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## ELEVENTH DAY

Friday, February 6, 2026

The House of Representatives of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2026, convened at 12:02 p.m., with Speaker Nakamura presiding.

The Roll was called showing all members present.

By unanimous consent, reading and approval of the Journal of the House of Representatives of the Ninth and Tenth Days was deferred.

## DEPARTMENTAL COMMUNICATIONS

The following departmental communications (Dept. Com. Nos. 169 through 182) were received by the Clerk and were placed on file:

Dept. Com. No. 169, from the Legislative Reference Bureau, dated December 9, 2025, transmitting the SINE DIE ANOTHER DAY: Should Hawaii's Legislative Sessions Be Longer? Report, pursuant to H.C.R. No. 138, H.D. 1, S.D. 1 (2024).

Dept. Com. No. 170, from the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, dated December 23, 2025, transmitting the Annual Report on the Percentage of Food Purchased for Public Prisons that is Fresh Local Agricultural Products and Local Value-Added, Processed, Agricultural, or Food Products, pursuant to Section 27-8, HRS.

Dept. Com. No. 171, from the Department of Taxation, dated December 23, 2025, transmitting the Earned Income Tax Credit Report for Tax Year 2024, pursuant to Section 235-55.75(f)(4), HRS.

Dept. Com. No. 172, from the Department of Taxation, dated December 23, 2025, transmitting the Electronic Funds Transfer Report for Fiscal Year 2025, pursuant to Section 231-9.9(d), HRS.

Dept. Com. No. 173, from the Department of Taxation, dated December 23, 2025, transmitting the Report on Administratively Created Accounts and Funds, pursuant to Section 37-52.5, HRS.

Dept. Com. No. 174, from the Department of Taxation, dated December 23, 2025, transmitting the Tax Credits Claimed by Hawaii Taxpayers Report for Tax Year 2023, pursuant to Section 231-3.4(a)(3), HRS.

Dept. Com. No. 175, from the Office of Enterprise Technology Services, dated December 23, 2025, transmitting the DHS Systems Modernization Project IV&V Report for November 2025, pursuant to Section 27-43.6, HRS.

Dept. Com. No. 176, from the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization, dated December 23, 2025, transmitting the OahuMPO FY2025 Annual Report, pursuant to Act 132, SLH 2015.

Dept. Com. No. 177, from the Department of Human Resources Development, dated December 24, 2025, transmitting the Annual Report on Administratively Established Accounts and Funds of DHRD FY 2025, pursuant to Section 37-52.5, HRS.

Dept. Com. No. 178, from the University of Hawaii, dated December 24, 2025, transmitting the Report on Data Exposure at the University of Hawaii - Cancer Center, pursuant to Section 487N-4, HRS.

Dept. Com. No. 179, from the Department of Education, dated December 29, 2025, transmitting the Annual Report on Title IX, pursuant to H.C.R. No. 198, SD 1 (2018).

Dept. Com. No. 180, from the Office of the Ombudsman, dated December 24, 2025, transmitting the FY 2025 Annual Report 56, pursuant to Section 96-16, HRS.

Dept. Com. No. 181, from the State Public Charter School Commission, dated December 24, 2025, transmitting the State Public Charter School Commission Annual Report 2024-2025, pursuant to Section 302D-7, HRS.

Dept. Com. No. 182, from the Department of the Attorney General, dated December 24, 2025, transmitting the 2025 Report of the Commission to Promote Uniform Legislation, pursuant to Section 26-7, HRS.

## INTRODUCTIONS

The following introductions were made to the members of the House:

REMARKS DELIVERED: Rep. Woodson  
Rep. Reyes Oda  
Rep. Chun  
Rep. Ichiyama  
Rep. Kila  
Rep. Garcia  
Rep. Evslin  
Rep. Morikawa  
Rep. La Chica  
Rep. Takenouchi  
Rep. Kong

## ORDER OF THE DAY

## REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Representative Kapela, for the Committee on Culture & Arts, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 32-26) recommending that H.B. No. 2118, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Technology and the Committee on Labor.

Representative Kahaloa moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 2118, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Technology and the Committee on Labor, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

REMARKS DELIVERED: Rep. Pierick

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2118, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Technology and the Committee on Labor, with Representative Pierick voting no.

Representative Kapela, for the Committee on Culture & Arts, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 33-26) recommending that H.B. No. 1764, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Education.

Representative Kahaloa moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1764, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Education, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

REMARKS DELIVERED: Rep. Pierick

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1764, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE MUSIC ACCESSIBILITY PILOT PROGRAM," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Education, with Representative Pierick voting no.

Representative Kapela, for the Committee on Culture & Arts, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 34-26) recommending that H.B. No. 1815, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Kahaloa, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1815, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE FOUNDATION ON CULTURE AND THE ARTS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Kapela, for the Committee on Culture & Arts, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 35-26) recommending that H.B. No. 2117, as

amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Kahaloe, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2117, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ARTS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Kapela, for the Committee on Culture & Arts, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 36-26) recommending that H.B. No. 2436, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Education.

Representative Kahaloe moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 2436, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Education, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

REMARKS DELIVERED: Rep. Pierick

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2436, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ARTS INTEGRATION IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Education, with Representative Pierick voting no.

