissioner of Banking, who shall be members 51ex officio, and three members appointed by the Governor with the 52advice and consent of the Senate for terms of three years. The 53 54three members appointed by the Governor shall be residents of the State and shall have knowledge in the areas of housing design, 55 construction or operation; finance; urban redevelopment; or com-56munity relations. The members first appointed by the Governor 57 shall serve for terms of one year, two years and three years re-58 spectively. Each member shall hold office for the term of his 59 appointment and until his successor shall have been appointed and 60 qualified. A member of the agency shall be eligible for reappoint-61 62
- k. Each ex officio member of the agency may designate an officer or employee of his department or agency to represent him at meetings of the agency, and each designee may lawfully vote and otherwise act on behalf of the member for whom he constitutes the designee. Any designation shall be in writing, delivered to the agency and shall continue in effect until revoked or amended by writing, delivered to the agency.
- 70 i. Each member of the agency may be removed from office by the 71 Governor, for cause, after a public hearing and may be suspended

72 by the Governor pending the completion of such a hearing. Each

3 member of the agency before entering upon his duties shall take

74 and subscribe an oath to perform the duties of the office faithfully,

75 impartially and justly to the best of his ability. A record of these

76 oaths shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of State.

77 m. Any vacancies in the membership of the agency occurring 78 other than by expiration of term shall be filled in the same manner 79 as the original appointment, but for the unexpired term only.

n. The Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs 80 81 shall be the chairman of the agency and the members shall elect 82 one of their number as vice-chairman thereof. The agency shall 83 elect a secretary and a treasurer who need not be members; but the same person may be elected to serve both as secretary and 84 treasurer. The powers of the agency shall be vested in the members 85 thereof in office from time to time and four *[voting]* members 86 (which shall include at least two ex officio members) of the agency 87 88 shall constitute a quorum at any meeting thereof. Action may be taken and motions and resolutions adopted by the agency at any 89 meeting thereof by the affirmative vote of at least four *[voting]* 90members of the agency, which shall include at least two ex officio 91 members. No vacancy in the membership of the agency shall im-92pair the right of a quorum to exercise all the powers and perform 93 all the duties of the agency. 94

o. A true copy of the minutes of every meeting of the *[author-95 ity * *agency* shall be forthwith delivered by and under the certi-96fication of the secretary thereof to the Governor. No action taken 97 at such meeting by the *[authority]* *agency* shall have force or 98effect until 10 days, Saturdays, Sundays, and public holidays ex-100 cepted, after such copy of the minutes shall have been so delivered 101 unless during such 10-day period the Governor shall approve the 102 same in which case such action shall become effective upon such 103 approval. If, in said 10-day period, the Governor returns such 104 copy of the minutes with veto of any action taken by the *[author-105 ity * *agency* or any member thereof at such meeting, such action 106 shall be null and void and of no effect. The Governor may approve 107 all or part of the action taken at such meeting prior to the expira-107A tion of the said 10-day period.

p. The members of the agency shall serve without compensation,
but the agency shall reimburse its members for actual expenses
necessarily incurred in the discharge of their duties.

q. Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law, no officer or the state shall be deemed to have forfeited or shall forfeit his office or employment or any benefits or emoluments

- 114 thereof by reason of acceptance of the office of member of the 115 agency or his services in such office.
- 116 r. The agency may be dissolved by act of the Legislature on 117 condition that the agency has no debts or obligations outstanding or
- 118 provision has been made for the perment or retirement of its
- 118 provision has been made for the payment or retirement of its
- 119 debts or obligations. Upon dissolution of the agency all property,
- 120 funds and assets thereof shall be vested in the State.
 - 5. In order to carry out the purposes and provisions of this act,
 - 2 the agency, in addition to any powers granted to it elsewhere in
 - 3 this act, shall have the following powers:
- 4 a. To adopt bylaws for the regulation of its affairs and the
- 5 conduct of its business; to adopt an official seal and alter the same
- 6 at pleasure; to maintain an office at such place or places within
- 7 the State as it may designate; to sue and be sued in its own name;
- 8 b. To conduct examinations and hearings and to hear testimony
- 9 and take proof, under oath or affirmation, at public or private
- 10 hearings, on any matter material for its information and necessary
- 11 to carry out the provisions of this act;
- 12 c. To issue subpenas requiring the attendance of witnesses and
- 13 the production of books and papers pertinent to any hearing be-
- 14 fore the agency, or before one or more of the members of the agency
- 15 appointed by it to conduct a hearing;
- d. To apply to any court, having territorial jurisdiction of the
- 17 offense, to have punished for contempt any witness who refuses to
- 18 obey a subpena, or who refuses to be sworn or affirmed to testify,
- 19 or who is guilty of any contempt after summons to appear;
- 20 e. To acquire by purchase, gift, foreclosure or condemnation any
- 21 real or personal property, or any interest therein, to enter into any
- 22 lease of property and to hold, sell, assign, lease, encumber, mort-
- 23 gage or otherwise dispose of any real or personal property, or
- 24 any interest therein, or mortgage lien interest owned by it or under
- 25 its control, custody or in its possession and release or relinquish
- 26 any right, title, claim, lien, interest, easement or demand however
- 27 acquired, including any equity or right of redemption, in property
- 28 foreclosed by it and to do any of the foregoing by public or pri-
- 29 vate sale, with or without public bidding, notwithstanding the
- 30 provisions of any other law;
- 31 f. To acquire, hold, use and dispose of its income, revenues,
- 32 funds and moneys;
- 33 g. To adopt rules and regulations expressly authorized by this
- 34 act and such additional rules and regulations as shall be necessary
- 35 or desirable to carry out the purposes of this act; it shall publish
- 36 the same and file them with the Secretary of State;

- 37 h. To borrow money or secure credit on a temporary, short-
- 38 term, interim or long-term basis, and to issue negotiable bonds and
- 39 to secure the payment thereof and to provide for the rights of the
- 40 holders thereof;
- 41 i. To make and enter into and enforce all contracts and agree-
- 42 ments necessary, convenient or desirable to the performance of
- 43 its duties and the execution of its powers under this act, including
- 44 contracts or agreements with qualified financial institutions for
- 45 the servicing and processing of eligible loans owned by the agency;
- 46 j. To appoint and employ an executive director, who shall be the
- 47 chief executive officer of the agency, and additional officers, who
- 48 need not be members of the agency as the agency deems advisable,
- 49 and to employ architects, engineers, attorneys, accountants, con-
- 50 struction and financial experts and other employees and agents as
- 51 may be necessary in its judgment and to determine their qualifica-
- 52 tions, terms of office, duties and compensation; and to promote
- 53 and discharge such officers, employees and agents, all without re-
- 54 gard to the provisions of Title 11 of the Revised Statutes, Civil
- 55 Service;
- 56 k. To contract for and to receive and accept any gifts, grants,
- 57 loans or contributions from any source, of money, property, labor
- 58 or other things of value, to be held, used and applied to carry out
- 59 the purposes of this act subject to the conditions upon which the
- 60 grants and contributions may be made, including, but not limited
- 61 to, gifts or grants from any department or agency of the United
- 62 States or the State for payment of rent supplements to eligible
- 63 families or for the payment in whole or in part of the interest
- 64 expense for a housing project or for any other purpose consistent
- 65 with this act;
- 1. To enter into agreements to pay annual sums in lieu of taxes
- 67 to any political subdivision of the State with respect to any real
- 68 property owned or operated directly by the agency;
- 69 m. To procure insurance against any loss in connection with its
- 70 operations, property and other assets (including eligible loans) in
- 71 the amounts and from the insurers it deems desirable;
- 72 n. To the extent permitted under its contract with the holders of
- 73 bonds of the agency, to consent to any modification with respect to
- 74 rate of interest, time and payment of any installment of principal
- 75 or interest, security or any other terms of any loan to an insti-
- 76 tutitional lender, eligible loan, loan commitment, contract or
- 77-78 agreement of any kind to which the agency is a party;
- 79 o. To the extent permitted under its contract with the holders of
- 80 bonds of the agency, to enter into contracts with any housing spon-

- 81 sor containing provisions enabling the housing sponsor to reduce
- 82 the rental or carrying charges to persons unable to pay the regular
- 83 schedule of charges *[whereby]* *where, by* reason of other in-
- 84 come or payment from the agency, any department or agency of
- 85 the United States or the State, these reductions can be made with-
- 86 out jeopardizing the economic stability of the housing project;
- 97 p. To make and collect the fees and charges it determines are
- 88 reasonable;
- 89 q. To the extent permitted under its contract with the holders of
- 90 bonds of the agency, to invest and reinvest any moneys of the
- 91 agency not required for immediate use, including proceeds from
- 92 the sale of any obligations of the agency, in obligations, securities
- 93 or other investments as the agency deems prudent. All functions,
- 94 powers and duties relating to the investment or reinvestment of
- 95 these funds, including the purchase, sale or exchange of any in-
- 96 vestments or securities may, upon the request of the agency, be
- 97 exercised and performed by the Director of the Division of Invest-
- 98 ment in the Department of the Treasury, in accordance with written
- 99 directions of the agency signed by an authorized officer, without
- 100 regard to any other law relating to investments by the Director of
- 101 the Division of Investment;
- 102 r. To provide, contract or arrange for, *[whereby] * *where, by *
- 103 reason of the financing arrangement, review of the application and
- 104 proposed construction of a project is required by or in behalf of any
- 105 department or agency of the United States, consolidated processing
- 106 of the application or supervision or, in the alternative, to delegate
- 107 the processing in whole or in part to any such department or
- 108 agency;
- 109 s. To make eligible loans, and to participate with any depart-
- 110 ment, agency or authority of the United States or of any state
- 111 thereof, this State, a municipality, or any banking institution,
- 112 foundation, labor union, insurance company, trustee or fiduciary
- 113 in an eligible loan, *[to a housing sponsor]* secured by a single
- 114 participating mortgage, by separate mortgages or by other security
- 115 agreements, the interest of each having equal priority as to lien in
- 116 proportion to the amount of the loan so secured, but which need not
- 117 be equal as to interest rate, time or rate of amortization or other-
- 118 wise, and to undertake commitments to make such loans;
- 119 t. To assess from time to time the housing needs of any munici-
- 120 pality which is experiencing housing shortages as a result of the
- 121 authorization of casino gaming and to address those needs when
- 122 planning its programs;
- 123 u. To sell *any eligible loan made by the agency or any loan to an

- 124 institutional lender owned by the agency*, at public or private sale,
- 125 with or without bidding, *[any]* *either singly or in groups, or in
- 126 shares of loans or shares of groups of loans, issue securities, certi-
- 127 ficates or other evidence of ownership secured by such loans or
- 128 groups of loans, sell the same to investors, arrange for the market-
- 1281 ing of the same; and to deposit and invest the funds derived from
- 128B such sales in any manner authorized by this act; ** * [eligible loan
- 128c or loan owned by the agency to an institutional lender; 1*
- 128_D v. To make commitments to purchase, and to purchase, service
- 128E and sell, eligible loans*, pools of loans or securities based on loans,*
- 128F insured *or issued* by any department or agency of the United
- 128G States, and to make loans directly upon the security of any such
- 128 mloan*, pools of loans or securities*;
- 129 w. To provide such advisory consultation, training and educa-
- 130 tional services as will assist in the planning, construction, rehabili-
- 131 tation and operation of housing including but not limited to assist-
- 132 ance in community development and organization, home manage-
- 133 ment and advisory services for residents and to encourage com-
- 134 munity organizations and local governments to assist in developing
- 135 housing;
- 136 x. To encourage research in and demonstration projects to de-
- 137 velop new and better techniques and methods for increasing the
- 138 supply, types and financing of housing and housing projects in the
- 139 State and to engage in these research and demonstration projects
- 140 and to receive and accept contributions, grants or aid, from any
- 141 source, public or private, including but not limited to the United
- 142 States and the State, for carrying out this purpose;
- 143 y. To provide to housing sponsors, through eligible loans or
- 144 otherwise, financing, refinancing or financial assistance for fully
- 145 completed, as well as partially completed, projects which may or
- 146 may not be occupied, if the projects meet all the requirements of
- 147 this act, except that, prior to the making of the mortgage loan by
- 148 the agency, said projects need not have complied with sections
- 149 7.a.(9) and 40 of this act;
- 150 *z. To encourage and stimulate cooperatives and other forms of
- 151 housing with tenant participation;
- 152 aa. To promote innovative programs for home ownership, in-
- 153 cluding but not limited to lease-purchase programs, employer-
- 154 sponsored housing programs, and tenant cooperatives.
- 155 bb. To set aside and designate, out of the funds that are or may
- 156 become available to it for the purpose of financing housing in this
- 157 State pursuant to the terms of this act, certain sums or proportions
- 158 thereof to be used for the financing of housing and home-ownership

