55:14 K-1

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

Compiled by the NJ State Law Library

("Rental Housing Incentive Guarantee Act")

NJSA:

55:14K-1

LAWS OF:

1995

CHAPTER:

359

BILL NO:

A1483

SPONSOR (S:

Gaffney

DATE INTRODUCED:

March 7, 1994

COMMITTEE:

ASSEMBLY:

Housing

SENATE:

Community Affairs; Budget

AMENDED DURING PASSAGE:

No

Assembly Committee Substitute Enacted

DATE OF PASSAGE:

ASSEMBLY:

November 14, 1995

SENATE:

December 11, 19995

DATE OF APPROVAL:

January 5, 1996

FOLLOWING STATEMENTS ARE ATTACHED IF AVAILABLE:

SPONSOR STATEMENT:

Yes

COMMITTEE STATEMENT:

ASSEMBLY:

SENATE:

Yes

Yes

5-15-95 & 11-27-95

FISCAL NOTE:

No

VETO MESSAGE:

No

MESSAGE ON SIGNING:

No

FOLLOWING WERE PRINTED:

REPORTS:

No

HEARINGS:

Yes

974.90 H842 New Jersey. Legislature. General Assembly. Housing Committee.

Committee meeting...testimony regarding the efforts made to date to implement legislative enactments. February 10, 1997. Trenton,

1997a

1997.

KBP:pp

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

ASSEMBLY, No. 1483

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

ADOPTED OCTOBER 20, 1994

Sponsored by Assemblymen GAFFNEY, GREEN, Kramer, Kelly, Assemblywoman Smith and Assemblyman Hayden

AN ACT establishing the Rental Housing Incentive Guarantee Program, providing for loan guarantees for developers of affordable rental housing under certain circumstances, supplementing and amending P.L.1983, c.530, and amending P.L.1974, c.80 and P.L.1992, c.16.

5 7

8

9

10

11

12 13

14

15

16

17

18

19 20

21 22

23

24

25

26

27 28

29 30

31

32 33

34

35

36

37

38 39

40

41

42

1

2

3

4

6

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

- 1. (New section) This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Rental Housing Incentive Guarantee Program."
 - 2. (New section) The Legislature hereby finds and declares:
- a. The present depressed condition of the housing industry in this State is both an obstacle to economic recovery and a source of distress to those among our population for whom housing at affordable cost has become inadequate, insufficient or unavailable.
- b. By enactment of P.L.1992, c.114 (C.55:14K-45 et seq.) this Legislature recognized the severity of this problem and endeavored to provide a stimulus to the housing industry through a program of loans and loan guarantees for housing development, to be administered by the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency (HMFA).
- The aforesaid enactment, however, is limited to the encouragement of housing that is to be developed for sale to individual home owners; whereas for the foreseeable future the most pressing need for housing will be among those lower-income groups for whom home ownership remains out of reach, and to whom it is essential that affordable rental housing of a decent standard of habitability be made available.
- d. The Assembly Task Force on HMFA Operations, which issued its general recommendations on January 27, 1993, recommended that additional resources be allocated towards significantly increasing rental housing production.
- e. The Assembly Housing Committee, in both the 1992-1993 and 1994-1995 legislative sessions, has provided forums on numerous occasions to the banking industry, HMFA, and builders of rental housing, which enabled these parties to formulate a plan to remove the barriers to the construction of affordable rental housing.
- f. It is, therefore, the intention of this act to make available, under administration of the HMFA, loan guarantees to developers of rental housing upon terms that include assurances of long-term

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

affordability to low and moderate income renters of a significant proportion of the dwelling units thus developed.

g. It is the further intention of this act to suggest that a portion of the funding provided to the New Jersey Economic Development Authority (NJEDA) under the "Economic Recovery Act" (P.L.1992, c.16, C.34:1B-7.10 et seq.), be directed to the development of affordable rental housing.

3. (New section) As used in this act:

"Agency" means the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency.

"Construction costs" means all expenditures made or incurred by a qualified housing developer, inclusive of reasonable pre-construction costs, prior to the obtaining of permanent financing on a completed housing development.

"Construction loan" means a loan made to a qualified developer for the financing of construction costs.

"Development" means development within the meaning of the "Municipal Land Use Law," P.L.1975, c.291 (C.40:55D-1 et seq.).

"Fund" means the Rental Housing Incentive Guarantee Fund established pursuant to section 4 of this act.

"Housing developer" means any person, firm, corporation or association of persons that has undertaken or proposes to undertake a housing development.

"Housing development" means development undertaken for the purpose of creating one or more residential units, whether detached or attached or in the form of multiple dwellings, for occupancy under rental tenure by persons who shall occupy such units as their usual and permanent residence, together with any structures or facilities appurtenant or ancillary thereto.

"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 this State, or any insurance company or any mortgage banking firm or mortgage banking corporation authorized to transact business in this State.

"Loan guarantee" means an agreement by the agency to guarantee up to 30 percent of the remaining principal balance of a loan made to a qualified developer by an institutional lender, either through agreements to purchase loans or to otherwise indemnify the lender, up to an amount not to exceed \$300,000.

"Permanent financing" means long-term financing secured by a qualified housing developer through an institutional lender, and may include construction costs and costs associated with developing, constructing, and managing a housing development.

"Pre-construction costs" means the amount approved by the agency as an appropriate expenditure that may be incurred prior to the obtaining of permanent financing on a completed housing development, exclusive of the actual costs of construction and preparatory and ancillary to actual construction, and may include, without limitation: (1) payments for options, deposits or contracts to purchase properties on the proposed housing development site; (2) legal and organizational expenses, including attorneys' fees, and salaries, office rent and other incidental expenses for a project manager and office staff; (3)

fees for preliminary feasibility studies, planning advances, borings, surveys, engineering and architectural work, and fees for the services of architects, engineers, planners and attorneys in connection therewith; (4) expenses for tenant surveys and market analyses; and (5) such other expenses as the agency may deem necessary and appropriate to effectuate the purposes of this act.

"Qualified housing developer" means a housing developer who has qualified for a loan guarantee pursuant to section 5 of this act.

"Qualified housing development" means a housing development for which a loan guarantee may be made pursuant to section 5 of this act.

