## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 2387 Session of 2024

INTRODUCED BY MARCELL, PICKETT, GROVE, MERCURI AND GILLEN, JUNE 5, 2024

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, JUNE 5, 2024

## AN ACT

Amending the act of December 3, 1959 (P.L.1688, No.621), entitled "An act to promote the health, safety and welfare of 2 the people of the Commonwealth by broadening the market for 3 housing for persons and families of low and moderate income 4 and alleviating shortages thereof, and by assisting in the 5 provision of housing for elderly persons through the creation 6 of the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency as a public corporation and government instrumentality; providing for the 7 8 organization, membership and administration of the agency, 9 prescribing its general powers and duties and the manner in 10 which its funds are kept and audited, empowering the agency 11 to make housing loans to qualified mortgagors upon the 12 security of insured and uninsured mortgages, defining 13 qualified mortgagors and providing for priorities among 14 15 tenants in certain instances, prescribing interest rates and other terms of housing loans, permitting the agency to 16 acquire real or personal property, permitting the agency to 17 make agreements with financial institutions and Federal 18 agencies, providing for the purchase by persons of low and 19 moderate income of housing units, and approving the sale of 20 housing units, permitting the agency to sell housing loans, 21 providing for the promulgation of regulations and forms by 22 23 the agency, prescribing penalties for furnishing false information, empowering the agency to borrow money upon its 24 own credit by the issuance and sale of bonds and notes and by 25 giving security therefor, permitting the refunding, redemption and purchase of such obligations by the agency, prescribing remedies of holders of such bonds and notes, 26 27 28 29 exempting bonds and notes of the agency, the income 30 therefrom, and the income and revenues of the agency from 31 taxation, except transfer, death and gift taxes; making such bonds and notes legal investments for certain purposes; and 32 indicating how the act shall become effective," in the 33 agency, further providing for agency audits and reports. 34

- 1 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- 2 hereby enacts as follows:
- 3 Section 1. Section 207 of the act of December 3, 1959
- 4 (P.L.1688, No.621), known as the Housing Finance Agency Law, is
- 5 amended to read:
- 6 Section 207. Agency Audits and Reports. -- The accounts and
- 7 books of the agency, including its receipts, disbursements,
- 8 contracts, mortgages, investments and other matters relating to
- 9 its finances, operations and affairs, shall be examined and
- 10 audited [from time to time] by June 30, 2025, and each June 30
- 11 <u>thereafter</u> by the Auditor General as provided in The Fiscal
- 12 Code. Within sixty days after the end of each fiscal year of the
- 13 agency, [or as soon thereafter as practical,] the agency shall
- 14 file an annual financial statement consisting [at least] of a
- 15 balance sheet, profit-and-loss statement and general report of
- 16 operations with the Governor, the Auditor General [and the
- 17 General Assembly.], the chairperson and minority chairperson of
- 18 the Appropriations Committee of the Senate and the chairperson
- 19 and minority chairperson of the Appropriations Committee of the
- 20 <u>House of Representatives.</u>
- 21 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.