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**COMMITTEE REFERRALS**

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**NO. 2**  
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Committee Abbreviations:

AGR - Agriculture & Food Systems	HSG - Housing
CAA - Culture & Arts	HSH - Human Services & Homelessness
CPC - Consumer Protection & Commerce	JHA - Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
ECD - Economic Development & Technology	LAB - Labor
EDN - Education	LMG - Legislative Management
EEP - Energy & Environmental Protection	PBS - Public Safety
FIN - Finance	TOU - Tourism
HED - Higher Education	TRN - Transportation
HLT - Health	WAL - Water & Land

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		<b><u>Committee REFERRAL</u></b>
<a href="#">HB423</a>	RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION. Clarifies the process for selecting a certified provider of rehabilitation services. Requires providers to automatically approve vocational rehabilitation services for an injured employee if those services will likely be required for suitable gainful employment.	LAB, CPC
<a href="#">HB424</a>	RELATING TO SCHOOL MEALS. Beginning with the 2025-2026 school year, requires the Department of Education to provide free breakfast and lunch to students enrolled in a public school who meet certain requirements. Appropriates funds.	EDN, FIN
<a href="#">HB425</a>	RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT. Establishes a paid family leave program for state and county employees. Authorizes a qualifying employee to take up to 12 weeks of paid leave for the birth or placement of a child or to care for a family member who has a serious health condition. Requires the employee to agree to subsequently work for the employer for at least 12 weeks upon return to service except under certain conditions. Effective 1/1/2026.	LAB, CPC, FIN

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<a href="#">HB426</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE STABILIZATION OF PROPERTY INSURANCE.</p> <p>Expands the powers of the Hawaii Property Insurance Association and reactivates the Hawaii Hurricane Relief Fund to help to stabilize the property insurance market in the State. Requires the Insurance Commissioner to conduct a study. Appropriates moneys.</p>	CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB427</a>	<p>RELATING TO BIOSECURITY.</p> <p>Part I: Renames the Department of Agriculture to the "Department of Agriculture and Biosecurity". Renames the Board of Agriculture to the "Board of Agriculture and Biosecurity". Part II: Establishes and appropriates funds for a Deputy Director of Biosecurity. Part III: Changes references to the plant and animal declaration form to the "biosecurity form". Part IV: Authorizes and specifies conditions under which the Department of Agriculture and Biosecurity may declare a biosecurity emergency, during which the Department and Governor may take certain actions to prevent the establishment or spread of pests and prohibited or restricted organisms. Broadens the objectives and general actions of the Biosecurity Program. Part V: Appropriates funds for positions for the Department of Agriculture and Biosecurity.</p>	AGR, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB428</a>	<p>RELATING TO FARM TO FAMILIES.</p> <p>Establishes the Hawaii Farm to Families Program to alleviate food shortages in the State. Requires reports to the Legislature prior to the Regular Sessions of 2026 and 2027. Appropriates funds.</p>	AGR, FIN
<a href="#">HB429</a>	<p>RELATING TO EARLY LEARNING.</p> <p>Appropriates funds to hire teachers and teacher assistants and for equipment and services for public preschools.</p>	EDN, FIN
<a href="#">HB430</a>	<p>RELATING TO INTERNSHIPS.</p> <p>Permits the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to enter into contracts with eligible employers or registered apprenticeship programs in the private sector to provide on-the-job training to eligible interns. Provides that the State shall be the responsible employer for purposes of workers' compensation coverage for students or recent graduates in the on-the-job-training work experience program, subject to certain limitations. Appropriates funds.</p>	LAB, FIN

