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TITLE 5. LOCAL AGENCIES [50001 - 57607] (Title 5 added by Stats. 1949, Ch. 81.)

DIVISION 2. CITIES, COUNTIES, AND OTHER AGENCIES [53000 - 55821] (Division 2 added by Stats. 1949, Ch. 81.)

PART 1. POWERS AND DUTIES COMMON TO CITIES, COUNTIES, AND OTHER AGENCIES [53000 - 54999.7] (Part 1 added by Stats. 1949, Ch. 81.)

CHAPTER 6.3. Employee Rental Housing [54700.1 - 54702.15] (Heading of Chapter 6.3 renumbered from Chapter 6.4 by Stats. 1984, Ch. 144, Sec. 148.)

ARTICLE 2. Powers and Procedures [54701.1 - 54701.13] (Article 2 added by Stats. 1981, Ch. 1092, Sec. 1.)

[54701.1.](#) A local agency may construct or cause to be constructed rental housing for employees.

(Added by Stats. 1981, Ch. 1092, Sec. 1.)

[54701.2.](#) A local agency may issue bonds pursuant to this chapter for the purpose of financing the construction of rental housing for employees and for the purpose of funding or refunding previously issued bonds.

(Added by Stats. 1981, Ch. 1092, Sec. 1.)

[54701.3.](#) Rental and lease revenues derived from rental housing for employees shall be the sole revenues of the local agency pledged for the repayment of bonds issued pursuant to this chapter. A local agency may appropriate funds from whatever source derived to the repayment of bonds issued pursuant to this chapter.

(Added by Stats. 1981, Ch. 1092, Sec. 1.)

[54701.4.](#) A local agency may retain engineers, architects, accountants, financial consultants, bond counsel, or other services as may be necessary in the judgment of the legislative body for the construction or financing of construction of rental housing for employees.

(Added by Stats. 1981, Ch. 1092, Sec. 1.)

[54701.5.](#) In addition to all other powers granted by this chapter, a local agency may do all things necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

(Added by Stats. 1981, Ch. 1092, Sec. 1.)

[54701.6.](#) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the legislative body may award contracts for the construction of housing for employees by negotiation or following the receipt of competitive bids after notice inviting such bids.

(Added by Stats. 1981, Ch. 1092, Sec. 1.)

[54701.7.](#) Construction of housing for employees pursuant to this chapter shall be exempt from the provisions of Section 30213 of the Public Resources Code.

(Added by Stats. 1981, Ch. 1092, Sec. 1.)

[54701.8.](#) A local agency may accept financial or other assistance from any public or private source, and may expend any funds so accepted for any of the purposes of this chapter.

(Added by Stats. 1981, Ch. 1092, Sec. 1.)

54701.9. Contributions for any of the purposes of this chapter by a city, the state or any political subdivision thereof, a special district, including a school district, or any other local governmental entity, are hereby declared to be for a proper public purpose.

(Added by Stats. 1981, Ch. 1092, Sec. 1.)

54701.10. Bonds issued under the provisions of this chapter shall not be deemed to constitute a debt or liability of the local agency for which is pledged the faith and credit of the local agency.

(Added by Stats. 1981, Ch. 1092, Sec. 1.)

54701.11. All construction shall be undertaken or completed subject to the rules and regulations of the local agency. A local agency may acquire by deed, purchase, lease, contract, gift, devise, or otherwise any real or personal property, structures, rights, rights-of-way, franchises, easements, and other interests in property necessary or convenient for the construction or the financing of construction of rental housing for employees, upon such terms and conditions as it deems advisable, and may lease, sell, or dispose of the same in such manner as may be necessary or desirable to carry out the objectives and purposes of this chapter.

(Added by Stats. 1981, Ch. 1092, Sec. 1.)

54701.12. A local agency shall require that contractors and subcontractors engaged in construction financed under this chapter shall provide equal opportunity for employment, without discrimination as to any characteristic listed or defined in Section 12926 or 12926.1. All contracts and subcontracts for construction financed under this chapter shall be let without discrimination as to any of those characteristics.

(Amended by Stats. 2008, Ch. 682, Sec. 2. Effective January 1, 2009.)

54701.13. Not less than 20 percent of the total number of units of housing for rent which are financed, or for which financing has been extended or committed, pursuant to this chapter from the proceeds of each bond issuance of the city or county, shall be for occupancy on a priority basis by lower income households, as defined in Section 50079.5 of the Health and Safety Code, at affordable rents, as defined in Section 50053 of the Health and Safety Code.

(Added by Stats. 1981, Ch. 1092, Sec. 1.)