Representative Kapela, for the Committee on Culture & Arts, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 37-26) recommending that H.B. No. 2438, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

On motion by Representative Kahaloe, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2438, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII CULTURAL TRUST," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

Representative Kapela, for the Committee on Culture & Arts, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 38-26) recommending that H.B. No. 2532, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

On motion by Representative Kahaloe, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2532, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN FLAG," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Representative Kapela, for the Committee on Culture & Arts, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 39-26) recommending that H.B. No. 2566, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

On motion by Representative Kahaloe, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2566, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

Representative Chun, for the Committee on Agriculture & Food Systems, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 40-26) recommending that H.B. No. 2573, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

On motion by Representative Kahaloe, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2573, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

Representative Chun, for the Committee on Agriculture & Food Systems, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 41-26) recommending that H.B. No. 1736, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

On motion by Representative Kahaloe, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B.

No. 1736, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ANIMAL CONTROL," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

Representative Chun, for the Committee on Agriculture & Food Systems, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 42-26) recommending that H.B. No. 2425, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Water & Land.

Representative Kahaloe moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 2425, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Water & Land, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

REMARKS DELIVERED: Rep. Amato  
Rep. Cochran  
Rep. Poeopoe  
Rep. Perruso

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2425, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Water & Land, with Representatives Perruso and Poeopoe voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Amato and Cochran voting no.

Representative Tam, for the Committee on Tourism, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 43-26) recommending that H.B. No. 1590, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

Representative Kahaloe moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1590, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

REMARKS DELIVERED: Rep. Garcia  
Rep. Alcos  
Rep. Gedeon  
Rep. Pierick  
Rep. Matsumoto

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1590, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VACATION RENTALS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Alcos, Garcia, Gedeon, and Matsumoto voting aye with reservations, and with Representative Pierick voting no.

Representative Belatti, for the Committee on Public Safety, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 44-26) recommending that H.B. No. 1913, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Health.

On motion by Representative Kahaloe, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1913, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VETERAN MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Health.

Representative Takayama, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 45-26) recommending that H.B. No. 1573, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

On motion by Representative Kahaloe, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1573, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Representative Takayama, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 46-26) recommending that H.B. No. 1542, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Representative Kahaloe moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1542, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

REMARKS DELIVERED: Rep. Pierick

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1542, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMPASSIONATE ACCESS TO MEDICAL CANNABIS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representative Pierick voting aye with reservations.

Representative Takayama, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 47-26) recommending that H.B. No. 1804, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Legislative Management.

On motion by Representative Kahaloe, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1804, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LONG-TERM CARE FINANCING," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Legislative Management.

Representative Takayama, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 48-26) recommending that H.B. No. 1976, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

On motion by Representative Kahaloe, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1976, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DEMENTIA," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

Representative Takayama, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 49-26) recommending that H.B. No. 1704, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

On motion by Representative Kahaloe, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1704, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PSYCHOLOGY INTERJURISDICTIONAL COMPACT," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Representative Takayama, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 50-26) recommending that H.B. No. 1996, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Technology.

On motion by Representative Kahaloe, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1996, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEARING AIDS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Economic Development & Technology.

Representative Takayama, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 51-26) recommending that H.B. No. 1541, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Labor.

Representative Kahaloe moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1541, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Labor, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

REMARKS DELIVERED: Rep. Pierick  
Rep. Garcia  
Rep. Alcos  
Rep. Amato

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1541, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH," passed

Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Labor, with Representatives Alcos, Amato, and Garcia voting aye with reservations, and with Representative Pierick voting no.

Representative Hashem, for the Committee on Water & Land, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 52-26) recommending that H.B. No. 1926, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection.

On motion by Representative Kahaloe, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1926, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RED HILL," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection.

Representative Hashem, for the Committee on Water & Land, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 53-26) recommending that H.B. No. 1703, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Culture & Arts.

On motion by Representative Kahaloe, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1703, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LAND USE," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Culture & Arts.

Representative Hashem, for the Committee on Water & Land, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 54-26) recommending that H.B. No. 1866, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Labor.

Representative Kahaloe moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1866, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Labor, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

REMARKS DELIVERED: Rep. Pierick  
Rep. Alcos  
Rep. Cochran

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1866, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COUNTY LABOR STANDARDS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Labor, with Representatives Alcos and Cochran voting aye with reservations, and with Representative Pierick voting no.

Representative Hashem, for the Committee on Water & Land, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 55-26) recommending that H.B. No. 1710, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Housing.

Representative Kahaloe moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1710, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Housing, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

REMARKS DELIVERED: Rep. Poepoe  
Rep. Cochran  
Rep. Perruso  
Rep. Shimizu

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1710, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Housing, with Representatives Cochran, Perruso, Poepoe, and Shimizu voting aye with reservations.

#### LATE INTRODUCTIONS

The following late introduction was made to the members of the House:

REMARKS DELIVERED: Rep. Ichiyama

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### COMMITTEE REASSIGNMENTS

The following measures were re-referred to committee by the Speaker:

**H.B.**

**Nos.**    **Re-referred to:**

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| 1689 | Jointly to the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection and the Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Finance |
| 2340 | Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Finance   |
| 2442 | Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs  |
| 2619 | Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce  |

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 12:21 p.m., on motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Garcia and carried, the House of Representatives adjourned until noon Monday, February 9, 2026.