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GOV. MSG. NO. 1309

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
KE KE'ENA O KE KIA'ĀINA

June 25, 2025

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate,
and Members of the Senate
Thirty-Third State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Nadine Nakamura
Speaker, and Members of the
House of Representatives
Thirty-Third State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 431
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Aloha President Kouchi, Speaker Nakamura, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on June 25, 2025, the following bill was signed into law:

H.B. NO. 960, H.D. 1, S.D. 1,
C.D. 1

RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.
ACT 207

Mahalo,

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Josh Green, M.D.
Governor, State of Hawai'i

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the State has been
2 struggling to expedite capital advancement projects that
3 increase harbor resilience and operational efficiency. The
4 department of transportation is authorized to enter into capital
5 advancement contracts with private parties for any public
6 improvement to, or construction of, a state harbor facility if
7 the director of transportation determines that the contract
8 promotes the best interest of the State and meets certain
9 requirements.

10 The legislature further finds that the fiscal caps on
11 capital advancement projects limit the scope, type of work, and
12 number of projects that can be executed under such contracts.

13 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to:

14 (1) Increase the maximum value of capital advancement
15 contracts that may be executed by the department of
16 transportation without legislative approval;



1 (2) Increase the minimum value of capital advancement
2 contracts requirement for the department of
3 transportation to obtain legislative approval through
4 concurrent resolution;

5 (3) Increase the total aggregate value of capital
6 advancement contracts that the department of
7 transportation may enter into in a fiscal year; and

8 (4) Establish certain reporting requirements related to
9 capital advancement contracts.

10 SECTION 2. Section 266-19.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
11 amended by amending subsection (d) to read as follows:

12 "(d) The department of transportation may execute capital
13 advancement contracts pursuant to subsection (a) with a total
14 contract value of [~~\$2,000,000~~] \$5,000,000 or less without
15 legislative approval. If the total value of a capital
16 advancement contract pursuant to subsection (a) is greater than
17 [~~\$2,000,000~~] \$5,000,000 then the department of transportation
18 shall obtain legislative approval in the form of the adoption of
19 a concurrent resolution affirming the purpose, project, and
20 contract issuance [~~prior to~~] before executing the capital
21 advancement contract. The total aggregate value of all capital



1 advancement contracts entered into by the department pursuant to
2 this section shall not exceed [~~\$5,000,000~~] \$30,000,000 in any
3 ~~[calendar]~~ fiscal year. The department shall submit a report to
4 the legislature of all executed capital advancement contracts
5 for the previous twelve-month period from July 1 to June 30 no
6 later than twenty days prior to the convening of each regular
7 session."

8 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
9 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

10 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2025.



H.B. NO. 960
H.D. 1
S.D. 1
C.D. 1

APPROVED this 25th day of June , 2025

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

HB No. 960, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: April 30, 2025
Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2025.



Nadine K. Nakamura
Speaker
House of Representatives





Brian L. Takeshita
Chief Clerk
House of Representatives

THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI‘I

Date: April 30, 2025
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate
of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawai‘i, Regular Session of 2025.


President of the Senate


Clerk of the Senate