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REGULAR SESSION OF 2024

[COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS](#)
Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair
Senator Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, March 27, 2024
TIME: 10:01 AM
PLACE: Conference Room 211 & Videoconference
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

[HB 679, HD1, SD1](#)

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RELATING TO STATE FUNDS.

Appropriates funds to support the State's response to the August 2023 wildfires that affected the County of Maui. Makes an appropriation to the One Ohana Bank Trust Account to compensate victims of the 2023 Maui wildfires. Repeals general obligation bond issuance and appropriation for the Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust Fund. Changes the 2024-2025 general fund appropriation to the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation to general obligation bond funds. Transfers to the general fund the excess balances of various non-general funds from various state departments and agencies. Appropriates moneys. Declares that the appropriations exceed the state general fund expenditure ceiling for 2023-2024. (SD2 Proposed)

HOU, WAM

Copies of the proposed SD 2 are available from the Senate Document Center and on the Legislature's website:
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HB 2610, HD1, SD1

Proposed SD2

(SSCR3092)

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RELATING TO DISASTER RELIEF.

PSM, WAM

Establishes a Disaster Relief Match Special Fund to support the local match requirements of the Federal Emergency Management Agency Maui Wildfires Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for projects that implement mitigation measures to prevent and minimize the impacts of natural hazards affecting the State. Appropriates moneys into the Disaster Relief Match Special Fund. Makes appropriations to support the State's continued response to the August 2023 wildfires that affected the counties of Hawaii and Maui. Declares that the appropriations exceed the state general fund expenditure ceiling for 2024-2025. Effective 7/1/2024. (SD2 Proposed)

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Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz
Chair