- 159 opportunities, including specifically lease-purchase arrangements,
- 160 provided by employers to their employees through nonprofit or
- 161 limited-dividend corporations or associations created by employers
- 162 for that purpose; and to establish priority in funding, offer bonus
- 163 fund allocations, and institute other incentives to encourage such
- 164 employer-sponsored housing and home-ownership opportunities;*
- 165 *[z.]* *ec.* Subject to any agreement with bondholders, to col-
- 166 lect, enforce the collection of, and *[foreclosure]* *foreclose*
- 167 on any property or collateral securing its eligible loan or loans to
- 168 institutional lenders and acquire or take possession of such prop-
- 169 erty or collateral and sell the same at public or private sale, with
- 170 or without bidding, and otherwise deal with such collateral as may
- 171 be necessary to protect the interests of the agency therein;
- *[aa.]* *dd.* To administer and to enter into agreements to ad-
- 173 minister programs of the federal government or any other entity
- 174 which are in furtherance of the purposes of this act;
- 175 *[bb.]* *ee.* To do and perform any acts and things authorized
- 176 by this act under, through, or by means of its officers, agents or
- 177 employees or by contracts with any person, firm or corporation; and
- 178 *[cc.]* *ff.* To do any acts and things necessary or convenient
- 179 to carry out the powers expressly granted in this act.
 - 1 6. a. The agency, in order to encourage the development, opera-
 - 2 tion, maintenance, construction, improvement and rehabilitation of
 - B safe and adequate housing in the State, is hereby authorized and
 - 4 empowered to finance, by the making of eligible loans or otherwise,
- 5 the construction, improvement or rehabilitation of housing projects
- 6 in the State.

- b. The agency, in order to carry out the purposes of subsection
- 8 a. of this section, may:
 - (1) accept applications for loans;
- 10 (2) enter into agreements with housing sponsors for perma-
- 11 nent loans and temporary loans or advances in anticipation
- of permanent loans for the developments, operation, mainte-
- nance, construction, improvement or rehabilitation of housing
- 14 projects; and
- 15 (3) make permanent loans and temporary loans or advances
- in anticipation of permanent loans to housing sponsors under
- the provisions of this act.
- 18 c. No application for a loan for the construction, improvement
- 19 or rehabilitation of a housing project containing rental units to be
- 20 rented at below market rates to be located in any municipality shall
- 21 be processed unless there is already filed with the secretary of the
- 22 agency a certified copy of a resolution adopted by the municipality

- 23 reciting that there is a need for such housing projects in the mu-24 nicipality.
- d. Every application for a loan to a housing sponsor shall be made on forms furnished by the agency and shall contain such information as the agency shall require.

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- e. In considering any application for a loan for a housing project, the agency shall give first priority to applications for loans for the construction, improvement or rehabilitation of housing projects which will be a part of or constructed in connection with an urban redevelopment program, and also shall give consideration to:
 - (1) the comparative need of the area to be served by the proposed project for housing;
 - (2) the ability of the applicant to construct, operate, manage and maintain the proposed housing project;
 - (3) the existence of zoning or other regulations to protect adequately the proposed housing project against detrimental future uses which could cause undue depreciation in the value of the project;
 - (4) the availability of adequate parks, recreational areas, utilities, schools, transportation and parking;
 - (5) the availability of adequate, accessible places of employment; and
 - (6) where applicable, the eligibility of the applicant to make payments to the municipality in which the housing project is located in lieu of local property taxes.
- 7. a. Loans made by the agency to finance housing projects shall be subject to the following terms and conditions:
 - (1) The loan shall be for a period of time not in excess of 50 years as determined by the agency;
 - (2) The amount of the loan shall not exceed 90% of the total project cost as determined by the agency, except that as to projects to be owned, constructed, improved, rehabilitated, operated, managed and maintained as mutual housing or by any corporation or association organized not for profit which has as one of its purposes the construction, improvement or rehabilitation of housing projects, the amount of the loan shall not exceed 100% of the total project cost as determined by the agency; but the agency may make additional loans to a housing sponsor to which a loan by the agency for the cost of a project is outstanding if and to the extent that the agency finds that such additional loan is required to more adequately secure and protect the project or to avoid a default by the sponsor on the original loan for the cost of the project and

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is in the best interest of the agency and the holders of its bonds issued to finance the original loan for the cost of the project;

- (3) The interest rate on the loan shall be established by the agency at the lowest level consistent with the agency's cost of operation and its responsibilities to the holders of its bonds;
- (4) The loan shall be evidenced by a mortgage note or bond and by a mortgage which shall be a first lien on the project and which shall contain such terms and provisions and be in a form approved by the agency. The agency shall require the qualified housing sponsor receiving a loan or its contractor to post security in amounts related to the project cost as established by regulation and to execute such other assurances and guarantees as the agency may deem necessary and may require its principals or stockholders to also execute such other assurances and guarantees as the agency may deem necessary;
- (5) The loan shall be subject to an agreement between the agency and the housing sponsor which will subject the housing sponsor and its principals or stockholders to limitations established by the agency as to rentals and other charges, builders' and developers' profits and fees, and the disposition of its property and franchises to the extent more restrictive limitations are not provided by the law under which the borrower is incorporated or organized;
- (6) The loan shall be subject to an agreement between the agency and the housing sponsor limiting the housing sponsor and its principals or stockholders to such rate of return on its investment in the housing project to be assisted with a loan from the agency as shall be fixed from time to time by the agency in its regulations which shall take into account the prevailing rates of return available for similar investments and the risks associated with the development of the project, together with factors designed to promote the objectives of providing affordable housing, encouraging investment in urban development areas, maintaining and improving the existing housing stock, and other objectives of this act; but agreements entered into by the predecessors of the agency prior to the effective date of this act shall continue to be subject to any restrictions on rate of return imposed by prior law unless those restrictions are expressly modified pursuant to regulations of the agency. No housing sponsor which is permitted by the provisions of the law under which it is organized or incorporated to earn a return on its investment, nor any of

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the principals or stockholders of that housing sponsor, shall earn, accept or receive a return on investment greater than the rate of return fixed by the agency in any housing project assisted with a loan from the agency, whether upon the completion of the construction, improvement or rehabilitation of the project, or upon the operation thereof, or upon the sale, assignment or lease of the project to any other person, association or corporation who violates the provisions of this subsection is guilty of a crime of the fourth degree;

(7) No loan shall be executed except a loan made to a corporation or association organized not for profit which has as one of its purposes the development, construction, improvement or rehabilitation of housing projects or for mutual housing unless the housing sponsor agrees (a) to certify upon completion of project construction, improvement or rehabilitation, subject to audit by the agency, either that the actual project cost as defined herein exceeded the amount of the loan proceeds by 10% or more, or the amount by which the loan proceeds exceed 90% of the total project cost, and (b) to pay forthwith to the agency, for application to reduction of the principal of the loan, the amount, if any, of such excess loan proceeds, subject to audit and determination by the agency. No loan shall be made to a corporation or association organized not for profit or for mutual housing unless the corporation or association organized not for profit or for mutual housing agrees to certify the actual project cost upon completion of the project, subject to audit and determination by the agency, and further agrees to pay forthwith to the agency, for application to reduction of the principal of the loan, the amount, if any, by which the proceeds of the loan exceed the certified project cost subject to audit and determination by the agency. Notwithstanding the provisions of this paragraph, the agency may accept, in lieu of any certification of project cost as provided herein, such other assurances of the project cost in any form or manner whatsoever, as will enable the agency to determine with reasonable accuracy the amount of the project cost;

(8) No loan shall be made for the construction, improvement or rehabilitation of a housing project for which tax exemption is granted by a municipality unless the tax exemption remains in effect during the entire term of the loan, unless a lesser period of tax exemption is approved by the agency; and

(9) The loan shall be subject to an agreement between the agency and the qualified housing sponsor which contains a provision stating the prevailing wage rate, as determined by either the Commissioner of Labor and Industry or the Secre-tary of the United States Department of Labor in accordance with the provisions of section 40 of this act, which can be paid to the workmen employed in the performance of any contract for the construction or rehabilitation of any housing project, and which stipulates that the qualified housing sponsor, or any builder, contractor or subcontractor thereof, shall pay to such workmen not less than the applicable prevailing wage rate pursuant to that section.

b. As a condition of any loan to finance a housing project, the 118 agency shall have the power at all times during the construction, 119 improvement or rehabilitation of a housing project and the operation thereof:

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- (1) To enter upon and inspect without prior notice any project, including all parts thereof, for the purpose of investigating the physical and financial condition thereof, and its construction, improvement, rehabilitation, operation, management and maintenance, and to examine all books and records with respect to capitalization, income and other matters relating thereto and to make such charges as may be required to cover the cost of such inspections and examinations;
- (2) To order such alterations, changes or repairs as may be necessary to protect the security of its investment in a housing project or the health, safety, and welfare of the occupants thereof;
- (3) To order any managing agent, project manager or owner of a housing project to do such acts as may be necessary to comply with the provisions of all applicable laws or ordinances or any rule or regulation of the agency or the terms of any agreement concerning the project or to refrain from doing any acts in violation thereof and in this regard the agency shall be a proper party to file a complaint and to prosecute thereon for any violations of law or ordinances as set forth herein;
- (4) To require the adoption and continuous use of uniform systems of accounts and records for a project and to require all owners or managers of a project to file annual reports containing that information and verified in such manner as the agency shall require, and to file at the times and on the forms as it may prescribe, reports and answers to specific

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inquiries required by the agency to determine the extent of compliance with any agreement, the terms of the loan, the provisions of this act and any other applicable law;

- (5) To enforce, by court action if necessary, the terms and provisions of any agreement between the agency and the housing sponsor and the terms of any agreement between the housing sponsor and any municipality granting tax exemption, as to schedules of rental or carrying charges, income limits as applied to tenants or occupants, or any other limitation imposed upon the housing sponsor as to financial structure, construction or operation of the project; and
- (6) In the event of a violation by the housing sponsor of the terms of any agreement between the agency and the housing sponsor, or between the municipality granting tax exemption and the housing sponsor, or in the event of a violation by the housing sponsor of this act or of the terms of the loan agreement or of any rules and regulations of the agency duly promulgated pursuant to this act, or in the event that the agency shall determine that any loan or advance from the Housing Development Fund pursuant to section 28 of this act is in jeopardy of not being repaid, the agency may, without resort to any judicial process, assume all of the powers and duties of the housing sponsor in the management and operation of the project, including but not limited to the power to receive all revenues and pay all expenses of the project and the power to control all property, including bank accounts and cash, owned by the housing sponsor. The agency may appoint such person or persons whom the agency in its sole discretion deems advisable, including officers or employees of the agency, to perform the functions of the officers or other controlling persons of the housing sponsor. Persons so appointed need not be stockholders or meet other qualifications which may be prescribed by the certificate of incorporation, bylaws or partnership agreement of the housing sponsor. In the absence of fraud or bad faith, persons so appointed shall not be personally liable for debts, obligations or liabilities of the housing sponsor. Persons so appointed shall serve only for a period coexistent with the duration of the violation or until the agency is assured in a manner satisfactory to it that the violation, or violations of a similar nature, will not reoccur. Persons so appointed shall serve in such capacity without compensation, but shall be entitled to be reimbursed, if and as the certificate of incorporation, bylaws or partnership agreement of the

housing sponsor may provide, for all necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties as determined by the agency.