- 4. (New section) a. There is hereby established in the agency the Rental Housing Incentive Guarantee Fund, which shall be non-revolving, for the purpose of funding loan guarantees authorized pursuant to this act.
- b. There shall be paid into the fund: (1) moneys allocated to the agency under agreements made with the New Jersey Economic Development Authority pursuant to section 9 of this act and (2) any other funds that may be made available to the fund by the agency, such as funds available from bond redemptions or refundings, federal funds, available reserves, monies available from the Revolving Housing Development and Demonstration Grant Program fund established pursuant to section 5 of P.L.1967, c.82 (C.52:27D-63), or any monies available from any other program the purpose of which is to promote affordable housing, up to an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000, which shall be based on lender participation and program demands.
- c. Moneys in the fund shall be used exclusively for (1) making payments in fulfillment of the terms of loan guarantees entered into pursuant to section 5 of this act; and (2) defraying the administrative costs of the agency in carrying out the purposes and provisions of this act.
- 5. (New section) a. The agency is hereby authorized to contract with institutional lenders to guarantee on behalf of a qualified housing developer the repayment of up to 30 percent of the full principal balance of a loan outstanding at the time of any default, up to a maximum of \$300,000, provided subsection c. of this section is complied with.
- b. The agency shall establish within the fund sufficient reserves and liquid reserves to provide a sufficient and actuarially sound basis for its pledges contained in any guarantee contract entered into pursuant to subsection a. of this section.
- c. The agency shall adopt rules and regulations governing the issuance of loan guarantees pursuant to this section, including matters related to the duties and the exercise of the powers of the agency under this section, and the provision of technical assistance to developers, including:
- (1) procedures for the submission of requests for such guarantees;
- (2) standards and requirements governing the allocation of guarantees to applicant institutional lenders, and determining the fees to be charged therefor and the manner of payment of those

fees; and

- (3) after consultation with participating institutional lenders, reasonable restrictions as to the maturities and interest rates of any loan, or the return realized therefrom by the institutional lender, and requirements as to commitments by institutional lenders with respect to loans upon which guarantees may be issued.
- d. A loan guarantee may be made only with respect to a housing development of 25 units or fewer, or to a segment not exceeding 25 units of a larger housing development projected or in progress.
- e. A loan guarantee shall include assurances of long-term affordability to low and moderate income tenants for a portion of the units in the development.
- f. A loan guarantee with respect to any housing development may be made when it has been demonstrated to the satisfaction of the agency that the qualified housing developer has met the criteria for a loan guarantee as specified in this section. The agency shall make such a determination within 30 days of submission of an application by a qualified housing developer.
- g. Every loan subject to a loan guarantee made pursuant to this section shall be secured by a first lien upon the real property concerned in the development, or segment thereof, with respect to which the loan is made and such other collateral as the agency may consider necessary to secure the interests of the fund in accordance with the provisions and purposes of this act. The agency may, if it deems necessary, require the loan to be secured by a personal loan guarantee by the developer or by a lien upon other real property contained in a development not included in the segment with respect to which the loan is made, or upon any other real property, or interest therein, belonging to the qualified housing developer to whom the loan is made; provided, however, that no personal loan guarantee shall be required of any agent or officer of a nonprofit housing developer.
- h. The provisions of P.L. , c. (C.)(now pending before the Legislature as this substitute), to the extent that they can be read to be in conflict with the provisions of P.L.1983, c.530 (C.55:14K-1 et seq.), shall be read to enlarge the powers granted by that act, or when directly contrary, supersede any such provision.
- 6. (New section) For the purpose of carrying out the housing component of mixed use projects of the New Jersey Economic Development Authority consisting of both housing and commercial development, the agency may enter into agreements with that authority and receive funds from the authority for any of the purposes authorized by this act and specified in the agreement between the agency and the Economic Development Authority.
- 7. (New section) The New Jersey Economic Development Authority shall provide funding for any agreements entered into pursuant to section 6 of P.L., c. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as this substitute) on the basis of demand, utilizing (1) such amounts from the Economic Recovery Fund established pursuant to P.L.1992, c.16 (C.34:1B-7.10 et al.) as the

1 authority determines to be necessary, within the limits of funding available from that fund, based upon executed agreements 2 between the authority and the Housing and Mortgage Finance 3 4 concerning mixed-use housing and commercial 5 developments pursuant to section 3 of P.L.1974, c.80 (C.34:1B-3) 6 and (2) other moneys of the authority, including but not limited to 7 moneys available from other business loan programs administered 8 by the authority, that the authority determines to be necessary.

8. Section 3 of P.L.1974, c.80 (C.34:1B-3) is amended to read as follows:

9

10

11

12

13

14

1516

17

18 19

20

2122

2324

25

26 27

28 29

30 31

32

33

34

35

36

37

38

39

40

41

42 43

44

45

46

47 48

49

50

51

- 3. As used in this act, unless a different meaning clearly appears from the context:
- a. "Authority" means the New Jersey Economic Development Authority, created by section 4 of this act.
 - b. "Bonds" means bonds or other obligations issued by the authority pursuant to this act or "Economic Recovery Bonds or Notes" issued pursuant to P.L.1992, c.16 (C.34:1B-7.10 et al.).
 - "Cost" means the cost of the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, repair, alteration, improvement and extension of any building, structure, facility including water transmission facilities, or other improvement; the cost of machinery and equipment; the cost of acquisition, construction, reconstruction, repair, alteration, improvement and extension of energy saving improvements or pollution control devices, equipment or facilities; the cost of lands, rights-in-lands, easements, privileges, agreements, franchises, utility extensions, disposal facilities, access roads and site development deemed by the authority to be necessary or useful and convenient for any project or in connection therewith; discount on bonds; cost of issuance of bonds; engineering and inspection costs; costs of financial, legal, professional and other estimates and advice; organization, administrative, insurance, operating and other expenses of the authority or any person prior to and during any acquisition or construction, and all such expenses as may be necessary or incident to the financing, acquisition, construction or completion of any project or part thereof, and also such provision for reserves for payment or security of principal of or interest on bonds during or after such acquisition or construction as the authority may determine.
 - d. "County" means any county of any class.
 - e. "Development property" means any real or personal property, interest therein, improvements thereon, appurtenances thereto and air or other rights in connection therewith, including land, buildings, plants, structures, systems, works, machinery and equipment acquired or to be acquired by purchase, gift or otherwise by the authority within an urban growth zone.
 - f. "Person" means any person, including individuals, firms, partnerships, associations, societies, trusts, public or private corporations, or other legal entities, including public or governmental bodies, as well as natural persons. "Person" shall include the plural as well as the singular.
- g. "Pollution control project" means any device, equipment, improvement, structure or facility, or any land and any building, structure, facility or other improvement thereon, or any