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<a href="#">HB431</a>	<p>RELATING TO HOUSING. Appropriates funds for the Kauhale Initiative. Establishes and appropriates funds into and out of the Supportive Housing Special Fund. Establishes the Kauhale Initiative Special Fund.</p>	HSB, HSG, FIN
<a href="#">HB432</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE RENTAL HOUSING REVOLVING FUND. Establishes the mixed-income subaccount within the Rental Housing Revolving Fund that targets workforce rental housing projects for persons and families with incomes at or below one hundred forty per cent of the area median income. Authorizes the Director of Finance to transfer funds from the Rental Housing Revolving Fund into the mixed-income subaccount. Appropriates funds into and out of the mixed-income subaccount of the Rental Housing Revolving Fund.</p>	HSG, FIN
<a href="#">HB433</a>	<p>RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY. Appropriates funds to the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation for reentry services to connect offenders with community-based services.</p>	PBS, FIN
<a href="#">HB434</a>	<p>RELATING TO DOULAS. Requires any person providing doula services for compensation or representing or advertising themselves as a certified doula to register with the Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs. Establishes certain rights for certified doulas, including being present during delivery and in any recovery rooms, if requested by the client. Requires the Director to maintain a link to the registry on the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs' website. Effective 1/1/2026.</p>	HLT, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB435</a>	<p>RELATING TO ELECTRIC BICYCLES. Amends the definition of electric bicycles subject to various state laws and classifies electric bicycles by top assisted speed. Establishes additional regulations for the registration and use of electric bicycles. Increases the minimum age to operate an electric bicycle.</p>	TRN, JHA
<a href="#">HB436</a>	<p>RELATING TO ENTERPRISE ZONES. Amends the definition of "eligible business activity" for enterprise zone program purposes to include retail sales of tangible personal property manufactured and sold in the enterprise zone that is to be used or consumed by the purchaser and not for resale, the processing of value-added agricultural products grown within an enterprise zone, and the provision of professional services by health care professionals in health care related sectors.</p>	AGR/HLT, ECD, FIN

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<a href="#">HB437</a>	RELATING TO OUT-OF-STATE OFFICES. Requires, and appropriates funds for, the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to establish an out-of-state office in the Philippines.	ECD, FIN
<a href="#">HB438</a>	RELATING TO DUE PROCESS PROTECTIONS. Establishes the Due Process in Immigration Proceedings Program within the Judiciary to provide legal representation to individuals in immigration-related proceedings in immigration court. Appropriates funds.	ECD, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB439</a>	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Requires the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board to establish an international teacher license for certain visa holders. Establishes criteria for obtaining an international teacher license.	EDN, CPC
<a href="#">HB440</a>	RELATING TO IMMIGRATION. Prohibits certain covered educational entities and Hawaii Health Systems Corporation facilities from collecting information regarding citizenship or immigration status or allowing officers of Immigration and Customs Enforcement to enter certain facilities, except under specific circumstances.	EDN/HLT, ECD, JHA
<a href="#">HB441</a>	RELATING TO CIGARETTE TAXES. Beginning 7/1/2025, increases the cigarette tax and amends the cigarette tax disposition of revenues by allocating the increase in the cigarette tax amount to the Hawaii Cancer Research Special Fund.	HLT, HED, FIN
<a href="#">HB442</a>	RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII. Appropriates funds to the UH system for various nursing programs.	HED, FIN
<a href="#">HB443</a>	RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT HILO. Appropriates funds for one retention coordinator position, one internship coordinator position, and student enrollment management initiatives at the University of Hawaii at Hilo.	HED, FIN
<a href="#">HB444</a>	RELATING TO CRIMES AGAINST SENIORS. Removes the requirement that a perpetrator of certain crimes knows or reasonably should know that the victim is a person sixty years of age or older.	HSB, JHA

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<a href="#">HB445</a>	<p>RELATING TO LAND. Requires the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to exercise its power of eminent domain to acquire certain parcels. Appropriates funds for the acquisition of those parcels.</p>	WAL, ECD, FIN
<a href="#">HB446</a>	<p>RELATING TO A STATE HOTEL. Requires the Hawaii Tourism Authority and School of Travel Industry Management at the University of Hawaii at Manoa to collaborate to actively plan for the design, construction, and operations and management of a state hotel. Requires reports to the Legislature. Appropriates funds.</p>	TOU, HED, FIN
<a href="#">HB447</a>	<p>RELATED TO TOURISM. Amends the types of occurrences for which the Hawaii Tourism Authority Board of Directors may request the Governor to declare a tourism emergency. Reduces the minimum balance to be maintained in the Tourism Emergency Special Fund through an allocation of transient accommodations tax revenues.</p>	TOU, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB448</a>	<p>RELATING TO TECHNOLOGY ENABLEMENT. Appropriates funds to the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation to assist small businesses, including those related to the tourism sector, with technology enablement.</p>	TOU, ECD, FIN
<a href="#">HB449</a>	<p>RELATING TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. Establishes a program that provides technology enablement for small businesses related to tourism in the State. Appropriates funds for assisting in the development and promotion of Hawaii-manufactured products through the INNOVATE Hawaii program.</p>	TOU, ECD, FIN
<a href="#">HB450</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM. Transfers the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts and the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission from the Department of Accounting and General Services to the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism. Transfers the authority held by the Comptroller over the Works of Art Special Fund to the Director of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism.</p>	CAA, ECD/LAB, FIN
<a href="#">HB451</a>	<p>RELATING TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. Establishes the Aerospace and Aeronautics Development Program within the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism. Appropriates funds.</p>	ECD, FIN