1 8. a. Admission to housing projects constructed, improved or 2 rehabilitated under this act shall be limited to families whose gross aggregate family income at the time of admission does not 3 exceed six times the annual rental or carrying charges, including 4 the value or cost to them of heat, light, water, sewerage, parking 5 facilities and cooking fuel, of the dwellings that may be furnished 6 7 to such families, or seven times those charges if there are three or more dependents. There may be included in the carrying charges 8 to any family for residence in any mutual housing project con-9 structed, improved or rehabilitated with a loan from the agency 10 11 an amount equal to 6% of the original cash investment of the family in the mutual housing project and, to the extent authorized 12 by the agency where not included in the carrying charges, the 13 value or cost of repainting the apartment and replacing any 14 fixtures or appliances. Notwithstanding the provisions of this 15 section, no family or individual shall be eligible for admission to 16 any housing project constructed, improved or rehabilitated with a 17 18 loan from the agency, whose gross aggregate family income exceeds such amount as shall be established from time to time by 19 the agency, by rules or regulations promulgated hereunder; except 20 that with respect to any project financed by an agency loan insured 21or guaranteed by the United States of America or any agency or 22instrumentality thereof, the agency may adopt the admission 23standards for such projects then currently utilized or required by 2425 the guarantor or insurer.

b. The agency shall by rules and regulations provide for the 26-29periodic examination of the income of any person or family resid-30 ing in any housing project constructed, improved or rehabilitated 31 with a loan from the agency. If the gross aggregate family income 32 of a family residing in a housing project increases and the ratio to 33 34 the current rental or carrying charges of the dwelling unit becomes greater than the ratio prescribed for admission in subsection a. of 35 this section but is not more than 25% above the family income so 36 prescribed for admission to the project, the owner or managing 37 agent of the housing project shall permit the family to continue to 38 occupy the unit. The agency or (with the approval of the agency) 39 40 the housing sponsor of any housing project constructed, improved or rehabilitated with a loan from the agency, may terminate the 41 tenancy or interest of any family residing in the housing project 42whose gross aggregate family income exceeds by 25% or more the

amount prescribed herein and which continues to do so for a period of six months or more; but no tenancy or interest of any such family in any such housing project shall be terminated except upon reasonable notice and opportunity to obtain suitable alternate hous-ing, in accordance with rules and regulations of the agency; and any such family, with the approval of the agency, may be permitted 9 to continue to occupy the unit, subject to payment of a rent or carrying *charge* surcharge to the housing sponsor in accordance with a schedule of surcharges fixed by the agency. The housing sponsor shall pay the surcharge to the municipality granting tax exemption, but only up to an amount that together with payments made to the municipality in lieu of taxes and for any land taxes equals 25% of the total rents or carrying charges of the housing project for the current and any prior years that the project has 57A been in operation.

c. For projects on which the agency has made a loan and financed the loan with the proceeds of bonds issued prior to January 1, 1973, any remainder of the surcharge, or the total surcharge if tax exemption has not been granted, shall be paid into the housing finance fund securing the bonds issued to finance the project for the use of the agency; for projects financed on or after January 1, 1973, any remainder of the surcharge, or the total surcharge if tax exemption has not been granted, shall be paid to the agency.

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d. Any family residing in a mutual housing project required to remove from the project because of excessive income as herein provided shall be discharged from liability on any note, bond or other evidence of indebtedness relating thereto and shall be reimbursed, in accordance with the rules of the agency, for all sums paid by the family to the housing sponsor on account of the purchase of stock or debentures as a condition of occupancy or on account of the acquisition of title for such purpose.

e. The agency shall establish admission rules and regulations for any housing project financed in whole or in part by loans authorized hereunder which shall provide priority categories for persons displaced by urban renewal projects, highway programs or other public works, persons living in substandard housing, persons and families who, by reason of family income, family size or disabilities, have special needs, elderly persons and families living under conditions violative of minmum health and safety standards.

9. a. The agency may institute any action or proceeding against any housing sponsor receiving a loan under the provisions hereof, or owning any housing project hereunder in any court of competent jurisdiction in order to enforce the provisions of this act, or to foreclose its mortgage, or to protect the public interest, the tenants, the stockholders or creditors of the sponsor. In connection with any such action or proceeding it may apply for the appointment of a receiver to take over, manage, operate and maintain the affairs of the housing sponsor and the agency, through the agent as

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b. The reorganization of any housing sponsor shall be subject to the supervision and control of the agency, and no reorganization shall be had without the consent of the agency. Upon a reorganization, the amount of capitalization, including stocks, income debentures and bonds and other evidences of indebtedness, shall be as authorized by the agency, but not in excess of the fair value of the property received.

10. a. In any foreclosure action involving a housing sponsor other than a foreclosure action instituted by the agency, the agency and the municipality in which any tax exemption or abatement is provided to the housing sponsor shall, in addition to other necessary parties, be made parties defendant. The agency and the municipality shall take all steps in the action necessary to protect the interest of the public therein, and no costs shall be awarded against the agency or the municipality.

b. Subject to the terms of any applicable loan agreement, contract 9 or other instrument entered into or obtained pursuant to subsection 10 a. of section 7 of this act, judgment of foreclosure in accordance 11 with this section shall not be entered unless the court to which 12application therefor is made shall be satisfied that the interest 13 of the lienholder or holders cannot be adequately secured or safe-14 guarded except by the sale of the property; and in the proceeding 15the court shall be authorized to make an order increasing the rental 16 or carrying charges to be charged for the housing accommodations 17 in the housing project involved in the foreclosure, or appoint a 18 member of the agency or any officer of the municipality in which 19 any tax exemption or abatement with respect to the project is 20 provided, as a receiver of the property, or grant such other and 21further relief as may be reasonable and proper; and in the event 22 of a foreclosure or other judicial sale, the property shall be sold 23 only to a housing sponsor which will manage, operate and maintain 24the project subject to the provisions of this act, unless the court 25finds that the interest and principal on the obligations secured by 26 the lien which is the subject of foreclosure cannot be earned under 27 the limitations imposed by the provisions of this act and that the 28

proceeding was brought in good faith, in which event the property may be sold free of limitations imposed by this act or subject to such limitations as the court may deem advisable to protect the public interest.

c. In the event of a judgment against any housing sponsor in any action not pertaining to the foreclosure of a mortgage, there shall be no sale of any of the real property included in any housing project hereunder of the housing sponsor except upon 120 days' written notice to the agency. Upon receipt of the notice the agency shall take those steps as in its judgment may be necessary to protect the rights of all parties.

1 11. a. The agency may make loans to institutional lenders in order
2 to furnish funds to institutional lenders to make eligible loans;
3 but an eligible loan for a housing project shall be subject to all the
4 provisions of this act applicable to agency loans to housing sponsors
5 for housing projects.

b. The agency shall adopt rules and regulations governing the making of these loans to institutional lenders and the application of the proceeds thereof, including rules and regulations as to any of the following:

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- (1) procedures for the submission of requests or the invitation of proposals for loans;
- (2) standards and requirements concerning allocations of loans to the institutional lenders or awards of loans and determining the amounts of interest rates thereof;
- (3) limitations or restrictions as to the number of family units, location or other qualifications or characteristics *[projects or of]* * of projects or* residences to be financed by eligible loans,
- (4) restrictions as to the maturities and interest rates on eligible loans or the return realized therefrom by institutional lenders;
- (5) requirements as to commitments by institutional lenders with respect to eligible loans;
- (6) schedules of any fees and charges necessary to provide for expenses and reserves of the agency; and
- (7) any other matters related to the duties and the exercise of the powers of the agency under this section.

These rules and regulations shall be designed to effectuate the general purposes of this act and the following specific objectives: the expansion of the supply of funds in the State available for housing; the provision of the additional housing needed to remedy the shortage of adequate housing in the State and eliminate the 31 existence of a large number of sub-standard dwellings; the provision of nonhousing facilities which enhance the livability of resi-3233 dential properties or areas being improved through financing by 34the agency and provide supplies and services primarily to the 35 residents of such residential properties and areas; and the effective 36 participation by institutional lenders in the programs authorized 37 by this act and the restriction of the financial return and benefit 38 thereto from such programs to that necessary and reasonable to induce such participation.

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40 c. Loans to institutional lenders shall be general obligations of the 41 respective institutional lenders owing the same and shall bear such 42 date or dates, shall mature at such time or times, shall be evidenced by such note, bond or other certificate of indebtedness, shall be 43 subject to prepayment, and shall contain such other provisions 44 45consistent with this section, all as the agency shall by resolution determine. 46

d. The agency shall require as a condition of each loan to an institutional lender that the institutional lender thereafter proceed as promptly as practicable to make and disburse from the loan proceeds, eligible loans in an aggregate principal amount equal to the amount of the loan.

e. The agency may require that loans to institutional lenders shall be additionally secured as to payment of both principal and interest by a pledge of and lien upon collateral security in such amounts as the agency shall by resolution determine to be necessary to assure the payment of the loans and the interest thereon as they become due. The agency may require that collateral mortgages be insured by a mortgage guaranty insurance company licensed to do business by the State. The agency may enter into an agreement with an institutional lender containing such provisions as the agency shall deem necessary to adequately identify and maintain such collateral and service the same and shall provide that the institutional lender shall hold the collateral as an agent for the agency and shall be held accountable as the trustee of an express trust for the application and disposition thereof and the income therefrom solely to the uses and purposes in accordance with the provisions of the agreement. A copy of each agreement and any revisions or supplements thereto shall be filed with the Secretary of State and no further filing or other action under Title 12A, Commercial Transactions, of the New Jersey Statutes or any other law of the State shall be required to perfect the security interest of the agency in the collateral or any additions thereto or substitutions therefor, and the lien and trust for the benefit of the agency so created shall

be binding from the time made against all parties having claims of any kind in tort, contract, or otherwise against the institutional lender. The agency may also establish additional requirements as it deems necessary with respect to the pledging, assigning, setting aside, or holding of the collateral and the making of substitutions therefor or additions thereto and the disposition of income and receipts therefrom.

f. The agency shall require the submission to it by each institutional lender to which the agency has made a loan of evidence satisfactory to the agency of the making of eligible loans as required by this section and prescribed by rules and regulations of the agency and in connection therewith may inspect the books and records of the institutional lender.

g. The agency may require as a condition of any loans to insti-88 tional lenders such representations and warranties as it shall 89 determine to be necessary to secure the loans and carry out the 90 purposes of this act.

91h. Compliance by any institutional lender with the terms of this section and its undertaking to the agency with respect to the making 92of eligible loans may be enforced by decree of the Superior Court. 93The agency may require as a condition of any loan to any institu-94 tional lender the consent of the institutional lender to the juris-95 diction of the Superior Court over any such proceeding. The agency 96 may also require agreement by any institutional lender, as a condi-97 tion of the loan to the institutional lender, to the payment of 98 penalties to the agency for violation by the institutional lender of 99100 any provision of this section or its undertaking to the agency with 101 respect to the making of eligible loans, and these penalties shall be 102 recoverable at the suit of the agency.

12. a. The agency in order to encourage the development, operation, construction, improvement, and rehabilitation of an adequate supply of affordable housing, shall have the power:

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- (1) to make and to purchase or participate in the purchase, and to contract to purchase or participate in the purchase, of eligible loans and to enter into advance commitments for the making of or the purchase, or for participation in the purchase, of eligible loans, at the prices and upon the terms and conditions determined by the agency;
- (2) to sell eligible loans acquired by the agency at public or private sale and at the price or prices and upon the terms and conditions *as may be* determined by the agency;
- (3) to enter into arrangements or agreements with loan originators, which may be a part of any contract with the loan

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originators for the purchase or participation in the purchase of eligible loans, containing provisions determined by the agency to be necessary or appropriate to provide security for its bonds, including but not limited to provisions requiring the repurchase of eligible loans or participations therein by the loan originators at the option of the agency, payments of such premiums, fees, charges or other amounts by loan originators to provide a reserve or escrow fund for the purposes, among others, of protecting against defaults with respect to eligible loans, and provisions for the guarantee by, or for recourse against, loan originators with respect to defaults on eligible loans of the agency;

- (4) to enter into contracts for the servicing and custody of eligible loans owned by the agency, which contracts may provide for the payment of the reasonable value of services rendered to the agency pursuant to the contracts;
- (5) to renegotiate or refinance any eligible loan, or foreclose, or contract for the foreclosure of, any mortgage securing any eligible loan in default; to waive any default or consent to the modification of the terms of any mortgage; to commence any action to protect or enforce any right conferred upon by any law, mortgage, insurance policy, contract or other agreement, and to bid for and to purchase the property securing any eligible loan at any foreclosure or at any other sale, or acquire or take possession of any such property; to operate, manage, lease, dispose of, and otherwise deal with such property; all in the manner as may be necessary to protect the interest of the agency and the holders of its bonds;
- (6) to procure insurance against any default with respect to eligible loans in such amounts and from such insurers as may be necessary or desirable;
- (7) to establish, revise from time to time, charge and collect such premiums, fees or other charges in connection with the making or purchase of eligible loans, as the agency determines and to apply those premiums, fees or charges to the purposes or deposit them in funds or reserves, as the agency determines; and
- (8) to provide subsidies or other reductions of interest rates with respect to eligible loans in order to encourage the availability of affordable housing or housing for *persons and families of* low and moderate income *[families]*.
- b. An eligible loan for a housing project made by the agency or
 purchased by the agency less than one year after construction of

58 the project was commenced shall be subject to all the provisions 59 of this act applicable to agency loans to housing sponsors for 60 housing projects.