3

4

5

6

7 8

9

10

11

12

13

1415

16 17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

26

27

28

29

30 31

32

33

34

35

36

37

38 39

40 41

42 43

44

45

46

47

48 49

50

5152

5354

combination thereof, whether or not in existence or under construction, or the refinancing thereof in order to facilitate improvements or additions thereto or upgrading thereof, and all real and personal property deemed necessary thereto, having to do with or the end purpose of which is the control, abatement or prevention of land, sewer, water, air, noise or general environmental pollution, including, but not limited to, any air pollution control facility, noise abatement facility, water management facility, thermal pollution control facility, radiation contamination control facility, wastewater collection system, wastewater treatment works, sewage treatment works system, sewage treatment system or solid waste disposal facility or site; provided that the authority shall have received from the Commissioner of the State Department of Environmental Protection or his duly authorized representative a certificate stating the opinion that, based upon information, facts and circumstances available to the State Department Environmental Protection and any other pertinent data, (1) said pollution control facilities do not conflict with, overlap or duplicate any other planned or existing pollution control facilities undertaken or planned by another public agency or authority within any political subdivision, and (2) that such facilities, as designed, will be a pollution control project as defined in this act and are in furtherance of the purpose of abating or controlling pollution.

h. "Project" means: (1) (a) acquisition, construction, reconstruction, repair, alteration, improvement and extension of any building, structure, facility, including water transmission facilities or other improvement, whether or not in existence or under construction, (b) purchase and installation of equipment and machinery, (c) acquisition and improvement of real estate and the extension or provision of utilities, access roads and other appurtenant facilities; and (2) (a) the acquisition, financing, or refinancing of inventory, raw materials, supplies, work in process, or stock in trade, or (b) the financing, refinancing or consolidation of secured or unsecured debt, borrowings, obligations, or (c) the provision of financing for any other expense incurred in the ordinary course of business; all of which are to be used or occupied by any person in any enterprise promoting employment, either for the manufacturing, processing assembly of materials or products, or for research or office purposes, including, but not limited to, medical and other professional facilities, or for industrial, recreational, hotel or motel facilities, public utility and warehousing, or commercial and service purposes, including, but not limited to, retail outlets, retail shopping centers, restaurant and retail food outlets, and any and all other employment promoting enterprises, including, but not limited to, motion picture and television studios and facilities and commercial fishing facilities, commercial facilities for recreational fishermen, fishing vessels, aquaculture facilities and marketing facilities for fish and fish products and (d) acquisition of an equity interest in, including capital stock of, any corporation; or any combination of the above, which the authority determines will: (i) tend to maintain

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10 11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18 19

20

21

22

2324

25

26

27

28

29

30

31

32

33

34

35

36

37

38

39 40

41

4243

44 45

46

47

48

49

50

5152

53

54

or provide gainful employment opportunities within and for the people of the State, or (ii) aid, assist and encourage the economic development or redevelopment of any political subdivision of the State, or (iii) maintain or increase the tax base of the State or of any political subdivision of the State, or (iv) maintain or diversify and expand employment promoting enterprises within the State; and (3) the cost of acquisition, construction, reconstruction, repair, alteration, improvement and extension of an energy saving improvement or pollution control project which the authority determines will tend to reduce the consumption in a building devoted to industrial or commercial purposes, or in an office building, of nonrenewable sources of energy or to reduce, abate or prevent environmental pollution within the State; and (4) the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, repair, alteration, improvement, extension, development, financing or refinancing of infrastructure and transportation facilities or improvements related to economic development and of cultural, recreational and tourism facilities or improvements related to economic development and of capital facilities for primary and secondary schools and of mixed use projects consisting of housing and commercial development. Project may also reimbursement to any person for costs in connection with any project, or the refinancing of any project or portion thereof, if determined by the authority as necessary and in the public interest to maintain employment and the tax base of any political subdivision and will facilitate improvements thereto or the completion thereof, and (ii) development property and any construction, reconstruction, improvement, alteration, equipment or maintenance or repair, or planning and designing in connection therewith. For the purpose of carrying out mixed use projects consisting of both housing and commercial development, the authority may enter into agreements with the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency for loan guarantees for any such project in accordance with the provisions of P.L.) (now pending before the Legislature as this substitute), and for that purpose shall allocate to the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency, under such agreements, funding available pursuant to subsection a. of section 4 of P.L.1992, c.16 (C.34:1B-7.13).

- i. "Revenues" means receipts, fees, rentals or other payments to be received on account of lease, mortgage, conditional sale, or sale, and payments and any other income derived from the lease, sale or other disposition of a project, moneys in such reserve and insurance funds or accounts or other funds and accounts, and income from the investment thereof, established in connection with the issuance of bonds or notes for a project or projects, and fees, charges or other moneys to be received by the authority in respect of projects and contracts with persons.
- j. "Resolution" means any resolution adopted or trust agreement executed by the authority, pursuant to which bonds of the authority are authorized to be issued.
- k. "Energy saving improvement" means the construction, purchase and installation in a building devoted to industrial or commercial purposes of any of the following, designed to reduce

1 the amount of energy from nonrenewable sources needed for

- 2 heating and cooling that building: insulation, replacement
- 3 burners, replacement high efficiency heating and air conditioning
- 4 units, including modular boilers and furnaces, water heaters,
- 5 central air conditioners with or without heat recovery to make
- 6 hot water for industrial or commercial purposes or in office
- 7 buildings, and any solar heating or cooling system improvement,
- 8 including any system which captures solar radiation to heat a
- 9 fluid which passes over or through the collector element of that
- system and then transfers that fluid to a point within the system
- where the heat is withdrawn from the fluid for direct usage or
- 12 storage. These systems shall include, but not necessarily be
- 13 limited to, systems incorporating flat plate, evacuated tube or
- 14 focusing solar collectors.

The foregoing list shall not be construed to be exhaustive, and shall not serve to exclude other improvements consistent with the legislative intent of this amendatory act.

- l. "Urban growth zone" means any area within a municipality receiving State aid pursuant to the provisions of P.L.1978, c.14 (C.52:27D-178 et seq.) or a municipality certified by the Commissioner of Community Affairs to qualify under such law in every respect except population, which area has been so designated pursuant to an ordinance of the governing body of such municipality.
- 25 (cf: P.L.1992, c.16, s.11)
- 9. Section 3 of P.L. 1983, c. 530 (C. 55:14K-3) is amended to read as follows:
 - 3. As used in this act:
 - a. "Agency" means the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency as consolidated by section 4 of [this act] <u>P.L.</u> 1983, c. 530 (C. 55:14K-4), or, if that agency shall be abolished by law, the person, board, body or commission succeeding to the powers and duties thereof or to whom its powers and duties shall be given by law.
 - b. "Boarding house" means any building, together with any related structure, accessory building, any land appurtenant thereto, and any part thereof, which contains two or more units of dwelling space arranged or intended for single room occupancy, exclusive of any such unit occupied by an owner or operator, including:
 - (1) any residential hotel or congregate living arrangement, but excluding any hotel, motel or established guesthouse wherein a minimum 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 of P.L.1953, c. 212 (C. 30:11A-1) or licensed pursuant to P.L.1971, c. 136 (C. 26:2H-1 et seq.); (3) any foster home as defined in 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 of P.L.1977, c. 448 (C. 30:11B-2); (5) any dormitory owned or operated on behalf of any nonprofit institution of primary, secondary or higher education for the use of its students; (6) any building arranged for single room occupancy wherein the units of dwelling space are occupied exclusively by students enrolled in a full-time course of study at

an institution of higher education approved by the Department of Higher Education; and (7) any facility or living arrangement operated by, or under contract with, any State department or agency.

