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EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS KE KE'ENA O KE KIA'ĀINA

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The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President, and Members of
the Senate
Thirty-Third State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813-2425

✓ The Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura
Speaker, and Members of the
House of Representatives
Thirty-Third State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 431
415 South Beretania Street
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Aloha Senate President Kouchi, Speaker Nakamura, and Members of the Legislature:

Transmitted herewith are proposed changes to the Fiscal Biennium (FB) 2025–27 Executive Biennium Budget for the operating and capital improvement program (CIP) budget requests, as applicable, for the Departments of Agriculture; Accounting and General Services; Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; Budget and Finance; Defense; Education; Hawaiian Home Lands; Human Resources Development; Health; Law Enforcement; Labor and Industrial Relations; Land and Natural Resources; Taxation; and Transportation; and the University of Hawai'i.

Your favorable consideration would be appreciated for the following budget requests to amend the FB 2025–27 Executive Biennium Budget:

Adjustments to the Operating Budget Request

Department of Agriculture

Agricultural Resource Management (AGR 141/HA)

- Reduce \$422,604 in revolving funds from Irrigation System Revolving Fund and add \$211,261 in general funds for each fiscal year and convert the means of financing from revolving funds to general funds for 7.50 permanent positions.

- Add \$2,000,000 in general funds for FY26 for the Irrigation System Revolving Fund.
- Add \$2,000,000 in revolving funds for each fiscal year for the Irrigation System Revolving Fund.

Department of Accounting and General Services

Archives – Records Management (AGS 111/DA)

- Add 1.00 permanent position and \$5,100,000 in general funds for FY 26 and \$4,800,000 in general funds for FY 27 to administer a statewide video recording and archival program pursuant to Act 125, Session Laws of Hawai'i (SLH) 2023, and Act 12, SLH 2024.

Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism

Office of International Affairs (BED 101/SM)

- Add \$2,000,000 in general funds for each fiscal year for the East-West Center.

Hawai'i Tourism Authority (HTA) – Branding and Marketing (BED 114/BM)

- Add \$3,000,000 in general funds for FY 26 for brand marketing.
- Add \$3,000,000 in general funds for each fiscal year for brand marketing for the Japan market.

Department of Budget and Finance

Employees' Retirement System (BUF 141/FA)

- Add \$1,800,000 in general funds for FY 26 for Pension Administration System for benefit processing.

Department of Defense

Amelioration of Physical Disasters (DEF 110/AA)

- Add 6.00 permanent positions for each fiscal year for the Office of the State Fire Marshal.
- Add 1.00 permanent position and \$100,000 in general funds for each fiscal year for fiscal support.

Department of Education

School Support (EDN 400/MD)

- Add \$4,000,000 in general funds for FY26 for School Lunch Program.

Department of Hawaiian Home Lands

Administration and Operating Support (HHL 625)

- Add \$2,000,000 in general funds for each fiscal year for personal services.

Department of Human Resources Development

Work Force Attraction, Selection, Classification, and Effectiveness (HRD102/RA)

- Add \$750,000 in general funds for FY 26 for Classification & Compensation Study.

Office of Wellness and Resilience (HRD 200/WR)

- Add \$40,804 in general funds for each fiscal year for personal services for the Office of Wellness and Resilience.

Department of Health

Family Health Services (HTH 560/CK)

- Add \$200,000 in general funds for each fiscal year for reproductive health and family planning.

Department of Law Enforcement

Sheriff (LAW 503/SA)

- Change means of financing for 30.00 permanent positions from interdepartmental funds to general funds for each fiscal year for Deputy Sheriffs.

Criminal Investigation Division (LAW 504/CA)

- Add 1.00 permanent special-funded position for each fiscal year for Criminal Investigations Division.
- Add 8.00 permanent positions and \$5,042,937 for FY 26 and \$2,292,014 for FY 27 in general funds for Explosive and Firearm Enforcement Section.

General Administration (LAW 900/AA)

- Add \$1,000,000 in general funds for FY 26 for Fireworks Program.
- Add \$2,000,000 in general funds for FY26 for Firearms and Explosives Lab.

Department of Labor and Industrial Relations

General Administration (LBR 902/AA)

- Add \$720,000 in general funds for each fiscal year for Hawai'i Retirement Savings Program.

Department of Taxation

Compliance (TAX 100/AA)

- Add \$100,000 in general funds for FY 26 to support Tax Review Commission.

Department of Transportation

Daniel K. Inouye International Airport (TRN 102/BC)

- Transfer-out 1.00 permanent position from TRN 102/BC to TRN 301/CC and reduce \$111,349 in special funds for each fiscal year.

General Aviation (TRN 104/BC)

- Add \$3,053,000 in special funds for FY 26 and \$1,093,000 in special funds for FY 27 for aircraft rescue and firefighting.

Moloka'i Airport (TRN 141/BF)

- Transfer-out 1.00 permanent position from TRN 141/BF to TRN 195/BB and reduce \$62,110 in special funds for each fiscal year.