- c. The agency shall from time to time adopt rules and regulations governing the making or purchase of eligible loans, including, without limitation, rules and regulations as to any of the following:
 - (1) procedures for the purchase of eligible loans by the agency, whether by auction, invitation of tenders, or negotiation;
 - (2) standards and requirements as to allocations of purchases of eligible loans among *all or certain of the* loan originators or among particular areas of the State;
 - (3) limitations or restrictions as to the number of family units, income levels for owners or occupants, or location or other qualifications or characteristics of residences to be financed by the eligible loans to be made by the agency or by loan originators;
 - (4) restrictions as to the maturities and interest rates on eligible loans and on the return realized from the origination and sale of eligible loans to the agency by loan originators;
 - (5) standards and requirements for eligible loans which are not secured by a mortgage; and
 - (6) any other matters related to the duties and the exercise of the powers of the agency in connection with the purchase of eligible loans under this act.
- d. These rules and regulations and the terms and conditions for the making or purchase of eligible loans shall effectuate the general purposes of the act and the following specific objectives: (1) the expansion of the supply of funds in the State available for eligible loans, (2) the provision of the additional housing needed to remedy the shortage of adequate housing in the State and to eliminate the existence of a large number of substandard dwellings and (3) the provision of nonhousing facilities which enhance the livability of residential properties or areas being improved through financing by the agency and provide supplies and services primarily to the residents of those residential properties and areas.
- e. The agency shall require as a condition of each purchase of eligible loans from a loan originator that the loan originator proseed as promptly as practicable to make and disburse from the proceeds thereof eligible loans in an aggregate principal amount equal, as nearly as practicable, to the amount of the proceeds from the purchase by the agency of eligible loans therefrom, but these requirements shall not apply if the eligible loans so purchased were

101 originated pursuant to a commitment or other arrangement with 102 the agency.

103 f. The agency shall require the submission to it by each loan 104 originator from which the agency has purchased eligible loans evi105 dence satisfactory to the agency of the making of eligible loans 106 or the application of the proceeds from the purchase of eligible 107 loans in accordance with commitments with the agency for the 108 origination of eligible loans by the loan originator, as may be 109 appropriate and in connection therewith may, through its employees 110 or agents, inspect the books and records of the loan originator.

g. The agency may require as a condition of any purchase of 112 eligible loans from loan originators representations and warranties 113 it determines to be necessary in connection with that purchase and 114 to carry out the purposes of this act.

h. Compliance by any loan originator with the terms of its agreement with or undertaking to the agency with respect to the making
of any eligible loans may be enforced by decree of the Superior
Court. The agency may require as a condition of purchase of eligible loans from any loan originator the consent of the loan originator to the jurisdiction of the Superior Court of any such proteeding. The agency may, also require agreement by any loan
ceeding. The agency may, also require agreement by any loan
from the loan originator, to the payment of penalties to the agency
the for violation by the loan originator of its undertakings to the
agency, and these penalties shall be recoverable at the suit of the
agency.

i. Whenever any eligible loan purchased by the agency is to be 128 held or serviced by a person other than the agency, a statement 129 designating the eligible loan being so held or serviced and the per-130 son so holding or servicing the eligible loan and setting forth the 131 agency's interest in the eligible loan may be filed in the records of 132 the agency, which loan records shall be available for public in-133 spection during regular business hours of the agency, and no 134 possession, further filing, or other action under Title 12A, Com-135 mercial Transactions, of the New Jersey Statutes or any other law 136 of the State shall be required to perfect any security interest which 137 may be deemed to have been created in favor of the agency. The 138 servicer shall, in any case, be and be deemed to be the trustee of 139 an express trust for the benefit of the agency in all matters re-140 lating to any such eligible loan.

j. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 213.1 of P. L. 1948, 142 c. 67 (C. 17:9A-213.1) or any other provision of law to the contary, any loan originator may, in connection with the sale of eligi-

144 ble loans to the agency pursuant to this act, enter into arrange145 ments or agreements with the agency as are authorized under and
146 contemplated by this act, including, without limitation, provisions
147 requiring the repurchase of eligible loans or participation therein
148 by the loan originator at the option of the agency, provisions re149 quiring the payment of premiums, fees or charges or other amounts
150 by the loan originator to provide a reserve or escrow for the pur151 poses, among others, of protecting against defaults with respect
152 to eligible loans, and provisions for the guarantee by, or for re153 course against, the loan originator with respect to defaults on
154 eligible loans of the agency.

1 13. a. In order to encourage the construction, acquisition and 2 rendering of life safety improvements at or to boarding houses, 3 the agency is hereby authorized to finance by life safety improvement loans the construction, asquisition and rendering of life safety 5 improvements at or to boarding houses.

- b. To carry out the purposes of this section, the agency may accept from boarding house owners applications for life safety improvement loans and enter into agreements with boarding house owners with respect thereto. In considering applications for life safety improvement loans, the agency shall give consideration to:
 - (1) the degree of need for the life safety improvement at the boarding house with respect to which the application is made;
 - (2) factors affecting the tax-exempt status of interest on the bonds issued by the agency to raise the money necessary to make the life safety improvement loan, including the location and ownership of boarding houses with respect to which applications have been and are being made;
 - (3) the extent of the benefit which, in the agency's opinion, can be expected to be achieved from the life safety improvement intended to be financed with the life safety improvement loan for which the application is made, giving effect to, among other things, the cost of such life safety improvements;
 - (4) the applicant's ability to obtain alternate financing; and
 - (5) the extent of the applicant's compliance with the "Rooming and Boarding House Act of 1979," P. L. 1979, c. 496 (C. 55:13B-1 et seq.). This determination shall be accomplished through an inspection of the boarding house by either the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs or the New Jersey Department of Health. Deficiencies which are to be corrected through life safety improvement loans are not to be used as a basis for disapproving a loan under this section.

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- c. Life safety improvement loans made by the agency shall not be subject to the terms and conditions set forth in sections 6 through 10 of this act but shall be subject to the following terms and conditions:
 - (1) the amount of the loan shall not exceed 100% of the cost of the life safety improvement to be constructed, acquired or rendered, as determined by the agency.
 - (2) the interest rate on the loan shall be established by the agency at the lowest level consistent with the agency's cost of operation but not lower than the effective cost of the agency of the obligations of the agency sold to raise the money used to make the loan.
 - (3) the loan shall be evidenced by a promissory note which shall contain terms and provisions and be in a form approved by the agency, and the terms and provisions shall include, but not be limited to, agency requirements that: (a) the boarding house owner remit to the agency the entire unpaid balance of all life safety improvement loans made by the agency to the boarding house owner as of the time when the facility ceases to be a boarding house*, and the money shall be used for making new boarding house life safety improvement loans or any other lawful purpose*; (b) the boarding house owner remit to the agency, for payment to the Department of Community Affairs for deposit in the "Boarding House Rental Assistance Fund," established under section 14 of this act, an amount equal to the rental assistance payments made to or on behalf of the residents of a boarding house, pursuant to this section, prior to the point in time when the facility ceases to be a boarding house, but the inclusion of this second requirement in the promissory note and the remittance of that amount shall be required if and to the extent that the agency determines it to be feasible and practicable; and (c) in the event of any sale which occurs during the period when the life safety improvement loan is being repaid to a purchaser who will maintain the facility as a boarding house, the boarding house owner shall either remit the entire unpaid balance of all life safety improvement loans made by the agency to the boarding house owner or require the purchaser to assume the loan.
 - (4) as a condition of the loan, the agency shall have the power at all times during the construction, acquisition or rendering of a life safety improvement at or to a boarding house and for a reasonable period of time subsequent thereto to enter without prior notice the boarding house with respect

to which the loan is made in order to inspect the construction, acquisition or rendering of the life safety improvement being financed with the loan.

1 14. There is hereby established in the Department of Community 2 Affairs a fund to be known as the "Boarding House Rental Assistance Fund." The fund shall be under the control of the Commis-3 4 sioner of the Department of Community Affairs. The fund shall 5 be maintained by the Department of the Treasury and may be 6 invested by the Division of Investment in the Department of the Treasury in investments in which other State funds may be in-7vested. There shall be deposited in the fund all moneys appropri-8 9 ated thereto by the Legislature and any other moneys made available for the purposes for which the fund is established. The fund 10 11 is established for the purposes of (i) providing rental assistance to residents of boarding houses in need of assistance to meet the 12rental payments at the boarding houses in which they reside neces-13 14sitated by the construction, acquisition or rendering of life safety improvements at or to the boarding houses with the proceeds of the 15 life safety improvement loans made by the agency, *[to provide]* 16 *(ii) providing* a source of repayment for such life safety im-17 provement loans and, *(iii)* subject to the approval of the trea-18 surer, * to pay * * paying* the cost to the Department of Com-19 munity Affairs of discharging its obligations under sections 13 20through 17 of this act. If needed to meet on a timely basis that 2121A part of the rental obligations of residents of boarding houses attributable to debt service (including fees and charges payable 22to the agency) on life safety improvement loans made by the agency 23to finance the construction, acquisition or rendering of life safety 24improvements at said boarding houses, the commissioner shall dis-25burse from the fund to or on behalf of the residents of the boarding 2627 houses the amount of money which, together with amounts already 28disbursed and to be disbursed, will be sufficient to meet on a timely 29 basis that part of the rental obligations of the residents of the 30 boarding houses. *If for any reason rental assistance payments made on behalf of residents are not sufficient to meet the debt ser-31 32vice payments on the life safety improvement loans, then the commissioner shall disburse from the fund such amounts as are neces-33 sary to meet the debt service payments; or, upon the request of the 34agency, the commissioner shall disburse such amounts as are neces-35sary to fully pay the life safety improvement loan and all related 36 37 costs.*

1 15. In furtherance of the purposes of sections 13 through 17 of 2 this act, the Commissioner of the Department of Community Af-

3 fairs is authorized to enter into rental assistance agreements with boarding house owners providing for the payment of rental assistance to or on behalf of the residents of the boarding houses in 5 respect of that part of their rent that is attributable to debt service 6 on life safety improvement loans, as determined by the agency. 7 8 Rental assistance agreements may permit or require the commis-9 sioner to make (i) rental assistance payments on behalf of board-10 ing house residents directly to the agency or *[upon its order]* *(ii) direct payments to the agency* in satisfaction of the boarding 11 12 house owners' payment obligations on life safety improvement 13 loans. As a condition to the payment of rental assistance, rental assistance agreements shall require that the boarding house owner 14 remit to the commissioner for return to the *[fund in the Depart-15 ment of the Treasury from which the appropriation for the rental 16 assistance payment was originally made an *Boarding House 17 Rental Assistance Fund an* amount equal to any rental assistance 18 payment made by the commissioner to or on behalf of a resident 19 of the boarding house who, were such resident a family as defined 20 in subsection f. of section 3 of this act, would not have constituted 2122 a family qualified for admission to housing projects under section 238 of this act, at any time during the period covered by the rental 24assistance payment but the agency may establish a lower income standard for residents of boarding houses which would require 25 remittance to the commissioner by the owners of boarding houses 26of rental assistance payments formerly made by the commissioner 2728 to or on behalf of residents with incomes above that income 29 standard. 16. On or before December 1 of each year, the Commissioner of 1 the Department of Community Affairs shall submit to the Governor 23 and the State Treasurer a Boarding House Rental Assistance Fund Annual Report which shall include the following: *(i)* a summary of the activities and transactions of the Boarding House Rental As-5 sistance Fund during the preceding fiscal year; *(ii)* an estimate of 6 the amount of rental charges which will be made during the ensuing 7 12 months by the residents of boarding houses on account of the 8 debt service (including fees and charges payable to the agency) 9 on life safety improvement loans made by the agency to finance 10 the construction, acquisition or rendering of life safety improve-11 ments at or to the boarding houses, together with a brief descrip-12 tion of each of the boarding houses, life safety improvement loans 13 and life safety improvements and a summary of various charac-14 teristics of the residents of the boarding houses, including their 15 ages, disabilities, if any, and income levels; *(iii)* a statement as to

17 the maximum amount of debt service payable in any one year on all 18 outstanding obligations of the agency issued with respect to life 19 safety improvement loans; and *(iv)* an estimate of, and request 20for, the amount of money in addition to the then current balance of 21 the Boarding House Rental Assistance Fund which will be needed in the ensuing fiscal year to meet the disbursements from the fund 2223which the commissioner anticipates will be made in furtherance 24of the purposes of the fund and in satisfaction of the commissioner's 25obligations under rental assistance agreements.