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<a href="#">HB452</a>	<p>RELATING TO MEAT PROCESSING. Requires the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to develop and implement a grant program to expand the meat processing capacity in the State. Appropriates funds.</p>	AGR, ECD, FIN
<a href="#">HB453</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS. Requires the Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs to make all business registration applications available online. Requires all applications to contain certain contact information.</p>	CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB454</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE HAWAII TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION. Establishes a public policy framework that addresses state goals related to economic diversification. Appropriates funds to the Hawaii Technology and Development Corporation to implement specific programs that address these goals. Requires the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation to submit annual reports over three years to the legislature.</p>	ECD, FIN
<a href="#">HB455</a>	<p>RELATING TO SMALL BUSINESS LOANS. Establishes the Hawaii start-up business loan program. Establishes the Hawaii start-up business loan program special fund. Requires DBEDT to submit an annual report to the Legislature regarding the program. Appropriates funds.</p>	ECD, FIN
<a href="#">HB456</a>	<p>RELATING TO RAW MILK. Authorizes and decriminalizes the sale of raw milk, raw milk products, and raw milk dairy products directly from producers to consumers for human consumption, subject to certain restrictions. Authorizes the direct sale of raw goat milk for pet consumption. Establishes labeling requirements. Requires the Board of Agriculture and Department of Health to adopt rules no later than 7/1/2026.</p>	HLT/AGR, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB457</a>	<p>RELATING TO CIVIL RIGHTS PROTECTIONS. Requires state and local law enforcement agencies to notify an individual of their rights when in law enforcement agency custody before any interview with United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement on certain matters regarding immigration violations.</p>	ECD, JHA
<a href="#">HB458</a>	<p>RELATING TO BROTHER JOSEPH DUTTON DAY. Designates April 27 of every year as Brother Joseph Dutton Day.</p>	CAA, JHA

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<a href="#">HB459</a>	<p>RELATING TO COUNTY PERMITS. Requires county permitting agencies to establish and fill positions exclusively to process permit applications submitted for state projects. Appropriates funds.</p>	HSG, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB460</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE DWELLING UNIT REVOLVING FUND. Establishes the Dwelling Unit Revolving Fund Equity Program. Repeals the Dwelling Unit Revolving Fund Equity Pilot Program. Clarifies that the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation may utilize funds in the Dwelling Unit Revolving Fund for the purchase of equity in for-sale housing development projects and interim primary or secondary financing.</p>	HSG, FIN
<a href="#">HB461</a>	<p>RELATING TO COMMUTING. Requires the Director of Human Resources Development, in consultation with the Hawaii Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation Commission, State Energy Office, and Department of Accounting and General Services, to develop and implement a comprehensive Commuting Choice Benefit Program for all state employees regardless of mode of transportation. Requires a report to the Legislature.</p>	EEP, LAB, FIN
<a href="#">HB462</a>	<p>RELATING TO AN INTERSTATE COMPACT TO PHASE OUT CORPORATE WELFARE. Adopts the Interstate Compact to Phase Out Corporate Welfare.</p>	ECD, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB463</a>	<p>RELATING TO EVICTION RECORDS. Requires that all court records of any eviction proceeding be sealed within specified timeframes upon resolution of the proceeding. Authorizes the court to seal certain eviction records prior to the expiration of these timeframes upon motion by a tenant who is able to demonstrate that certain conditions apply. Requires the clerk of the court to provide access to sealed eviction records to the tenant. Makes it a discriminatory practice to require a person to disclose a sealed eviction record as a condition of certain real property transactions. Prohibits discrimination in real property transactions against a person with a sealed eviction record.</p>	HSG, CPC, JHA