- c. "Bonds" mean any bonds, notes, bond anticipation notes, debentures or other evidences of financial indebtedness issued by the agency pursuant to this act.
- d. "Continuing-care retirement community" means any work or undertaking, whether new construction, improvement or rehabilitation, which may be financed in part or in whole by the agency and which is designed to complement fully independent residential units with social and health care services (usually including nursing and medical services) for retirement families and which is intended to 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 necessary, convenient or desirable.
- 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 acquisition of a direct or indirect interest in property, located in the State, which is or 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 is primarily residential in character. The agency shall adopt regulations defining the term "primarily residential in character", which may include single-family, multi-family and congregate or other single room occupancy housing, continuing-care retirement communities, mobile homes and nonhousing properties and facilities which enhance the livability of the residential property or area; and specifying the types of residential services and facilities for which eligible loans may be made, which may include, but shall not be limited to, parking facilities, streets, sewers, utilities, and administrative, community, educational, welfare and recreational facilities, food, laundry, health and other services and commercial establishments and professional offices providing supplies and services enhancing the area. The term "loan" includes an obligation the return on which may vary with any appreciation in value of the property or interest in property financed with the proceeds of the loan, or a co-ventured instrument by which an institutional lender or the agency assumes an equity position in the property. Any undivided interest in an eligible loan shall qualify as an eligible loan.
- 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 individual who (1) has attained retirement age as defined in section 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 as the agency by rule or regulation shall include, shall be considered as a family for the purpose of this act; and the surviving member of a family whose other members died during occupancy of a housing project shall be considered as a family for the purposes of permitting continued occupancy of the dwelling unit occupied by such family.

- g. "Gross aggregate family income" means the total annual income of all members of a family, from whatever source derived, including but not limited to, pension, annuity, retirement and social security benefits; except that there may be excluded from income (1) such reasonable allowances for dependents, (2) such reasonable allowances for medical expenses, (3) all or any proportionate part of the earnings of gainfully employed minors, or (4) such income as is not received regularly, as the agency by rule or regulation may determine.
- h. "Housing project" or "project" means any work or undertaking, other than a continuing-care [retirement] community, whether new construction [or] , improvement, rehabilitation, or acquisition of existing buildings or units which is designed for the primary purpose of providing multi-family rental housing [of more than 25 dwelling units] or acquisition of sites for future multi-family rental housing.
- i. "Housing sponsor" means any person, partnership, corporation or association , whether organized as for profit or not for profit, to which the agency has made or proposes to make a loan, either directly or through an institutional lender, for a 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.
- k. "Life safety improvement" means any addition, modification or repair to a boarding house which is necessary to improve the life safety of the residents of the boarding house, as certified by the Department of Community Affairs.
- l. "Life safety improvement loan" means an eligible loan the proceeds of which are to be used to finance, in whole or in part, the construction, acquisition or rendering of life safety improvements at or to boarding houses.
- m. "Loan originator" 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, or any agency or instrumentality of the United States or the State or a political subdivision of the State, which is authorized to make eligible loans.
- n. "Municipality" means any city of any class or any town, township, village or borough.
- o. "Mutual housing" means a housing project operated or to be operated upon completion of construction, improvement or rehabilitation 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 persons and families, irrespective of race, creed, national origin or sex, determined by the agency to require assistance on account of personal or family income being not sufficient to afford adequate housing. In making such determination the agency shall take into account the following:
- (1) the amount of the total income of such persons and families available for housing needs, (2) the size of the family, (3) the cost and condition of housing facilities available and (4) the eligibility of such persons and families to compete successfully in the normal housing market and to pay the amounts at which private enterprise is providing sanitary, decent and safe housing. In the case of projects with respect to which income limits have been established by any agency of the federal government having jurisdiction thereover for the purpose of defining eligibility of low and moderate income families, the agency may determine that the limits so established shall govern. In all other cases income limits for the purpose of defining low or moderate income persons shall be established by the agency in its rules and regulations.
- q. "Project cost" means the sum total of all costs incurred in the acquisition, development, construction, improvement or rehabilitation of a housing project, which are approved by the agency as reasonable or necessary, which costs shall include, but are not necessarily limited to, (1) cost of land acquisition and any buildings thereon, (2) cost of site preparation, demolition and development, (3) architect, engineer, legal, agency and other fees paid or payable in connection with the planning, execution and financing of the project, (4) cost of necessary studies, surveys, plans and permits, (5) insurance, interest, financing, tax and assessment costs and other operating and carrying costs during construction, (6) cost of construction, reconstruction, fixtures, and equipment related to the real property, (7) cost of land improvements, (8) necessary expenses in connection with initial occupancy of the project, (9) a reasonable profit or fee to the builder and developer, (10) an allowance established by the agency for working capital and contingency reserves, and reserves for any operating deficits, (11) costs of guarantees, insurance or other additional financial security for the project and (12) the cost of such other items, including tenant relocation, as the agency shall determine to be reasonable and necessary for the development of the project, less any and all net rents and other net revenues received from the operation of the real and property on the project construction, improvement or rehabilitation.

All costs shall be subject to approval and audit by the agency. The agency may adopt rules and regulations specifying in detail the types and categories of cost which shall be allowable if actually incurred in the development, acquisition, construction, improvement or rehabilitation of a housing project.

r. "Retirement family" means one or more persons related by blood, marriage or adoption who live or expect to live together as a single household in the same dwelling unit, provided that at least one of the persons is an individual who (1) has attained

ACS for A1483

retirement age as defined in section 216a of the Federal Social Security Act, or (2) is under a disability as defined in section 223 of that act, or (3) such individuals as the agency by rule or regulation shall include; and provided further, that the surviving member of a retirement family whose other members died during occupancy of a continuing-care retirement community shall be considered as a retirement family for purposes of permitting continued occupancy of the dwelling unit occupied by such retirement family.

(cf: P.L.1983, c.530, s.3)

10. (New section) The agency is hereby authorized to promulgate, in accordance with the provisions of the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), all rules and regulations necessary to effectuate the purposes of this act.

11. This act shall take effect on the 90th day following enactment, except that section 10 shall take effect immediately.

22 Establishes the Rental Housing Incentive Guarantee Fund and 23 program in HMFA.

legislative intent of this amendatory act.