1 17. a. To assure that there exists sufficient money in the Board- 2 ing House Rental Assistance Fund so as to permit the fund to be 3 fully employed in furtherance of its purposes and to enable the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs to fulfill 4 his commitments under rental assistance agreements, there shall 5 6 be appropriated in each fiscal year and paid to the Department of 7 Community Affairs for deposit in the Boarding House Rental 8 Assistance Fund (1) from the Casino Revenue Fund, the amount 9 of money requested for that fiscal year by the commissioner in 10 the applicable Boarding House Rental Assistance Fund Annual Report, as amended by the commissioner from time to time, for the 11 12benefit of boarding house residents who are either senior citizens 13 or disabled residents of the State within the meaning of regulations 14 promulgated by the commissioner; and (2) from the General Fund *of the State of New Jersey*, the amount of money requested 15 16 for that fiscal year by the commissioner in the applicable Boarding House Assistance Fund Annual Report, as amended by the com-17missioner from time to time, for the benefit of boarding house 18 residents who are neither senior citizens nor disabled residents of 19 20the State within the meaning of regulations promulgated by the 20A commissioner *either as rental assistance payments or direct debt 20B service on loans*.

b. After receipt of each Boarding House Rental Assistance Fund 2122Annual Report, the State Treasurer shall determine whether or not 23during the preceding fiscal year rental assistance payments were made with funds appropriated from the Casino Revenue Fund to 24or on behalf of residents of boarding houses who, were they 25families as defined in subsection f. of section 3 of this act, would 26have constituted families qualified for admission to housing projects 27under section 8 of this act during such fiscal year, but who were not 28either senior citizens or disabled residents of the State within the 29meaning of regulations promulgated by the commissioner. Upon 30 making a determination that funds were appropriated from the 3132 Casino Revenue Fund to or on behalf of one or more of such

- 33 residents, the Treasurer shall request and the State shall appro-
- 34 priate from the General Fund to the Casino Revenue Fund an
- 35 amount of money equal to payments so made from funds appro-
- 36 priated from the Casino Revenue Fund; but neither the request
- 37 nor the appropriation shall be required if, or to the extent that,
- 38 the amount of payments is reimbursed from any other available
- 39 source, which may be, but shall not be limited to, a payment from
- 40 unencumbered funds of the agency, as authorized by the agency.
- 41 c. If the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs
- 42 is for any reason unable to make rental assistance payments on one
- 43 or more rental assistance agreements, the agency may, but shall be
- 44 under no obligation to, authorize payments from its unencumbered
- 45 reserves. If no such authorization is made, *or if the agency's pay-
- 46 ment is only intended to be a temporary source of funding in order
- 47 to satisfy payments due on bonds issued to finance life safety im-
- 48 provement loans,* or the amount authorized is insufficient to make
- 49 full payments under the agreements, there shall be appropriated
- 50 from the General Fund in each fiscal year and paid to the Depart-
- 51 ment of Community Affairs, for disbursement to the agency, suf-
- 52 ficient funds to make full payments. The commissioner shall an-
- 53 nually report to the Governor and the Treasurer detailing the need
- 54 for the appropriations.
- *18. a. In order to carry out the purposes and provisions of this
- 2 act, the agency, in addition to any powers granted to it elsewhere
- 3 in this act, shall have the authority to form, purchase or assume
- 4 control of one or more subsidiary corporations, in the manner and
- 5 for the purposes set forth in this section.
- 6 b. The agency may form a subsidiary corporation by filing
- 7 with the Secretary of State a certificate of incorporation, which
- 8 may be amended from time to time and which shall set forth the
- 9 name of the subsidiary corporation, its duration, the location of its
- 10 principal office, the joint owners thereof, and the purposes of the
- 11 corporation.
- 12 c. The directors of the subsidiary corporation shall be members
- 13 or employees of the agency, who shall constitute at least a majority,
- 14 and such other persons representing any joint owner or owners as
- 15 may be provided for in the agreement in connection with the in-
- 16 corporation.
- 17 d. The subsidiary corporation shall have all the powers vested
- 18 in the agency which the agency may delegate to it by terms of the
- 19 agreement of incorporation, except that it shall not have power
- 20 to contract indebtedness independently of the agency. The sub-

- 21 sidiary corporation and any of its properties, functions and activi-
- 22 ties shall have all the privileges, immunities, tax exemptions and
- 23 other exemptions as the agency's property, functions and activities.
- 24 The subsidiary corporation shall also be subject to the restrictions
- 25 and limitations to which the agency is subject. The subsidiary corpo-
- 26 ration shall be subject to suit as if it were the agency itself.
- 27 e. Whenever the State or any municipality, commission, public
- 28 authority, agency, officer, department, board, or division is au-
- 29 thorized and empowered for any purposes of this act to cooperate
- 30 and enter into agreements with the agency or to grant any consent
- 31 to the agency or to grant, convey, lease or otherwise transfer any
- 32 property to the agency or to execute any document, the State or
- 33 such municipality, commission, public authority, agency, officer,
- 34 department, board, or division shall have the same authorization
- 35 and power for any of such purposes to cooperate and enter into
- 36 agreements with the subsidiary corporation and to grant consents
- 37 to the subsidiary corporation and to grant, convey, lease or other-
- 38 wise transfer property to the subsidiary corporation and to execute
- 39 documents for the subsidiary corporation.
- 40 f. Among the powers that shall be granted to a subsidiary corpo-
- 41 ration established by agency, or which may be exercised by the
- 42 agency itself, are:
- 43 (1) To act as receiver or interim owner of rental properties and
- 44 in connection therewith to provide tenant education and training,
- 45 with the goal of achieving cooperative or other private forms of
- 46 resident ownership.
- 47 (2) To act as a housing service corporation to operate or com-
- 48 plete the construction of agency-financed properties.
- 49 (3) To undertake acquisition, construction, rehabilitation and
- 50 operation of housing and related activities on a demonstration or
- 51 experimental basis.
- 52 (4) To participate as a coowner or coventurer in any activity
- 53 financed by an eligible loan from the agency.
- 54 g. The agency shall not later than January 1, 1984 establish at
- 55 least one subsidiary corporation pursuant to this section, unless
- 56 the agency shall, by resolution setting forth the reasons for its
- 57 decision, determine that such establishment would be inexpedient;
- 58 which resolution shall be forthwith communicated to the Governor
- 59 and the Legislature.
- 1 19. a. In order to carry out the purposes and provisions of this
- 2 act, there is hereby chartered in, but not of, the agency the New
- 3 Jersey Housing Development Corporation, which shall be a general

- 4 stock ownership corporation within the meaning of Subchapter U.
- 5 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.
- 6 b. The corporation shall be organized, managed and operated as
- 7 an entity distinct from the agency, except that members and em-
- 8 ployees of the agency may be officers and directors of the corpora-
- 9 tion; but it shall be empowered to act as agent of the agency under
- 10 contractual agreements relating to matters set forth in subsection
- 11 c. of this section.
- 12 c. The corporation may issue its stock and employ the proceeds
- 13 of such sales:
- 14 (1) To purchase residential structures in need of rehabilitation
- 15 and rehabilitate them for purposes of resale, including resale under
- 16 lease-purchase agreements.
- 17 (2) To contract for the construction of new residential struc-
- 18 tures and to assume ownership of the same for the purposes of
- 19 resale, including lease-purchase agreements.
- 20 (3) To coventure with other public or private agencies or corpo-
- 21 rations as an investor in major rehabilitation or construction proj-
- 22 ects of the types described in paragraphs (1) and (2) of this sub-
- 23 section.
- 24 d. The agency is directed to complete the organization of the
- 25 corporation before January 1, 1984, unless the members of the
- 26 agency vote not to so organize and so advise the Governor and the
- 27 Legislature.*
- 1 *[18.]* *20.* a. The agency shall have the power and is hereby
- 2 authorized from time to time to issue its bonds in such principal
- 3 amounts as in the opinion of the agency shall be necessary to pro-
- 4 vide sufficient funds for achieving any of its corporate purposes,
- 5 including the making or purchase of eligible loans, the making of
- 6 loans to institutional lenders, the payment, funding or refunding of
- 7 the principal of, or interest or redemption premiums on, any bonds
- 8 issued by it, whether the bonds or interest to be funded or refunded
- 9 have or have not become due, the establishment or increase of re-
- 10 serves to secure or to pay such bonds or interest thereon or to pro-
- 11 vide, insure or otherwise protect against defaults on or prepayment
- 12 of eligible loans, and all other costs or expenses of the agency inci-
- 13 dent to and necessary or convenient to carry out its corporate pur-
- 14 poses and powers; but the agency's power to issue its bonds in order
- 15 (1) to make life safety improvement loans, (2) to fund reserves
- 16 for these bonds (excluding therefrom for purposes of this calcula-
- 17 tion such bonds that have been refunded), and (3) to refund bonds
- 18 originally issued to make life safety improvement loans and to fund
- 19 reserves for these bonds is limited to the extent that the amount of

debt service payable in any one year on all these bonds then 20 outstanding may not exceed \$4,000,000.00. 21

22 b. Except as may be otherwise expressly provided herein or by 23the agency, every issue of bonds shall be general obligations 24payable out of any moneys or revenues of the agency, subject only 25to any agreements with the holders of particular bonds pledging any particular moneys or revenues. The agency may issue such 26types of bonds as it may determine, including but not limited to 27bonds on which the principal and interest are payable (1) exclu-2829sively from the income and revenues of certain designated projects whether or not they are financed in whole or in part with the 3031 proceeds of such bonds; (2) exclusively from the revenues of the 32agency derived from certain loans made to institutional lenders or 33 derived from certain eligible loans made or purchased by the agency whether or not such loans were made or such eligible loans 34were purchased in whole or in part from the proceeds of such bonds; 3536 or (3) from its revenues generally. Bonds may be additionally secured by a pledge of any grant or contribution from any depart-37 ment, agency or instrumentality of the United States or of the 38 State or from any person, firm or corporation or a pledge of any 39 moneys, income or revenues of the agency from any source what-40 soever. 41

c. Any provision of any law to the contrary notwithstanding, any 42bonds issued pursuant to this act shall be fully negotiable within 43 the meaning and for all purposes of Title 12A of the New Jersey 44Statutes, and each holder or owner of such a bond, or of any coupon 45appurtenant thereto, by accepting the bond or coupon shall be 46conclusively deemed to have agreed that the bond or coupon is and 47 shall be fully negotiable within the meaning and for all purposes 48of Title 12A of the New Jersey Statutes. 49

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d. Bonds of the agency shall be authorized by or in accordance with a resolution of the agency and may be issued in one or more series and shall bear such date or dates, mature at such time or times not exceeding 50 years from the date thereof, bear interest at such rate or rates or bear interest at such variable or formula rate or rates not to exceed such maximum rate or rates, be in such denomination or denominations, be in such form, either coupon or registered, carry such conversion or registration privileges, have such rank or priority, be executed in such manner, be payable from 58 such sources in such medium of payment at such place or places 59within or without the State, and be subject to such terms of redemp-60tion (with or without premium) as such resolution or resolutions may provide.

e. Bonds of the agency may be sold at public or private sale at the price or prices as the agency determines.

f. Bonds may be issued under the provisions of this act without obtaining the consent of any department, division, commission, board, bureau or agency of the State, and without any other proceeding or the happening of any other conditions or other things than those proceedings, conditions or things which are specifically required by this act.