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<a href="#">HB464</a>	<p>RELATING TO HOUSING. Requires, for tenancies greater than 90 days, a landlord to notify a tenant of any intent to raise the rent for any subsequent rental agreement or any intent to terminate a rental agreement 60 days before the expiration of the original rental agreement. Requires 90 day's notice for a landlord or tenant to terminate tenancies of three years or more and 60 days' notice to terminate tenancies of less than three years, with certain exceptions. Increases the amount of notice required to terminate tenancies that are less than month-to-month.</p>	HSG, CPC, JHA
<a href="#">HB465</a>	<p>RELATING TO DYNAMIC PRICING. Prohibits retailers from using dynamic pricing in the sale of food that is sold, or qualifies to be sold, as part of the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or Special Supplemental Foods Program for Women, Infants, and Children. Establishes fines.</p>	HSB, CPC, JHA
<a href="#">HB466</a>	<p>RELATING TO EVICTIONS. Prohibits landlords from terminating certain tenancies without cause. Establishes criteria under which landlords can undertake a no-fault eviction. Requires landlords, when proceeding with a no-fault eviction, to offer relocation assistance to the tenant or waiver of the final month's rent. Effective 1/1/2026.</p>	HSG, CPC, JHA
<a href="#">HB467</a>	<p>RELATING TO FORECLOSURES. Prohibit sellers of foreclosed homes from bundling properties at a public sale and requires each foreclosed home to be sold separately. Specifies that the sale of a foreclosed property is not final until either fifteen days after the public sale or forty-five days if an eligible bidder submits a subsequent bid or written notice of intent to submit a subsequent bid.</p>	HSG, CPC, JHA
<a href="#">HB468</a>	<p>RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION. Requires the Civil Rights Commission to receive and investigate complaints related to acts of discrimination committed by transportation network company drivers against riders with service animals and report the results of its investigation to the Department of Transportation, which shall issue penalties to transportation network companies.</p>	TRN, JHA
<a href="#">HB469</a>	<p>RELATING TO PARKING FOR DISABLED PERSONS. Requires the Disability and Communication Access Board to issue a disability travel placard to an applicant who has a valid removeable windshield placard and provides proof of travel. Effective 7/1/2027.</p>	HLT, JHA

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<a href="#">HB470</a>	<p>RELATING TO NOISE. Increases fines for violations of leaf blower, string trimmer, and weed whacker restrictions. Repeals the exemptions for government entities and their agents from these restrictions. Beginning 7/1/2028, prohibits the sale of any leaf blower, string trimmer, or weed whacker that is rated by its manufacturer at greater than sixty-five dbA when measured at fifty feet.</p>	EEP, CPC, JHA
<a href="#">HB471</a>	<p>RELATING TO EDUCATION. Requires the Board of Education to establish a Korean language program. Appropriates funds.</p>	EDN, FIN
<a href="#">HB472</a>	<p>RELATING TO DIGITAL IDENTIFICATION. Allows for a digitized identification card to be accepted as a valid form of identification, under certain conditions. Authorizes state and county law enforcement agencies to accept a digitized identification card as proof of a person's identity.</p>	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB473</a>	<p>RELATING TO VOTER REGISTRATION. Establishes a process, beginning on January 1, 2026, for automatically preregistering or registering public, charter, and private school-enrolled students who are at least 16 years old to vote.</p>	EDN, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB474</a>	<p>RELATING TO FALL PREVENTION. Appropriates funds to the Department of Health to fund one full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) fall prevention and early detection coordinator position.</p>	HLT, FIN
<a href="#">HB475</a>	<p>RELATING TO COMMON INTEREST OWNERSHIP COMMUNITIES. Creates regulation requirements for managers of homeowners' associations, planned community associations, cooperative housing corporations, and condominium unit owners' associations in the State. Requires licensure of association managers beginning 7/1/2027. Establishes an Association Manager Licensing Board within the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.</p>	CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB476</a>	<p>RELATING TO CAPITAL GAINS TAX. Increases the capital gains tax threshold to nine percent. Increases the alternative capital gains tax for corporations to five percent.</p>	ECD, FIN