- l. "Urban growth zone" means any area within a municipality receiving State aid pursuant to the provisions of P.L.1978, c.14 (C.52:27D-178 et seq.) or a municipality certified by the Commissioner of Community Affairs to qualify under such law in every respect except population, which area has been so designated pursuant to an ordinance of the governing body of such municipality.
- (cf: P.L.1992, c.16 s.11)
- 9. (New section) The agency is hereby authorized to promulgate, in accordance with the provisions of the "Administrative Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), all rules and regulations necessary to effectuate the purposes of this act.
- 10. This act shall take effect on the 90th day next following its enactment, except that section 9 shall take effect immediately.

STATEMENT

The present depressed condition of the housing industry in this State is both an obstacle to economic recovery for the whole community, and a source of distress to those among our population for whom housing within their means has become inadequate, insufficient or unavailable.

By the recent enactment of the "Housing Incentive Finance Act," P.L.1992, c.114 (C.55:14K-45 et seq.) the Legislature recognized the severity of this problem and endeavored to provide a stimulus to the housing industry through a program of short-term construction loans for housing development, to be administered by the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency (HMFA). That enactment, however, is limited to the encouragement of housing that is to be developed for sale to individual home owners. However, for the foreseeable future the most pressing need for housing will be among those lower-income groups for whom home ownership remains out of reach, and to whom it is essential that affordable rental housing of a decent standard of habitability be made available.

This bill will provide this group a method of assistance by which the HMFA participates in lending by purchasing up to 50 percent interest in a construction loan — in effect, guaranteeing the loan to that extent by assuming that proportion of the financing risk. The bill would also provide for cooperation between HMFA and the New Jersey Economic Development Authority in the financing of rental housing involved in "mixed-use" projects comprising both commercial and housing development. Provision is made for a mechanism by which a certain proportion of funding newly available to the EDA under the recently enacted "Economic Recovery Act," P.L.1992, c.16 (C.34:1B-7.10 et al.) may be devoted to the development of affordable rental housing.

To provide funding for the program, the bill creates the Rental Housing Incentive Finance Fund, into which may be placed funds

derived from various sources, including (1) funds which may be made available to the fund from companion legislation, Assembly Bill No. 690 of 1994, (2) fees and loan repayments received pursuant to sections 5 of the bill; (3) any income earned upon investment of moneys in the fund by the agency; (4) moneys allocated to the agency under agreements made with the New Jersey Economic Development Authority pursuant to the bill; and (5) any other funds that may be made available to the fund by the agency. On this last item the bill specifically directs HMFA to commit for deposit into the account an amount equal to two times the amount credited to the fund pursuant to the provisions of section 4 of P.L. ..., c. .. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as Assembly Bill No. 690 of 1994), deriving such amounts from funds available from bond redemptions or refundings, federal funds available, available reserves, monies available from the Revolving Housing Development and Demonstration Grant Program fund established pursuant to section 5 of P.L.1967, c.82 (C.52:27D-63), or any monies available from any other program the purpose of which is to promote affordable housing.

202122

1 2

3

4

5 6

7 8

9

10

11

1213

14 15

16

17

18

19

23 24

25

"Rental Housing Incentive Finance Act."

ASSEMBLY HOUSING COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1483

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: OCTOBER 19, 1994

The Assembly Housing Committee favorably reports Assembly Bill No. 1483, by committee substitute.

This substitute provides a financial incentive through a loan guarantee program for the building or rehabilitation of sorely needed rental housing for low and moderate income renters.

Under the administration of the New Jersey Home Mortgage and Finance Agency (HMFA), loan guarantees will be made upon loans given by participating lenders to developers of affordable rental housing. Loan guarantees may be made for up to 30 percent of the remaining principal balance of a loan made to a qualified developer by an institutional lender, either through agreements to purchase loans or to otherwise indemnify the lender, up to an amount not to exceed \$300,000. A loan guarantee may be made only with respect to a housing development of 25 units or fewer, or to a segment not exceeding 25 units of a larger housing development projected or in progress. In addition, a loan guarantee is to include assurances of long-term affordability to low and moderate income tenants for a portion of the units in the development.

For the purpose of funding the program, the substitute establishes the Rental Housing Incentive Guarantee Fund, into which may be placed, depending on demand for the program, (1) moneys allocated to the agency under agreements made with the New Jersey Economic Development Authority (EDA) and other funds that may be made available to the fund by the agency such as funds available from bond redemptions or refundings, federal funds, available reserves, or other monies available from affordable housing programs, up to an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000.

The substitute also authorizes the HMFA to enter into agreements with the New Jersey Economic Development Authority for the purpose of carrying out the housing component of mixed use projects of the EDA consisting of both housing and commercial development.

SENATE COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1483

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MAY 15, 1995

The Senate Community Affairs Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 1483 (ACS).

This bill would provide a financial incentive through a loan guarantee program for the building or rehabilitating of rental housing for low and moderate income renters.

The bill would authorize the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency (HMFA), to guarantee loans given by participating lenders to developers of affordable rental housing. Loan guarantees may be made for up to 30 percent of the remaining principal balance of a loan made to a qualified developer by an institutional lender, either through agreements to purchase loans or to indemnify otherwise the lender, up to an amount not to exceed \$300,000. A loan guarantee may be made only with respect to a housing development of 25 or fewer units, or to a segment not exceeding 25 units of a larger housing development projected or in progress. In addition, a loan guarantee must include assurances of long-term affordability to low and moderate income tenants for a portion of the units in the development.

For the purpose of funding the program, the bill would establish the Rental Housing Incentive Guarantee Fund, into which may be placed, depending on demand for the program, moneys allocated to the agency under agreements made with the New Jersey Economic Development Authority (EDA) and other funds that may be made available to the fund by the agency, such as funds available from bond redemptions or refundings, federal funds, available reserves, or other monies available from affordable housing programs, up to an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000.

The bill would also authorize the HMFA to enter into agreements with the New Jersey Economic Development Authority for the purpose of carrying out the housing component of mixed use projects of the EDA consisting of both housing and commercial development.

SENATE BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 1483

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: NOVEMBER 27, 1995

The Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 1483 (ACS).

Assembly Bill No. 1483 (ACS) provides financial incentives through a loan guarantee program for the building or rehabilitating of rental housing for low and moderate income renters.

The bill authorizes the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency (HMFA) to guarantee loans given by participating lenders to developers of affordable rental housing. Loan guarantees may be for up to 30 percent of a principal balance of a loan made to a qualified developer by an institutional lender, either through agreements to purchase loans or to otherwise indemnify the lender, up to an amount not to exceed \$300,000. A loan guarantee may be only for a housing development of 25 or fewer units, or to a segment not exceeding 25 units of a larger housing development projected or in progress. In addition, a loan guarantee must include assurances of long-term affordability to low and moderate income tenants for a portion of the units in the development.