71g. Bonds of the agency issued under the provisions of this act 72shall not be in any way a debt or liability of the State or of any 73 political subdivision thereof other than the agency and shall not 74 create or constitute any indebtedness, liability or obligation of the State or of any such political subdivision or be or constitute a 75pledge of the faith and credit of the State or of any such political 76 subdivision but all such bonds, unless funded or refunded by bonds, 77shall be payable solely from revenues or funds pledged or available 78for their payment as authorized in this act. Each bond shall 79 contain on its face a statement to the effect that the agency is 80 obligated to pay the principal thereof or the interest thereon only 82 from revenues or funds of the agency and that neither the State nor any political subdivision thereof is obligated to pay such 83 principal or interest and that neither the faith and credit nor the 84 taxing power of the State or any political subdivision thereof is 85 86 pledged to the payment of the principal of or the interest on such 87 bonds.

h. All expenses incurred in carrying out the provisions of this act shall be payable solely from revenues or funds provided or to be provided under the provisions of this act and nothing in this act shall be construed to authorize the agency to incur any indebtedness or liability on behalf of or payable by the State or any political subdivision thereof.

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*[19.] *21.* Any resolution or resolutions of the agency authorizing the issuance of bonds may contain provisions, except as expressly limited in this act and except as otherwise limited by existing agreements with the holders of the bonds, which shall be a part of the contract with the holders thereof, as to the following:

a. The pledging of or creating of a lien on, as security for the payment of the principal and redemption price of and interest on any bonds of the agency, all or any part of its revenues or assets to which its right then exists or may thereafter come into existence, and the moneys derived therefrom*,* including the eligible loans made or purchased by the agency pursuant to this act and the revenues therefrom, the loans made to institutional lenders pur-

- 13 suant to this act and the revenues therefrom and the rights and
- 14 interests of the agency in and to any collateral securing such loans
- 15 and the collections and proceeds therefrom, the eligible loans pur-
- 16 chased by the agency pursuant to this act and all payments on
- 17 account of principal and interest with respect thereto, and all
- 18 other premiums, fees and charges payable to the agency, all or any
- 19 part of any money, funds or property held in trust or otherwise by
- 20 others for the payment of any such mortgages, such loans to insti-
- 21 tutional lenders or such eligible loans, or any bonds of the agency,
- 22 and all or any part of the proceeds of any bonds, and covenanting
- 23 against pledging all or any part of such revenues, assets, moneys,
- 24 funds or property, or against permitting or suffering any lien
- 25 thereon;
- 26 b. Otherwise providing for the custody, collection, securing,
- 27 investment and payment of any revenues, assets, moneys, funds or
- 28 property of the agency or with respect to which the agency may
- 29 have any rights or interest;
- 30 c. The use and disposition of any and all payments of principal or
- 31 interest received by the agency with respect to loans to institu-
- 32 tional lenders or eligible loans or any income or proceeds from
- 33 *[investment]* *investments* held by the agency or other income,
- 34 revenues or receipts of the agency;
- 35 d. The establishment of reserves or sinking funds, the making of
- 36 charges and fees to provide for the same, and the regulation and
- 37 disposition thereof;
- 38 e. The custody, application and disposition of the proceeds of
- 39 any bonds;
- 40 f. The rank or priority of any such bonds with respect to any
- 41 lien or security or as to the acceleration of the maturity of any
- 42 such bonds;
- 43 g. The creation of special funds or moneys to be held in trust or
- 44 otherwise for operating expenses, payment or redemption of bonds,
- 45 reserves against defaults or prepayments of eligible loans or loans
- 46 to institutional lenders or for other purposes and as to the use and
- 47 disposition of the moneys held in such funds;
- 48 h. Limitations on the purpose to which the proceeds of sale of
- 49 bonds may be applied and pledging such proceeds to secure the
- 50 payment of the bonds;
- 51 i. Limitations on the issuance of additional bonds; the terms
- 52 upon which additional bonds may be issued and secured; the re-
- 53 funding or purchase of outstanding bonds of the agency;
- 54 j. The procedure, if any, by which the terms of any contract with
- 55 the holders of any bonds of the agency may be amended or abro-

56 gated, the amount of bonds the holders of which must consent 57 thereto, and the manner in which such consent may be given;

58 k. The vesting in a trustee or trustees within or without the State 59 of such property, rights, powers and duties in trust as the agency may determine, which may include any or all of the rights, powers 60 and duties of any trustee appointed by the holders of any bonds 61 pursuant to section 20 of this act and limiting or abrogating the 6263 right of the holders of any bonds of the agency to appoint a trustee under this act or limiting the rights, powers and duties of such 64 65 trustee;

1. Appointing and providing for the duties and obligations of a paying agent or paying agents or such other fiduciaries within or without the State;

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m. Provision for a trust agreement by and between the agency and a corporate trustee which may be any trust company or bank having the powers of a trust company within the State, which agreement may provide for the pledging or assigning of any assets or income from assets to which or in which the agency has any rights or interest, and may further provide for such other rights and remedies exercisable by the trustee as may be proper for the protection of the holders of any bonds of the agency and not otherwise in violation of law, and the agreement may provide for the restriction of the rights of any individual holder of bonds of the agency. All expenses incurred in carrying out the provisions of the trust agreement may be treated as a part of the costs of operation of the agency. The trust agreement may contain any further provisions which are reasonable to delineate further the respective rights, duties, safeguards, responsibilities and liabilities of the agency, individual and collective holders of bonds of the agency, and the trustee;

n. The custody of any of its properties or investments, the safekeeping thereof, the insurance to be carried thereon, and the use and disposition of insurance moneys;

o. The time or manner of enforcement or restraint from enforcement of any rights of the agency arising by reason of or with respect to nonpayment of principal or interest with respect to mortgages or loans to institutional lenders or any rights to or security interest in the collateral securing such loans or arising with respect to the default with respect to any eligible loan;

p. Defining the acts or omissions to act which shall constitute a default in the obligations and duties of the agency and providing for the rights and remedies of the holders of bonds in the event of such default;

q. Covenants to do or refrain from doing such acts and things 100 as may be necessary or convenient or desirable to better secure 101 any bonds of the agency, or which, in the discretion of the agency, 102 will tend to make any bonds to be issued more marketable notwith-103 standing that such covenants, act or things may not be enumerated 104 herein; and

105 r. Any other matters of the like or different character, which in 106 any way affect the security or protection of the bonds issued by the 107 agency.

1 *[20.] * *22. * a. If the agency defaults in the payment of principal $\mathbf{2}$ of or interest on any issue of bonds after the same becomes due, 3 whether at maturity or upon call for redemption, and the default 4 continues for a period of 30 days, or if the agency fails or refuses to 5 comply with the provisions of this act or fails or refuses to carry 6 out and perform the terms of any contract with the holders of bonds and the failure or refusal continues for a period of 30 days after written notice to the agency of its existence and nature, the holders 8 of 25% in aggregate principal amount of such issue of bonds then 9 outstanding by instrument or instruments filed in the office of the 10 Secretary of State and proved or acknowledged in the same manner 11 as a deed to be recorded, may appoint a trustee to represent the 12holders of those bonds for the purposes provided in this section. 13

b. The trustee may, and upon written request of the holders of 25% in aggregate principal amount of such bonds then outstanding shall, in the trustee's own name:

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- (1) by any action, writ, or other proceeding, enforce all rights of the holders of such bonds, including the right to collect and enforce the payment of principal of and interest due or becoming due on eligible loans and loans to institutional lenders and collect and enforce any collateral securing such loans or sell such collateral and the right to cause the fore-closure of any eligible mortgage loan, and to sell any property purchased at any such foreclosure, so as to carry out any contract as to, or pledge of, revenues, and to require the agency to carry out and perform the terms of any contract with the holders of such bonds or its duties under this act;
 - (2) bring suit upon all or any part of such bonds;
- (3) by action, require the agency to account as if it were the trustee of an express trust for the holders of such bonds;
- (4) by action, enjoin any acts or things which may be unlawful or in violation of the rights of the holders of such bonds; or
- (5) declare all such bonds due and payable, whether or not in

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4950 advance of maturity, upon 30 days' prior notice in writing to the agency, and, if all defaults shall be made good, then with the consent of the holders of 25% of the principal amount of such bonds then outstanding, annul such declaration and its consequences.

c. The trustee shall, in addition to the foregoing, have and possess all of the powers necessary or appropriate for the exercise of the functions specifically set forth herein or incident to the general representation of the holders of bonds in the enforcement and protection of their rights.

d. In any action or proceeding by such trustee, the fees, counsel 4546fees and expenses of the trustee, if any, appointed pursuant to this act, shall constitute taxable costs and disbursements, and all costs 47and disbursements, allowed by the court, shall be a first charge 48 upon any revenues, moneys, funds or property of the agency pledged for the payment or security of such issue of bonds.

1 *[21.]* *23.* Any pledge made by the agency of income, revenues or other property shall be valid and binding from the time the pledge is made. The income, revenue or other property so pledged 3 by the agency shall immediately be subject to the lien of the pledge without any physical delivery thereof or further act, and the lien of any pledge shall be valid and binding as against all parties having claims of any kind in tort, contract or otherwise against the agency, 7 irrespective of whether such parties have notice thereof. Neither 9 the resolution nor any other instrument by which a pledge is created need be filed or recorded except in the records of the 10 11 agency.

[22.] *24.* For purposes of subsection (g) of Section 103A of 1 2 the federal Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, the State ceiling on the aggregate amount of qualified mortgage bonds which 3 may be issued in the State shall be allocated 100% to the agency. 4 *[23.]* *25.* At least **[20% of the funds made available for 1 loans to mortgage lenders pursuant to subsection (g) of Section 103A of the federal Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, 3 shall be used for new residential mortgages ** ** 25% of the funds made available by the agency for the acquisition, operation, construction, rehabilitation, conversion, improvement or ownership of 6 residential properties of from one to four, or from five to 12, 7 dwelling units shall be reserved for use** in municipalities which 8 qualify for State aid under P. L. 1978, c. 14 (C. 52:27D-178 et seq.). **The period of reservation shall be established by the agency at 10 11 its discretion, but shall not be less than four months. The period 12 may be extended at the agency's discretion, with or without adjust-

13 ing the amount of funds so reserved.**

1 *[24.]* *26.* The agency may consent, at or prior to the time of 2 issuance of any issue of its bonds, to the inclusion of interest on 3 such bonds in the gross income of holders of such bonds under the federal Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or any subse-4 quent federal law, to the same extent and in the same manner as the 5 interest on bills, notes, bonds and other obligations of the United 6 States is includible in the gross income of the holders thereof 7 under the federal Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or 8 any subsequent federal law. Nothing contained in this act shall be 9 construed to waive or to authorize the agency to waive any other 10 exemption, privilege or immunity of the State or to consent or to 11 authorize the agency to consent to the application of any other 12 provision of any other laws, federal or State, to the agency or to 13 its bonds, which would not otherwise be so applicable. 14

[25.] *27.* Neither the members of the agency nor any person executing bonds issued pursuant to this act shall be liable personally on such bonds by reason of the issuance thereof.

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[26.] *28.* The agency shall have power to purchase bonds of the agency out of any funds available therefor. The agency may hold, cancel or resell such bonds subject to and in accordance with agreements with holders of its bonds.

*[27.] * *29.* a. The agency may create and establish one or more 1 special funds to be known as housing finance funds and may pay into 2 such housing finance funds any moneys appropriated and made 3 available by the State for the purposes of such funds, any proceeds 4 of the sale of the bonds to the extent provided in the resolution of 5 the agency authorizing the issuance thereof, the moneys directed 6 to be transferred by the agency to such funds, and any other 7 moneys which may be made available to the agency for the pur-8 poses of such funds from any other source or sources. The moneys 9 held in or credited to any housing finance fund established under 10 this act, except as hereinafter provided, shall be used solely for 11 the payment of the principal of and interest on bonds of the agency 12 secured by such housing finance fund, as the same mature, required 13 payments to any sinking fund established for the amortization 14 of such bonds (hereinafter referred to as "sinking fund pay-15 ments"), the purchase or redemption of such bonds of the agency 16 or the payment of any redemption premium to be paid when such 17 bonds are redeemed prior to maturity; but moneys in any such 18 fund shall not be withdrawn therefrom at any time in such amount 19 as would reduce the amount of such fund to less than the amount 20 of principal (including sinking fund payments) and interest matur-21ing and becoming due in the succeeding calendar year on the bonds

of the agency then outstanding and secured by such housing finance 23 fund (such amount being hereafter referred to as the "required 24minimum capital reserve"), except for the purpose of paying 25 26principal and interest on the bonds of the agency secured by such housing finance fund maturing and becoming due and sinking funds 27 payments for the payment of which other moneys of the agency 2829 are not available. Any income or interest earned by, or increment 30 to, any such housing finance fund due to the investment thereof 31 may be transferred to any other fund or account of the agency to 32 the extent it does not reduce the amount of such housing finance fund below the required minimum capital reserve. In computing 33 the amount of any housing finance fund for the purposes of this 34 section, securities in which all or a portion of such housing finance 35 fund are invested shall be valued at part if purchased at par or, 36 if purchased at other than par, at amortized cost. 37

38 b. The agency shall not issue bonds secured by a housing finance fund at any time if the maximum amount of principal (including 39 sinking fund payments) and interest maturing and becoming due 40 in the succeeding calendar year on the bonds outstanding then to 41 42 be issued and secured by a housing finance fund will exceed the amount of such housing finance fund at the time of issuance, unless 43 the agency, at the time of issuance of such bonds, shall deposit in 44 such housing finance fund from the proceeds of the bonds or other 45obligations so to be issued, or otherwise, an amount which together 46 with the amount then in such housing finance fund, will be not less 47 than the required minimum capital reserve. 48

c. The Housing Finance Fund established under the agency's existing General Housing Bond Resolution shall continue as a housing finance fund pursuant to the provisions of subsection a. of this section.

