



1 positions and a pound (#) sign for temporary full-time  
2 equivalent positions.

3 "Program ID" means the unique identifier for the specific  
4 program and consists of the abbreviation for the office of  
5 Hawaiian affairs (OHA) followed by the organization number for  
6 the program.

7 **PART II. PROGRAM APPROPRIATIONS**

8 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATIONS. The following sums, or so much  
9 thereof as may be sufficient to accomplish the purposes and  
10 programs designated herein, are hereby appropriated or  
11 authorized from the means of financing specified to the office  
12 of Hawaiian affairs for the fiscal biennium beginning  
13 July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The total expenditures  
14 and the number of positions in each fiscal year of the biennium  
15 shall not exceed the sums and the numbers indicated for each  
16 fiscal year, except as provided elsewhere in this Act, or as  
17 provided by general law.



1	Hawaiian Affairs			
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3	1. OHA150 - OFFICE OF THE TRUSTEES			
4			0.00 *	0.00 *
5			0.00 #	0.00 #
6	OPERATING	OHA	0 A	0 A
7			0.00 *	0.00 *
8			0.00 #	0.00 #
9		OHA	0 T	0 T
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11	2. OHA160 - ADMINISTRATION		13.00 *	13.00 *
12			0.00 #	0.00 #
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14	OPERATING	OHA	1,258,454 A	1,296,208 A
15			0.00 *	00.00 *
16			0.00 #	0.00 #
17		OHA	0 T	0 T
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19	3. OHA175 - BENEFICIARY ADVOCACY		0.00 *	0.00 *
20			0.00 #	0.00 #
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22	OPERATING	OHA	3,600,000 A	3,700,000 A
23			0.00 *	0.00 *
24			0.00 #	0.00 #
25		OHA	3,600,000 T	3,700,000 T
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1 SECTION 7. Provided that of the funds appropriated for  
2 beneficiary advocacy (OHA175), the sum of \$715,000 in general  
3 funds and \$715,000 in trust funds for fiscal year 2025-2026 and  
4 \$740,000 in general funds and \$740,000 in trust funds for fiscal  
5 year 2026-2027 shall be expended to provide for educational  
6 improvement programs for Native Hawaiian students; provided  
7 further that programs shall be designed to help Native Hawaiian  
8 students prepare for post-secondary education and economic  
9 stability pursuits to support families and communities.

10 SECTION 8. Provided that of the funds appropriated for  
11 beneficiary advocacy (OHA175), the sum of \$700,000 in general  
12 funds and \$700,000 in trust funds for fiscal year 2025-2026 and  
13 the same sums for fiscal year 2026-2027 shall be expended to  
14 provide for legal services and legal representation to office of  
15 Hawaiian affairs beneficiaries for:

- 16 (1) The assertion and defense of quiet title actions;  
17 (2) Assistance with ahupua'a and kuleana tenant rights,  
18 including rights of access and rights to water;  
19 (3) Land title assistance, including review of title and  
20 genealogy;  
21 (4) Preservation of traditional and customary practices;



- 1 (5) Protection of culturally significant places, including
- 2 iwi kūpuna protections;
- 3 (6) Preservation of Native Hawaiian land trust
- 4 entitlements;
- 5 (7) Home ownership retention strategies for Native
- 6 Hawaiians; and
- 7 (8) Family law-related matters, including adoption, foster
- 8 care, child welfare, incarcerated individuals,
- 9 guardianship, elder care, and similar matters.

10 SECTION 9. Provided that of the funds appropriated for  
11 beneficiary advocacy (OHA175), the sum of \$600,000 in general  
12 funds and \$600,000 in trust funds for fiscal year 2025-2026 and  
13 \$625,000 in general funds and \$625,000 in trust funds for fiscal  
14 year 2026-2027 shall be expended for protections of ‘āina (land  
15 and water), including climate change adaptation and mitigation  
16 strategies and practices.

17 SECTION 10. Provided that of the funds appropriated for  
18 beneficiary advocacy, the sum of \$470,000 in general funds and  
19 \$470,000 in trust funds for fiscal year 2025-2026 and \$495,000  
20 in general funds and \$495,000 in trust funds for fiscal year  
21 2026-2027 shall be expended for cultivating resilient



1 communities through ahupua'a economics (regional economic  
2 development) and workforce readiness.

3 **PART IV. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS AND EFFECTIVE DATE**

4 SECTION 11. Provided that, whenever necessary, the board  
5 of trustees of the office of Hawaiian affairs or the board's  
6 designee may transfer sufficient funds and positions between  
7 programs for operating purposes; provided further that these  
8 transfers shall be consistent with legislative intent; provided  
9 further that the office of Hawaiian affairs shall submit a  
10 report to the legislature of all uses of this authority for the  
11 previous twelve-month period from December 1 to November 30, no  
12 later than twenty days prior to the regular sessions of 2026  
13 and 2027.

14 SECTION 12. If any portion of this Act or its application  
15 to any person, entity, or circumstance is held to be invalid for  
16 any reason, the legislature declares that the remainder of the  
17 Act and each and every other provision thereof shall not be  
18 affected thereby. If any portion of a specific appropriation is  
19 held to be invalid for any reason, the remaining portion shall  
20 be expended to fulfill the objective of the appropriation to the  
21 extent possible.



1           SECTION 13. In the event manifest clerical, typographical,  
2 or other mechanical errors are found in this Act, the board of  
3 trustees of the office of Hawaiian affairs is authorized to  
4 correct these errors. All changes made pursuant to this section  
5 shall be reported to the legislature at its next session.

6           SECTION 14. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



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S.D. 1

**Report Title:**

Office of Hawaiian Affairs Package; Budget

**Description:**

Appropriates moneys to fund the operating expenses of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs for the fiscal biennium beginning on 7/1/2025, and ending on 6/30/2027. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)

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