For the purpose of funding the program, the bill establishes the Rental Housing Incentive Guarantee Fund, into which may be placed, depending on demand for the program, moneys allocated to the agency under agreements made with the New Jersey Economic Development Authority (EDA), and other funds that may be made available to the fund by the agency, such as funds available from bond redemptions or refundings, federal funds, available reserves, or other monies available from affordable housing programs, up to an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000.

The bill also authorizes the HMFA to enter into agreements with the New Jersey Economic Development Authority for the purpose of carrying out the housing component of mixed use projects of the EDA consisting of both housing and commercial development.

As reported, this bill is identical to Senate, No. 239 [1R] of 1995 (Kenny/Codey) which was amended and reported by this committee on November 27, 1995.

FISCAL IMPACT

This bill has not been certified as requiring a fiscal note since it will not have an impact on State revenues and expenditures.

ASSEMBLY, No. 1483

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED MARCH 7, 1994

By Assemblymen GAFFNEY and GREEN

AN ACT establishing the Rental Housing Incentive Finance Fund, providing for loan guarantees for developers of affordable rental housing under certain circumstances, supplementing P.L.1983, c.530 (C.55:14K-1 et seq.) and amending P.L.1974, c.80 and P.L.1992, c.16.

BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:

- 1. (New section) This act shall be known and may be cited as the "Rental Housing Incentive Finance Act."
 - 2. (New section) The Legislature hereby finds and declares:
- a. The present depressed condition of the housing industry in this State is both an obstacle to economic recovery and a source of distress to those among our population for whom housing at affordable cost has become inadequate, insufficient or unavailable.
- b. By recent enactment of P.L.1992, c.114 (C.55:14K-45 et seq.) this Legislature recognized the severity of this problem and endeavored to provide a stimulus to the housing industry through a program of loan and loan guarantees for housing development, to be administered by the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency (HMFA).
- c. The aforesaid enactment, however, is limited to the encouragement of housing that is to be developed for sale to individual home owners; whereas for the foreseeable future the most pressing need for housing will be among those lower-income groups for whom home ownership remains out of reach, and to whom it is essential that affordable rental housing of a decent standard of habitability be made available.
- d. The Assembly Task Force on HMFA Operations, which issued its general recommendations on January 27, 1993, recommended that additional resources be allocated towards significantly increasing rental housing production.
- e. It is, therefore, the intention of this act to make available, under administration of the HMFA, loan guarantees to developers of rental housing upon terms that include assurances of long-term affordability to low and moderate income renters of a significant proportion of the dwelling units thus developed.
- f. It is the further intention of this act, to direct a portion of the funding provided to the New Jersey Economic Development Authority (NJEDA) under the "Economic Recovery Act" (P.L.1992, c.16, C.34:1B-7.10 et seq.) and a portion of the funds made available to the Neighborhood Preservation Nonlapsing Revolving Fund under the provisions of P.L. ..., c. , (C.)

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

1 (now pending before the Legislature as Assembly Bill No. 690 of 2 1994) to the development of affordable rental housing.

3. (New section) As used in this act:

"Agency" means the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency.

"Construction costs" means all expenditures made or incurred by a qualified housing developer, inclusive of reasonable pre-construction costs, prior to the obtaining of permanent financing on a completed housing development.

"Construction loan" means a loan made to a qualified developer for the financing of construction costs.

"Development" means development within the meaning of the "Municipal Land Use Law," P.L.1975, c.291 (C.40:55D-1 et seq.).

"Fund" means the Rental Housing Incentive Finance Fund established pursuant to section 4 of this act.

"Housing developer" means any person, firm, corporation or association of persons that has undertaken or proposes to undertake a housing development.

"Housing development" means development undertaken for the purpose of creating one or more residential units, whether detached or attached or in the form of multiple dwellings, for occupancy under rental tenure by persons who shall occupy such units as their usual and permanent residence, and together with any structures or facilities appurtenant or ancillary thereto.

"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 this State, or any insurance company or any mortgage banking firm or mortgage banking corporation authorized to transact business in this State.

"Loan guarantee" means an agreement by the agency to guarantee up to 50% of the remaining principal balance of a loan made to a qualified developer by an institutional lender, either through agreements to purchase loans or to otherwise indemnify the lender.

"Permanent financing" means long-term financing secured by a qualified housing developer through an institutional lender, and may include construction costs and costs associated with developing, constructing, and managing a housing development.

Pre-construction costs" means the amount approved by the agency as an appropriate expenditure that may be incurred prior to the obtaining of permanent financing on a completed housing development, exclusive of the actual costs of construction and preparatory and ancillary to actual construction, and may include, without limitation: (1) payments for options, deposits or contracts to purchase properties on the proposed housing development site; (2) legal and organizational expenses, including attorneys' fees, and salaries, office rent and other incidental expenses for a project manager and office staff; (3) fees for preliminary feasibility studies, planning advances, borings, surveys, engineering and architectural work, and fees for the services of architects, engineers, planners and attorneys in connection therewith; (4) expenses for tenant surveys and market analyses; and (5) such other expenses as the agency may deem

necessary and appropriate to effectuate the purposes of this act.

"Qualified housing developer" means a housing developer who has qualified for a loan guarantee pursuant to section 5 of this act.

"Qualified housing development" means a housing development for which a loan guarantee may be made pursuant to section 5 of this act.

- 4. (New section) a. There is hereby established in the agency the Rental Housing Incentive Finance Fund, which shall be continuing and nonlapsing, for the purpose of funding loan guarantees authorized pursuant to this act. Moneys in the fund not immediately required for payment or liquid reserves may be invested and reinvested by the agency in the same manner in which other agency funds may be invested.
- b. There shall be paid into the fund: (1) proceeds transferred to the fund pursuant to section 4 of P.L. ..., c. .. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as Assembly, No. 690 of 1994); (2) fees and loan repayments received pursuant to sections 5 of this act; (3) any income earned upon investment of moneys in the fund by the agency pursuant to subsection a. of this section; (4) moneys allocated to the agency under agreements made with the New Jersey Economic Development Authority pursuant to section 9 of this act; and (5) any other funds that may be made available to the fund by the agency; specifically, the agency shall commit for deposit into the account an amount equal to two times the amount credited to the fund pursuant to the provisions of section 4 of P.L. ..., c. .. (C.)(now pending before the Legislature as Assembly Bill No. 690 of 1994), deriving such amounts from funds available from bond redemptions or refundings, federal funds available, available reserves, monies available from the Housing Development and Demonstration Grant Revolving Program fund established pursuant to section 5 of P.L.1967, c.82 (C.52:27D-63), or any monies available from any other program the purpose of which is to promote affordable housing.
- c. Moneys in the fund shall be used exclusively for (1) making payments in fulfillment of the terms of loan guarantees entered into pursuant to section 5 of this act; and (2) defraying the administrative costs of the agency in carrying out the purposes and provisions of this act.
- 5. (New section) a. The agency is hereby authorized to contract with institutional lenders to guarantee on behalf of a housing developer the repayment of up to 50 percent of the full principal balance of a loan outstanding at the time of any default, if (1) the loan was made for construction costs or to provide permanent financing as defined in section 3 of this act; (2) the housing developer and the housing development with respect to which the loan was made were, at the time when the loan was made, qualified to receive a construction loan pursuant to this section, and (3) the amount of the loan and the terms on which it was made conform substantially to the amount and terms then available to the borrower on such a construction loan; and (4) the regulations of the agency pursuant to subsection c. of this section are complied with.
 - b. The agency shall establish within the fund sufficient

reserves and liquid reserves to provide a sufficient and actuarially sound basis for its pledges contained in any guarantee contract entered into pursuant to subsection a. of this section.