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d. To assure the maintenance of the required minimum capital reserve in the housing finance funds, there shall be annually appropriated and paid to the agency for deposit in each of such funds, such sum, if any, as shall be certified by the chairman of the agency to the Governor as necessary to restore each of such funds to an amount equal to the required minimum capital reserve. The chairman shall annually, on or before December 1, make and deliver to the Governor his certificate stating the sum, if any, required to restore each of such funds to the amount aforesaid, and the sum or sums so certified shall be appropriated and paid to the agency during the then current State fiscal year.

[28.] *30.* a. The agency shall establish and maintain a Housing Development Fund which shall consist of all moneys appropriated by the State for inclusion therein, notwithstanding any incon-

4 sistent provisions of this or of any other law, any moneys which the

agency shall receive in repayment of advances from the fund, and

any other moneys available to the agency which it determines to 6

utilize for this purpose.

8 b. The agency is hereby authorized to use the money held in the

Housing Development Fund to make noninterest bearing advances 9

10 to housing sponsors who are corporations or associations orga-

nized not for profit or for mutual housing to defray development 11

costs for housing projects. No such advance shall be made unless 12

13 it is reasonably anticipated by the agency that an eligible mortgage

loan will be obtained for the housing project and the not for profit 14

or mutual housing sponsor enters into an agreement with the 15

agency to be regulated with respect to those matters provided in 16

17 paragraph (5) and (6) of subsection a. of section 7 of this act.

c. Each advance shall be repaid in full concurrent with the receipt by the not for profit or mutual housing sponsor of the proceeds of the eligible mortgage loan, unless the agency shall extend the period for the repayment of such advance, but no such extension shall be granted beyond the date of final payment under the eligible

mortgage loan. 24d. If the agency determines at any time that an eligible mortgage loan may not be obtained from the agency, the advance shall be-25

come immediately due and payable and shall be paid from any

assets of the housing project. To the extent that repayment cannot 27

be made from the assets of the housing project, the advance shall

be treated as a grant. 29

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e. The term "development cost", as used in this section, means the amount approved by the agency as an appropriate expenditure which may be incurred prior to the first advance on an eligible mortgage loan, including but not limited to (1) payments for options, deposits or contracts to purchase properties on the proposed housing project site or, with the prior approval of the agency, payments for the purchase of such properties; (2) legal and organizational expenses, including attorney's fees and salaries, office rent and other incidental expenses for a project manager and clerical staff; (3) fees for preliminary feasibility studies, planning advances, borings, surveys, engineering and architectural work; (4) expenses for tenant surveys and market analyses; and (5) such other expenses as the agency may deem appropriate to effectuate the purpose of this section.

f. The term "eligible mortgage loan", as used in this section, 44 means a below-market interest rate mortgage loan insured by the

Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, 46

or a mortgage loan insured by the Secretary of the Department 47

of Housing and Urban Development and augmented by a program 48

of rent supplements, or an eligible loan made by the agency. 49

[29.] *31.* a. The agency shall establish and maintain a fund 1. 2 called the "General Fund" which shall consist of all moneys of the 3 agency not required to be deposited in any other fund of the agency, which the agency may deposit therein. To the extent available, 4 after paying all the operating costs of the agency, the moneys reõ maining in the General Fund may be used for the payment of the 6 7 principal of and interest on the bonds issued by the agency or for such other corporate purposes of the agency as this act authorizes. 8

b. The agency may establish such additional and further funds as may be necessary and desirable to accomplish any agency purpose 10 or to comply with the provisions of any agreement made by the 11 12 agency or any resolution approved by the agency. The resolution establishing such a fund shall specify the source of moneys from 13 which it shall be funded and the purposes for which moneys held 14 in the fund shall be disbursed. 15

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** 30.1* *32.* The State of New Jersey does hereby pledge to and 1 2 covenant and agree with the holders of any bonds issued pursuant to the authority of this act that the State will not limit, restrict or 3 alter the rights or powers hereby vested in the agency to perform and fulfill the terms of any agreement made with the holders of such $\mathbf{5}$ bonds, or in any way impair the rights or remedies of such holders 6 until such bonds, together with interest thereon, with interest on 7 any unpaid installments of interest, and all costs and expenses in 8 connection with any action or proceedings by or in behalf of such 9 holders, are fully met, paid and discharged. The agency may 10 include this pledge and agreement of the State in any agreement 11 with the holders of bonds issued by the agency. 12

[31.] *33.* Notwithstanding any restriction contained in any 1 other law, all banks, trust companies, savings banks and institu-2 tions, building and loan associations, savings and loan associations, 3 investment companies, and other persons carrying on a banking or 4 investment business, all insurance companies, insurance associa-5 tions and other persons carrying on an insurance business, and all 6 executors, administrators, guardians, trustees and other fiduciaries, 7 may legally invest any sinking funds, moneys or other funds belong-8 ing to them or within their control in any bonds issued pursuant to 9 this act, and such bonds shall be authorized security for any and all 10 public deposits. 11

[32.] *34.* a. All property of the agency is hereby declared to

be public property devoted to an essential public and governmental

function and purpose and shall be exempt from all taxes and special

assessments of the State or any subdivision thereof. All bonds

issued pursuant to this act are hereby declared to be issued by a

6 body corporate and public of this State and for an essential public

7 and governmental purpose and such bonds, and the interest thereon

and the income therefrom, and all fees, charges, funds, revenues, 8

9 income and other moneys pledged or available to pay or secure

10 the payment of such bonds, or interest thereon, shall at all times

be exempt from taxation, except for transfer, inheritance and 11

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13 b. The sale to a housing sponsor of all materials and supplies to be used to construct, improve or rehabilitate a housing project 1415financed by a loan made by the agency to the housing sponsor shall 16be exempt from all sales taxes of the State or any subdivision 17 thereof.

1 *[33.]* *35.* All property of the agency, except as otherwise provided herein, shall be exempt from levy and sale by virtue of an 23 execution and no execution or other judicial process shall issue against the same nor shall any judgment against the agency be a 4 charge or lien upon its property; except that nothing herein con-5 tained shall apply to or limit the rights of the holder of any bonds to pursue any remedy for the enforcement of any pledge or lien given by the agency on its revenues or other moneys.

[34.] *36.* a. The agency may obtain, or aid in obtaining, 1 2 *from any department or agency of the United States or any other person* any insurance or guarantee as to, or of or for the payment 3 or repayment of interest or principal, or both, or any part thereof, 4 on any loan or any instrument evidencing or securing the same, 5 made or entered into pursuant to the provisions of this act; and 6 notwithstanding any other provisions of this act enter into any 7 agreement, contract or any other instrument whatsoever with re-8 spect to any such insurance or guarantee, and accept payment in 9 10 such manner and form as provided therein in the event of the default by the borrower. 1.1

b. The agency may obtain *from any department or agency of 12 the United States or any other person* any insurance or guarantee 13 as to, or of or for the payment or repayment of, interest or prin-1.4 cipal, or both, or any part thereof, on any bonds issued by the 15 agency pursuant to the provisions of this act; and notwithstanding 16 17 any other provisions of this act enter into any agreement, contract or any other instrument whatsoever with respect to any such in-18 surance or guarantee except to the extent that such action would

20 in any way impair or interfere with the agency's ability to perform

21 and fulfill the terms of any agreement made with the holders of

22 the bonds of the agency.

*[35.]**37.* a. It is the intent of the Legislature that in the event of any conflict or inconsistency in the provisions of this act and any other acts concerning housing spousors or any rules and regulations adopted thereunder, to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency, the provisions of this act shall be enforced and the provisions of such other acts and rules and regulations adopted thereunder shall be of no effect.

8 b. The governing body of any municipality in which a housing 9 project *[ordinance]* *financed* or to be financed by the agency is or is to be located may by ordinance or resolution, as appropriate, 10provide that such project shall be exempt from real property taxa-11 12tion; if the housing sponsor enters into an agreement with the municipality for payments to the municipality in lieu of taxes for 13 municipal services. Any such agreement may require the housing 14 sponsor to pay to the municipality an amount up to 20% of the an-15 nual gross revenue from each housing project situated on such real 16 property for each year of operation thereof following the substan-17 18 tial completion thereof. For the purpose of this section, "annual gross revenue" means the total annual gross rental or carrying 19 20 charge and other income of a housing sponsor from a housing proj-21ect. If any such agreement is entered into from the date of record-22 ing the mortgage on the project to the date of substantial comple-23tion of the project, the annual amount payable to the municipality 24 as taxes or as payments in lieu of taxes in respect of the project site shall not be in excess of the amount of taxes on the project site for 25the year preceding the recording of the mortgage. Any agreement 2627between any housing sponsor and a municipality pursuant to this subsection shall be submitted to the agency for review in order to 28 avoid duplpicating, overlapping or inconsistent regulations or pro-29 visions. Any exemption from taxation pursuant to the provisions 30 of this section shall not extend beyond the date on which the eligible 31. 31A loan made by the agency on the project is paid in full.

[c. As used in this section only, "municipality" means and in-32 cludes any city of any class, any town, township, village, borough, 33 or any municipal subdivision of the State; and "governing body" 34 means, in the case of a municipality, the common council, or the 35board of commissioners, or the body managing its affairs, except 36 that, in the case of cities of the second class having a population 37 of not less than 133,000 nor more than 200,000 inhabitants, "gov-38 erning body" means the board of finance of such city.] 39

- *[36.]* *38.* Any person who attempts to or obtains an eligible
- 2 loan hereunder or occupancy or continued occupancy of a dwelling
- 3 unit financed by an eligible loan by false or misleading information
- 4 or who violates this act or who by fraud attempts to obtain moneys
- 5 from the agency or its approval for the payment of moneys or
- 6 fraudulently attempts to or prevents the collection of any moneys
- 7 due to the agency is, for each offense, guilty of a crime of the third
- 8 degree.

