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CHAPTER 574

H.P. 612 - L.D. 872

An Act to Amend the Maine Housing Authorities Act and the Affordable Housing Partnership Act of 1989

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 30-A MRSA §4702, sub-\$10, ¶A, as amended by PL 1989, c. 104, Pt. C, §§8 and 10, is further amended to read:

A. An interest-bearing obligation secured by a mortgage constituting a first lien on single-family or multiunit residential housing, including any mortgage loan made for the purpose of acquiring, developing, constructing or reconstructing single-family or multi-unit residential housing;

Sec. 2. 30-A MRSA §4723, sub-§2, ¶E, as amended by PL 1989, c. 104, Pt. C, §§8 and 10, is further amended to read:

E. The director is a full-time employee of the authority, but may receive fees or honoraria for services provided to others not in conflict with full-time duties and not performed during time for which the director is receiving compensation from the Maine State Housing Authority. In addition to any authorized compensation, the director is entitled to any employee benefits that are available to other employees of the Maine State Housing Authority, including, but not limited to, authority contributions to any retirement plan, insurance plan, deferred compensation plan or other similar benefits. Each commissioner and advisory board member shall be compensated is entitled to compensation according to the provisions of Title 5, chapter 379 except notwithstanding Title 5, section 12003-A, subsection 4, authorized expenses incurred by a state employee, or designee of that state employee, serving in an ex officio capacity as a commissioner must be paid from the budget of the authority.

Sec. 3. 30-A MRSA §4907, sub-§1, as amended by PL 1989, c.914, §6, is further amended to read:

1. Limitations on amount of outstanding principal. The Maine State Housing Authority may not at any time have an aggregate principal amount outstanding, in excess of \$985,000,000 \$1,050,000,000 of mortgage purchase bonds secured by the Housing Reserve Fund or a Capital Reserve. Fund to which section 4906, subsection 3, paragraph A applies. Mortgage purchase bonds of the Maine State Housing Authority secured by capital reserve funds to which section 4906, subsection 3, paragraph A does not apply, bond or mortgage insur-

ance, direct or indirect contract with the United States, purchase or repurchase agreement of guaranty with a banking or other financial organization or other credit arrangements securing the bonds may be issued up to \$100,000,000 per calendar year in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$300,000,000.

Sec. 4. 30-A MRSA \$5032, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 601, Pt. B, **\$4**, is amended to read:

§5032. Use of money

Money provided to municipalities under this subchapter shall <u>must</u> be in the form of low-interest loans. Money provided to nonprofit housing corporations may be in the form of grants, low-interest loans or no-interest loans. Funds available under this subchapter shall <u>must</u> be used to acquire or preserve land for affordable housing for the homeless and <u>lower lower-income</u> and moderate-income households <u>including mortgageable predevelopment costs</u>. Funds may be used to make minor capital improvements to land acquired under this chapter to facilitate its use for housing.

Sec. 5. 30-A MRSA §5035, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1989, c. 601, Pt. B, §4, is amended to read:

3. Application of fund. The state authority shall apply money in the fund to finance the acquisition of land or interests in land, including mortgageable predevelopment costs, in accordance with this chapter and chapter 201, subchapters III-A and XI, and to finance minor capital improvements on acquired lands.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 575

H.P. 216 - L.D. 307

An Act to Amend the School Bus Inspection Laws

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 29 MRSA §2017, as amended by PL 1979, c. 691, §22, is further amended to read:

§2017. School bus inspection

Notwithstanding chapter 22, every school bus as defined in section 2011 shall must be submitted to an official inspection station designated by the Chief of the State Police as a school bus inspection station; during the months of August and February of each year for the purpose of complying with this chapter concerning adjustment and sufficiency of the required equipment. In addition, twice during the school year, between September 1st and November 30th and between March 1st and