Airports Administration (TRN 195/BB)

- Transfer-in 1.00 permanent position and add \$103,477 in special funds for each fiscal year to redescribe and fund the position transferred from TRN 141/BF.
- Add \$1,020,000 in special funds for each fiscal year for office automation programs and applications as well as cybersecurity services.
- Add \$600,000 in special funds for each fiscal year to monitor and mitigate vulnerability risks to operational systems and respond to cybersecurity issues.
- Add \$600,000 in special funds for FY 26 and \$200,000 in special funds for FY 27 for terminal maps application and wayfinding technology.
- Add \$6,044,600 in special funds for FY 26 and \$4,032,000 in special funds for FY 27 for TSA mandated checkpoints for aviation workers screening.

- Transfer-out 1.00 permanent position to TRN 301/CC and reduce \$74,154 in special funds for each fiscal year.
- Add \$2,020,354 in special funds for FY 26 for the Customs and Border Protection Free Space Agreement.

Honolulu Harbor (TRN 301/CC)

- Transfer-in 3.00 FTE permanent positions from TRN 102/BC, TRN 195/BB, and TRN 511/DD and add \$277,901 in special funds for each fiscal year.
- Add \$350,000 in special funds for each fiscal year for Deputy Sheriffs.

Kahului Harbor (TRN 331/CF)

- Transfer-in 1.00 permanent position from TRN 595/BA and add \$62,110 in special funds for each fiscal year.
- Harbors Administration (TRN 395/CB)
- Add \$1,000,000 in general funds for FY 26 and \$1,500,000 in general funds for FY 27 for statewide Harbors Geographical Information System (GIS).

O'ahu Highways (TRN 501/DC)

- Add 3.00 permanent positions in special funds for each fiscal year for O'ahu Highways.

Hawai'i Highways (TRN 511/DD)

- Transfer-out 1.00 permanent position to TRN 301/CC and reduce \$92,398 in special funds for each fiscal year.

Kaua'i Highways (TRN 561/DG)

- Add \$600,000 in special funds for FY 26 for Kaua'i District operations and maintenance.

- Add \$280,000 in special funds for each fiscal year for traffic signal fiber optic services.

Highways Administration (TRN 595/BA)

- Transfer-out 1.00 permanent position to TRN 331/CF and reduce \$62,110 in special funds for each fiscal year.

Highways Administration (TRN 595/DA)

- Add 0.50 permanent position in special funds for each fiscal year as a housekeeping adjustment.
- Add \$1,941,713 in special funds for FY 26 for highway revenue bonds rebate payment.

Highways Administration (TRN 595/DB)

- Add \$200,000 in special funds for each fiscal year for Traffic Management Center.
- Add \$910,000 in special funds for FY 26 and \$300,000 in special funds for FY 27 for Atom Maintenance Management System.

General Administration (TRN 995/AA)

- Reduce \$375,000 in special funds for FY 27 for sustainable development strategies and establishment of a volunteer youth council.

University of Hawai'i

University of Hawai'i, Mānoa (UOH 100/AA)

- Add \$175,000 in general funds for each fiscal year for the Pamantasan Council.
- Add 2.00 permanent positions and \$480,000 in general funds for each fiscal year for University of Hawai'i Economic Research Organization for economic and policy research.

- Add \$12,800,000 in general funds for each fiscal year for Mānoa Athletics.

University of Hawai'i, Hilo (UOH 210/BD)

- Add \$200,000 in general funds for each fiscal year to support rat lungworm research.
- Add \$300,000 in general funds for each fiscal year for Hilo Athletics.

University of Hawai'i, Community Colleges (UOH 800)

- Add \$175,000 in general funds for each fiscal year for the Pamantasan Council.

University of Hawai'i, Systemwide Support (UOH 900)

- Add 2.00 permanent positions and \$150,000 in general funds for each fiscal year for Peace Program support staff.

Adjustments to the CIP Budget Request

Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism

Office of International Affairs (BED 101/SM)

- Add \$5,000,000 in general obligation (G.O.) bond funds for FY 26 for Plans, Design, Construction, and Equipment for the East-West Center.

Agribusiness Development and Research (BED 170)

- Add \$4,700,000 in G.O. bond funds for FY 26 for State Postharvest Facility Construction, O'ahu.

Department of Defense

Hawai'i Emergency Management Agency (DEF 118/AA)

- Add \$35,000,000 in G.O. bond funds for FY 26 for Plans, Design, Construction, and Land Acquisition for a new Emergency Operations Center to support continued emergency readiness and response throughout the State.

Department of Land and Natural Resources

Ecosystem Protection, Restoration, and Fisheries Management (LNR 401)

- Add \$750,000 in G.O. bond funds for FY 26 to repair the roof and install a photovoltaic system atop the Ānuenue Fisheries Research Center annex.

Native Resources and Fire Protection Program (LNR 402)

- Add \$500,000 in G.O. bond funds for FY 26 to install solar panels and batteries at Waimea Tree Nursery and Base Yard to support the State's clean energy goals.

Natural Area Reserves and Watershed Management (LNR 407)

- Add \$150,000 in G.O. bond funds for FY 26 to install solar panels and batteries in base yards to support the State's clean energy goals.

Your consideration of these requests is appreciated. Should you have any questions regarding these budget requests, please have your staff contact the respective requesting department.

Mahalo,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Josh Green', with a stylized, flowing script.

Josh Green, M.D.

Governor, State of Hawai'i