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- 1 *[37.]* *39.* a. No member, officer or employee of the agency 2 shall have or attempt to have, for purposes of personal gain, di-
- 3 rectly or indirectly, any interest:
 - (1) In any contract or agreement of the agency;
 - (2) In the sale or purchase of any property by the agency;
- 6 (3) In any eligible loan, loan to institutional lender or application therefor;
 - (4) In any housing project constructed, improved, rehabilitated or operated, or to be constructed, improved, rehabilitated or operated under the provisions of this act; or
 - (5) In any boarding house at which or to which a life safety improvement is or is to be constructed, acquired or rendered with moneys provided by a life safety improvement loan from the agency;
- 14 but this section shall not be construed to prohibit a member, officer
- 15 or employee of the agency from being the borrower on a loan pur-
- 16 chased by the agency made to provide financing for a single family
- 17 dwelling which is the primary residence of the borrower*, and the
- 17A agency shall adopt a policy governing the eligibility of agency mem-
- 17B bers, officers and employees for such loans*.
- 18 b. Any member, officer or employee of the agency who violates
- 19 the provisions of this section is guilty of a crime of the fourth
- 20 degree. Any such person shall be barred from public employment
- 21 in this State in any capacity whatsoever for a period of five years
- 22 from the date he was adjudged guilty.
- 1 *[38.]* *40.* On or before the last day of March in each year, the
- 2 agency shall make an annual report of its activities for the preced-
- 3 ing calendar year to the Governor and to the Legislature. Each
- 4 report shall set forth a complete operating and financial statement
- 5 covering its operations during the year. The agency shall cause an
- 6 audit of its books and accounts to be made at least once in each year
- 7 by certified public accountants and the cost thereof shall be con-
- 8 sidered an expense of the agency and a copy thereof shall be filed
- 9 with the State Treasurer.
- 1 *[39. The agency shall review annually the housing program con-

- 2 tent of its actions, its best estimates of housing needs of New Jersey
- 3 residents and its assessment of available resources, establish and, in
- 4 light of this review, its priorities for housing programs during the
- 5 ensuing year.]*
- 1 *41. a. The agency shall develop and revise every two years an
- 2 agency financial strategy. This strategy shall be submitted to the
- 3 presiding officer of each House of the Legislature and to the Senate
- 4 County and Municipal Government Committee and the General
- 5 Assembly Housing and Urban Policy Committee, or their succes-
- 6 sors
- 7 b. The strategy shall include, but need not be limited to:
- 8 (1) An inventory and description of the housing stock in New
- 9 Jersey based on currently available data;
- 10 (2) An estimate of the housing needs;
- 11 (3) An estimate of the cost of construction, improvement, repair
- 12 or rehabilitation of housing to meet those needs;
- 13 (4) Estimates of resources available to meet those needs;
- 14 (5) A list of the agency's priorities in meeting the housing needs
- 15 of the residents of the State; and
- 16 (6) An estimate of the extent and nature of the agency's financial
- 17 participation in housing projects for the next two years.
- 18 c. The agency shall annually review the housing program con-
- 19 tent of its actions in light of the powers granted in this act and of
- 20 the goals and priorities established in its financing strategy.*
- 1 *[40. Wage rate of workmen employed by qualified housing
- 2 sponsors; determination. * *42.* Each qualified housing sponsor
- 3 granted a loan from the agency, or any builder, contractor or sub-
- 4 contractor engaged by the qualified housing sponsor for the con-
- 5 struction or rehabilitation of any housing projects, shall pay the
- 6 workmen employed in the performance of any contract for such
- 7 construction or rehabilitation not less than the prevailing wage
- 8 rate *[as determined by the Commissioner of Labor except as
- 8A hereinafter provided.
- 9 In the following instances the qualified housing sponsor granted
- 10 a loan from the agency, or any builder, contractor or subcontractor
- 11 engaged by the qualified housing sponsor for the construction or
- 12 rehabilitation of any housing project shall pay the workmen em-
- 13 ployed in the performance of any contract for such construction
- 14 or rehabilitation not less than the prevailing wage rate as]*
- 15 *. The prevailing wage rate shall be determined by the commissioner
- 16 of the New Jersey Department of Labor in all cases, except that
- 17 the prevailing wage rate shall be* determined by the Secretary of
- 18 the United States Department of Labor in accordance with the

Davis-Bacon Act as amended (40 U. S. Code 276a to 276a-5)*[: 19 20 (1) when the loan from the agency for the construction or rehabili-21 tation of a housing project is funded from the proceeds of agency 22obligations to which the general credit of the agency has not been pledged, (2) when the loan from the agency is for the construction 2324 or rehabilitation of a housing project which does not exceed four 25stories, (3)]* when the loan from the agency for the construction or rehabilitation of a housing project or the tenants of the housing 26 27 project is the subject of direct or indirect federal assistance other 28 than the federal tax-exemption of the interest paid on the agency 28A obligations*[, or (4) when it is deemed necessary in order for a 28B housing project to be financially feasible as determined by agency 28c standard underwriting criteria.*.

29 The Commissioner of Labor is authorized to, and shall, determine 30 the prevailing wage rate and shall establish the prevailing wage in 31 the locality in which the construction or rehabilitation of any hous-32 ing project is to be performed for each craft or trade or classification of all workmen employed in the performance of such construc-33 tion or rehabilitation, as if such construction or rehabilitation were 34"public work" within the meaning of P. L. 1963, c. 150 (34:11-56.25 35 et seq.). For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this 36 section, the Commissioner of Labor and any workmen employed in 37 the performance of any contract for the construction or rehabilita-38 tion of any housing project, shall have and may exercise or perform 39 any right, power or duty granted or imposed upon them by P. L. 40 1963, c. 150. 41

* 41. * 43. * All officers, departments, boards, agencies, divisions 1 and commissions of the State are hereby authorized and empowered 2 to render any services to the agency as may be within the area 3 of their respective governmental functions as fixed or established 4 by law, and as may be requested by the agency. The cost and 5 expense of any such services shall be met and provided for by 6 7 the agency.

* [42.] * *44.* No person shall be discriminated against, because of 1 race, religious principles, color, national origin or ancestry by the 2 agency, any housing sponsor, any institutional lender, or any loan 3 originator or any agent or employee thereof in connection with 4 any housing project or eligible loan. *No person shall be discrimi-5 nated against because of age in admission to, or continuance of 6 occupancy in, any housing project receiving assistance under this 8 act except for any housing project constructed under a governmental program restricting occupancy of at least 90% of the dwell-9 ing units to persons 62 years of age or older and any members of

- 11 their immediate households or their occupant surviving spouses, or
- 12 constructed as a retirement subdivision or retirement community
- 13 as defined in the "Retirement Community Full Disclosure Act,"
- 14 P. L. 1968, c. 215 (C. 45:22A-1 et seq.).* Any person who violates
- 15 the provisions of this section is a disorderly person.
- 1 *[43.]* *45.* It is the intent of the Legislature that in the event
- 2 of any conflict or inconsistency in the provisions of this act and any
- 3 other acts pertaining to matters herein established or provided for
- 4 or in any rules and regulations adopted under this act or said other
- 5 acts, to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency, the provisions
- 6 of this act and the rules and regulations adopted thereunder shall
- 7 be enforced and the provisions of such other acts and rules and
- 8 regulations adopted thereunder shall be of no effect.
- 1 *[44.]* *46.* This act shall be construed liberally to effectuate
- 2 the legislative intent and the purposes of this act as complete and
- 3 independent authority for the performance of every act and thing
- 4 herein authorized and all powers herein granted shall be broadly
- 5 interpreted to effectuate such intent and purposes and not as a
- 6 limitation of powers.
- 1 *47. If any clause, sentence, subdivision, paragraph, section or
- 2 part of this act shall be adjudged by any court of competent juris-
- 3 diction to be unconstitutional or invalid, such judgment shall not
- 4 affect, impair or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be con-
- 5 fined in its operation to the clause, sentence, subdivision, paragraph,
- 6 section or part thereof directly involved in the controversy in which
- 7 said judgment shall have been rendered.*
- 1 *[45.]* *48.* The following are repealed:
- 2 P. L. 1967, c. 81, §§ 1–19, 21–40 (C. 55:14J–1 to 55:14J–19 inclu-
- 3 sive, C. 55:14J-21 to 55:14J-40 inclusive);
- 4 P. L. 1970, c. 38 (C. 17:1B-4 to 17:1B-25 inclusive);
- 5 P. L. 1975, c. 160, §§ 1, 5, 6 (C. 17:1B-5.1, 17:1B-9.1, 17:1B-9.2);
- 6 P. L. 1975, c. 396 (C. 17:1B-9.3);
- 7 P. L. 1976, c. 3, §§ 3, 8 (C. 55:14J-20.1 and 55:14J-20.2);
- 8 P. L. 1976, c. 133, § 5 (C. 55:14J-45); and
- 9 P. L. 1981, c. 515, §§ 1, 2, 6–10 (C. 55:14J–52 to 55:14J–58 inclu-
- 10 sive).
 - 1 *[46.]* *49.* This act shall take effect immediately.

ASSEMBLY HOUSING AND URBAN POLICY COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 3463

with Assembly committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MAY 9, 1983

Assembly Bill No. 3463 is reported favorably, with amendments.

This bill merges the New Jersey Mortgage Finance Agency and the New Jersey Housing Finance Agency. HFA was established in 1967 to assist in financing multiple-housing projects; MFA in 1970 to provide availability of financing for single-family mortgage loans. The new agency combines those functions; moreover, in recognition of the non-traditional types of housing now available, the need for innovative housing development techniques, volatile financial markets and changing federal programs, the agency is given considerable flexibility in the types of financing and housing activities authorized.

The amendments proposed by the committee are intended to render the new agency still more comprehensive, flexible and innovative. They include: (1) authority for the agency to "pool" loans which it holds and raise funds by selling shares of such pools to investors; (2) authority for the agency to offer incentives for employers to set up non-profit or limited-dividend corporations to help provide home-ownership opportunities for their employees; (3) a requirement that the agency encourage development of cooperatives, lease-purchase programs and other innovative programs for home-ownership.

Another amendment charters the New Jersey Housing Development Corporation, within the agency, with powers to raise funds through sale of stock, to engage in a variety of housing construction or rehabilitation projects, and to contract with the agency for the development of such projects.

Another amendment authorizes the agency to organize one or more subsidiary corporations to act on behalf of the agency in operating agency-financed projects, rehabilitating foreclosed or abandoned properties, and conducting demonstration or experimental housing activities.

A further amendment requires that, in addition to its annual reports, the agency biennially formulate and update a "financial strategy" assessing the condition of housing in the State and formulating its goals and priorities for the next two years. Under this proposed legislation, the new agency may provide financing for operating, maintaining, constructing, acquiring, rehabilitating or improving housing of all kinds.

The new agency will succeed to all the rights and obligations of the two original agencies, and will retain their employees. Regulations of the original agencies remain in effect until changed by the new agency.

The board of the new agency will consist of the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs, as chairman; the State Treasurer, Attorney General and Commissioner of Banking; and three members appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, for three-year terms (with one term to expire each year), who are to be persons knowledgeable in areas relating to the agency's activities.

The provisions of the Boarding House Life Safety Improvement Act of 1981, P. L. 1981, c. 515 (C. 55:14J-52 et seq.) have been incorporated into the bill.

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SENATE STATE GOVERNMENT, FEDERAL AND INTERSTATE RELATIONS AND VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 3463

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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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This bill merges the New Jersey Mortgage Finance Agency and the New Jersey Housing Finance Agency into a single agency to be known as the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency. The HFA was established in 1967 to assist in financing multi-family housing projects. The MFA was created in 1970 to assist in financing the purchase of single family housing. The new agency will combine these functions and is given a broader grant of authority for financing housing programs. The agency can pool loans, offer incentives, develop cooperatives, organize subsidiary corporations, create a Housing Development Corporation, and issue taxable and nontaxable honds. It may provide financing for operating, maintaining, constructing, acquiring, rehabilitating or improving various types of housing, ranging from single room occupancy housing to single family homes to multi-family dwellings.

The HMFA shall have the property rights and undertake all of the debts, liabilities, obligations, agreements and covenants of the original agencies. The employees of the original agencies shall become employees of the new agency without affecting their pension and retirement system rights. The regulations of the original agencies will remain in effect until changed by the HMFA.

The HMFA board shall consist of the Commissioner of the Department of Community Affairs, who shall serve as its chairman, the State Treasurer, the Attorney General and the Commissioner of Banking, who shall be members ex officio, and three members appointed by the Governor with knowledge in the areas of housing design, construction or operation, urban redevelopment or community relations. The minutes of the board are subject to a gubernatorial veto.

The bill was amended to provide for consultation with housing sponsors.

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"The drunk driver has become a manace of increasing dimensions," Kean said. "With this new package in place and with stricter enforcement and penalties, New Jersey can lead the nation in sweeping its roads and highways of the drunken driver."

Kean also signed A-1430, sponsored by Assemblyman David Schwartz, D-Middlesex, which creates an 18-member Public Employees Occupational Safety and Health Advisory Board to develop safety and health standards to be applied to public employers and employees.

State and local governments are exempt from Federal OSHA requirements and this legislation is a step toward assuring the health and safety of those employed in government buildings.

The bill is effective immediately, although the OSHA board has 180 days to promulgate its rules for the State. Counties, municipalities and school districts are not affected for two years from the date of enactment.

The Governor also signed A-3463, sponsored by Assemblyman David Schwartz, D-Middlesex, to merge the Housing Finance Agency and the Mortgage Finance Agency into a new panel with expanded powers to promote the financing of low and moderate income housing.

The bill, a Kean Administration initiative, empowers the new Agency to make loans for operating, maintaining, constructing, acquiring, rehabilitating or improving housing property. Its powers extend to all types of housing, including single family, multi-family, congregate housing, single room occupancy housing and mobile homes.