- c. The agency shall adopt rules and regulations governing the issuance of loan guarantees pursuant to this section, including:
- (1) procedures for the submission of requests for such guarantees;
- (2) standards and requirements governing the allocation of guarantees to applicant institutional lenders, and determining the fees to be charged therefor and the manner of payment of those fees;
- (3) restrictions as to the maturities and interest rates of any loan, or the return realized therefrom by the institutional lender, upon which a guarantee is to be issued;
- (4) requirements as to commitments by institutional lenders with respect to loans upon which guarantees may be issued; and
- (5) any other matters related to the duties and the exercise of the powers of the agency under this section.
- d. A loan guarantee may be made only with respect to a housing development for which (1) contractual guarantees exist that it will be an inclusionary development within the meaning of subsection f. of section 4 of P.L.1985, c.222 (C.52:27D-304) and (2) controls to assure continued affordability of a specified proportion, which shall not be less than 30 percent, of the dwelling units in the development which have been established pursuant to subsection f. of section 21 of P.L.1985, c.222 (C.52:27D-321).
- e. A loan guarantee may be made only to a housing developer who has qualified therefor by demonstrating to the satisfaction of the agency that the housing developer has the ability to develop, construct, complete and manage the housing development in which he is engaged or proposes to engage.
- f. A loan guarantee may be made only with respect to a housing development of 100 units or fewer, or to a segment not exceeding 100 units of a larger housing development projected or in progress.
- g. A loan guarantee with respect to any housing development may be made only when it has been demonstrated to the satisfaction of the agency that, with respect to the size, location, potential rental market for units in that development, the proposed marketing policy and projected rental revenue to the housing developer, and other pertinent economic factors indicate an economic viability sufficient to qualify that development for such a loan guarantee within the terms and purposes of this act. Aside from this, no constraints may be placed upon the marketing or pricing policy of a qualified housing developer as a condition of a loan guarantee, except as provided in subsection b. of this section.
- h. Every loan subject to a loan guarantee made pursuant to this section shall be secured by a first lien upon the real property concerned in the development, or segment thereof, with respect to which the loan is made and such other collateral as the agency may consider necessary to secure the interests of the fund in accordance with the provisions and purposes of this act.

The agency may, if it deems necessary, require the loan to be secured by a personal loan guarantee by the developer or by a lien upon other real property contained in a development not included in the segment with respect to which the loan is made, or upon any other real property, or interest therein, belonging to the qualified housing developer to whom the loan is made; provided. however, that no personal loan guarantee shall be required of any agent or officer of a nonprofit housing developer.

7

- i. A loan guarantee made pursuant to this section shall exceed 80 percent of the capitalized value of the total annual projected rental income of the development, or segment therein, as estimated to the satisfaction of the agency at the time when the loan is issued.
- j. None of the restrictions or conditions attached to the issuance of an "eligible loan," and the qualifications of a "housing sponsor" to whom, or the characteristics of a "housing project," for which, such a loan may be made, as those terms are defined and used in P.L.1983, c.530 (C.55:14K-1 et seq.), shall apply to any qualified housing development, qualified housing developer or loan guaranteed pursuant to the terms of this act.
- 6. (New section) For the purpose of carrying out the housing component of mixed use projects of the New Jersey Economic Development Authority consisting of both housing and commercial development, the agency may enter into agreements with that authority and receive funds out of the EDA Partnership Community Development Program Fund established by section 7 of P.L., c. (C.) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill) to be used for any of the purposes authorized by this act and specified in the agreement between the agency and the Economic Development Authority.
- 7. (New section) The New Jersey Economic Development Authority shall establish a special non-lapsing revolving fund to be known as the EDA Partnership Community Development Program Fund, which shall be credited with (1) such amount from the Economic Recovery Fund established pursuant to P.L.1992, c.16 (C.34:1B-7.10 et al.) as the authority determines to be necessary, within the limits of funding available from that fund, based upon executed agreements between the authority and the Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency concerning mixed-use housing and commercial developments pursuant to section 3 of P.L.1974, c.80 (C.34:1B-3); (2) any moneys that shall be received in repayment of loans pursuant to the terms of P.L. , c. (C.) (now pending in the Legislature as this bill); and (3) other moneys of the authority, including but not limited to
- by the authority, that the authority determines to deposit therein.

 8. Section 3 of P.L.1974, c.80 (C.34:1B-3) is amended to read as follows:

moneys available from other business loan programs administered

- 3. As used in this act, unless a different meaning clearly appears from the context:
- a. "Authority" means the New Jersey Economic Development Authority, created by section 4 of this act.
- b. "Bonds" means bonds or other obligations issued by the authority pursuant to this act or "Economic Recovery Bonds or

1 Notes" issued pursuant to P.L.1992, c.16 (C.34:1B-7.10 of al.).

2

4

5 6

7

8

9

10

11 12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

2526

27

28

29

30

31

32 33

34

35

36 37

38

39

40 41

42

43 44

45

46

47

48

49

50 51

52

53

54

- "Cost" means the cost of the acquisition, construction. reconstruction, repair, alteration, improvement and extension of any building, structure, facility including water transmission facilities, or other improvement; the cost of machinery and equipment; the cost of acquisition, construction, reconstruction, repair, alteration, improvement and extension of energy saving improvements or pollution control devices, equipment or rights-in-lands, facilities; the cost of lands, privileges, agreements, franchises, utility extensions, disposal facilities, access roads and site development deemed by the authority to be necessary or useful and convenient for any project or in connection therewith; discount on bonds; cost of issuance of bonds; engineering and inspection costs; costs of financial, legal, professional and other estimates and advice; organization, administrative, insurance, operating and other expenses of the authority or any person prior to and during any acquisition or construction, and all such expenses as may be necessary or incident to the financing, acquisition, construction or completion of any project or part thereof, and also such provision for reserves for payment or security of principal of or interest on bonds during or after such acquisition or construction as the authority may determine.
 - d. "County" means any county of any class.
 - e. "Development property" means any real or personal property, interest therein, improvements thereon, appurtenances thereto and air or other rights in connection therewith, including land, buildings, plants, structures, systems, works, machinery and equipment acquired or to be acquired by purchase, gift or otherwise by the authority within an urban growth zone.
 - f. "Person" means any person, including individuals, firms, partnerships, associations, societies, trusts, public or private corporations, or other legal entities, including public or governmental bodies, as well as natural persons. "Person" shall include the plural as well as the singular.
 - "Pollution control project" means any device, equipment, improvement, structure or facility, or any land and any building, facility or other improvement thereon, or any structure, combination thereof, whether or not in existence or under construction, or the refinancing thereof in order to facilitate improvements or additions thereto or upgrading thereof, and all real and personal property deemed necessary thereto, having to do with or the end purpose of which is the control, abatement or prevention of land, sewer, water, air, noise or general environmental pollution, including, but not limited to, any air pollution control facility, noise abatement facility, water management facility, thermal pollution control facility, radiation contamination control facility, wastewater collection system, wastewater treatment works, sewage treatment works system, sewage treatment system or solid waste disposal facility or site; provided that the authority shall have received from the Commissioner of the State Department of Environmental Protection or his duly authorized representative a certificate stating the opinion that, based upon information, facts and

1 circumstances available to the State Depart

- 2 Environmental Protection and any other pertinent data,
- 3 pollution control facilities do not conflict with, overla
- 4 duplicate any other planned or existing pollution control facilia
- 5 undertaken or planned by another public agency or authorit,
- 6 within any political subdivision, and (2) that such facilities, as
- designed, will be a pollution control project as defined in this act
- 8 and are in furtherance of the purpose of abating or controlling
- 9 pollution.

10

11 12

13

14

15 16

17

18

19

2021

2223

24

25

2627

28

29

30

31

32

33

34

35

36

37

38

39

40

41

42

43

44 45

46 47

48

49 50

51

52

53

54

h. "Project" means: (1) (a) acquisition, construction, reconstruction, repair, alteration, improvement and extension of any building, structure, facility, including water transmission facilities or other improvement, whether or not in existence or under construction, (b) purchase and installation of equipment and machinery, (c) acquisition and improvement of real estate and the extension or provision of utilities, access roads and other appurtenant facilities; and (2) (a) the acquisition, financing, or refinancing of inventory, raw materials, supplies, work in process, or stock in trade, or (b) the financing, refinancing or consolidation of secured or unsecured debt, borrowings, or obligations, or (c) the provision of financing for any other expense incurred in the ordinary course of business; all of which are to be used or occupied by any person in any enterprise promoting either for the manufacturing, processing or employment, assembly of materials or products, or for research or office purposes, including, but not limited to, medical and other professional facilities, or for industrial, recreational, hotel or motel facilities, public utility and warehousing, or commercial and service purposes, including, but not limited to, retail outlets, retail shopping centers, restaurant and retail food outlets, and any and all other employment promoting enterprises, including, but not limited to, motion picture and television studios and facilities and commercial fishing facilities. commercial facilities for recreational fishermen, fishing vessels, aquaculture facilities and marketing facilities for fish and fish products and (d) acquisition of an equity interest in, including capital stock of, any corporation; or any combination of the above, which the authority determines will: (i) tend to maintain or provide gainful employment opportunities within and for the people of the State, or (ii) aid, assist and encourage the economic development or redevelopment of any political subdivision of the State, or (iii) maintain or increase the tax base of the State or of any political subdivision of the State, or (iv) maintain or diversify and expand employment promoting enterprises within the State; and (3) the cost of acquisition, construction, reconstruction, repair, alteration, improvement and extension of an energy saving improvement or pollution control project which the authority determines will tend to reduce the consumption in a building devoted to industrial or commercial purposes, or in an office building, of nonrenewable sources of energy or to reduce, abate or prevent environmental pollution within the State; and (4) the acquisition, construction, reconstruction, repair, alteration, improvement, extension, development, financing or refinancing of infrastructure and transportation facilities or improvements

1 related to economic development and of cultural, recreational 2 and tourism facilities or improvements related to economic 3 development and of capital facilities for primary and secondary 4 schools and of mixed use projects consisting of housing and 5 commercial developn:ent. Project may also include: 6 reimbursement to any person for costs in connection with any 7 project, or the refinancing of any project or portion thereof, if 8 determined by the authority as necessary and in the public 9 interest to maintain employment and the tax base of any political 10 subdivision and will facilitate improvements thereto or the 11 completion thereof, and (ii) development property and any 12 construction, reconstruction, improvement, alteration, equipment 13 or maintenance or repair, or planning and designing in connection 14 therewith. For the purpose of carrying out mixed use projects 15 consisting of both housing and commercial development, the authority may enter into agreements with the New Jersey 16 17 Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency for the financing of any 18 such project in accordance with the provisions of P.L. , c. 19) (now pending before the Legislature as this bill), and for 20 that purpose shall allocate to the New Jersey Housing and 21Finance Agency, under such agreements, funding available 22 pursuant to subsection g. of section 4 of P.L.1992, c.16 23 (C.34:1B-7.13).

i. "Revenues" means receipts, fees, rentals or other payments to be received on account of lease, mortgage, conditional sale, or sale, and payments and any other income derived from the lease, sale or other disposition of a project, moneys in such reserve and insurance funds or accounts or other funds and accounts, and income from the investment thereof, established in connection with the issuance of bonds or notes for a project or projects, and fees, charges or other moneys to be received by the authority in respect of projects and contracts with persons.

24

25

26

27

28

29

30

31

32

33 34

35

36 37

38 39

40

41

42

43

44

45

46

47

48

49 50

5152

53

54

- j. "Resolution" means any resolution adopted or trust agreement executed by the authority, pursuant to which bonds of the authority are authorized to be issued.
- "Energy saving improvement" means the construction, purchase and installation in a building devoted to industrial or commercial purposes of any of the following, designed to reduce the amount of energy from nonrenewable sources needed for heating and cooling that building: insulation, replacement burners, replacement high efficiency heating and air conditioning units, including modular boilers and furnaces, water heaters, central air conditioners with or without heat recovery to make hot water for industrial or commercial purposes or in office buildings, and any solar heating or cooling system improvement, including any system which captures solar radiation to heat a fluid which passes over or through the collector element of that system and then transfers that fluid to a point within the system where the heat is withdrawn from the fluid for direct usage or storage. These systems shall include, but not necessarily be limited to, systems incorporating flat plate, evacuated tube or focusing solar collectors.

The foregoing list shall not be construed to be exhaustive, and shall not serve to exclude other improvements consistent with the