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<a href="#">HB477</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW.</p> <p>Repeals the definition for "registered for work" or "registration for work" and repeals the requirement to post work availability online. Amends the qualifications for unemployed individuals who are able to receive certain unemployment benefits. Beginning 4/1/2027, permits electronic notification of determinations or redeterminations of unemployment claims. Removes language that limited an individual's ability to change a previously elected withholding status only once during a benefit year.</p>	LAB, FIN
<a href="#">HB478</a>	<p>RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT.</p> <p>Amends the definition of "employer" in state law that governs payment of wages and other compensation to include the State and counties when a provision in that law has no comparable provision in state law that governs public officers and employees.</p>	LAB, FIN
<a href="#">HB479</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE TIP CREDIT.</p> <p>Beginning 1/1/2026, increases the tip credit to be twenty per cent of the minimum wage and requires the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to annually calculate an adjusted tip credit amount.</p>	LAB, FIN
<a href="#">HB480</a>	<p>RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION.</p> <p>Authorizes an attending physician to request a functional capacity exam and refer an injured employee for the exam without first obtaining permission from the employee's employer. Allows licensed occupational and physical therapists to be deemed qualified to perform functional capacity exams.</p>	LAB, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB481</a>	<p>RELATING TO OFFENDER REENTRY.</p> <p>Requires the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to issue a certificate of suitability for employment. Requires the Department to collaborate with state and federal agencies and private employers to educate stakeholders on the certification. Appropriate funds.</p>	PBS, FIN
<a href="#">HB482</a>	<p>RELATING TO ILLEGAL CAMPING.</p> <p>Clarifies petty misdemeanor penalties for the offense of criminal trespass onto public parks and recreational grounds. Provides for seizure of abandoned or unattended personal property. Requires the Department of Human Services to establish a homeless outreach and case management program. Requires the Department of Land and Natural Resources to identify and restore vacated homeless encampment areas in the State and report to the Legislature. Appropriates moneys.</p>	WAL/HSB, JHA, FIN

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<a href="#">HB483</a>	<p>RELATING TO HAWAII COVERT OPERATIONS. Establishes the Hawaii Covert Operations Against Smuggling and Transnational Threats program with the Department of Law Enforcement to combat smuggling of drugs and weapons and human trafficking.</p>	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB484</a>	<p>RELATING TO TRANSITIONAL HOMES. Establishes the Hawaii Efficient Transitional Homes Commission to provide recommendations for the efficient, effective, and transparent management of transitional homes. Requires annual reports to the Legislature.</p>	HSH, HSG, FIN
<a href="#">HB485</a>	<p>RELATING TO EDUCATION. Establishes a Department of Education statewide policy for cell phone use in all department schools to ensure clear and enforceable guidelines and foster an environment conducive to learning.</p>	EDN, JHA
<a href="#">HB486</a>	<p>RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION. Prohibits the operation of an electric bicycle on highway, street, roadway, or any other areas designated for motor vehicles. Prohibit unsafe operation of an electric bicycle. Prohibits the removal of a manufacturer- or factory-installed speed limiting device from an electric bicycle. Requires the department of transportation to develop a traffic safety education program and a public awareness campaign. Appropriate funds.</p>	TRN, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB487</a>	<p>RELATING TO GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY. Appropriate funds to the legislative reference bureau to procure artificial intelligence software and analytic services to streamline state law and regulations. Requires a report to the legislature.</p>	LMG, FIN
<a href="#">HB488</a>	<p>PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION TO PROMOTE ACCOUNTABILITY IN ELECTED OFFICIALS. Proposes to amend the state constitution to suspend or bar criminally charged or convicted elected officials from office and impose term limit requirements on elected officials.</p>	JHA, FIN

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[HB489](#)

**RELATING TO VACANT HOMES.**

Establishes a Vacant Homes Special Fund under the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation for rental assistance programs. Establishes a general excise tax surcharge on an owner that allows a residential real property to remain vacant for 180 days or more a year. Requires persons who own residential real property, but do not live there, to obtain a general excise tax license. Requires the counties to disclose to the Department of Taxation a list of properties classified as not being occupied by an owner of that property. Requires the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to calculate average annual rental value for the basis for the surcharge amount.

HSG, ECD, FIN

[HB490](#)

**RELATING TO INSURANCE.**

Requires the Insurance Commissioner to develop comprehensive standards and requirements for condominium associations and developers to obtain property insurance through self-insurance and mutual insurance, and examine and evaluate the feasibility of implementing guaranteed buyback programs and investment-based protection funds.

CPC, FIN

[HB491](#)

**RELATING TO LAND LEASES.**

Prohibits the State from leasing any public lands, or extending the lease of any public lands, to any individual, corporation, or federal agency that is in arrears in the payment of certain moneys to the State, noncompliant with a consent decree or memoranda of agreement with the State that requires environmental maintenance or remediation with regard to the subject public lands, or convicted of a crime. Requires certification by the Office of the Governor before the issuance or extension of any federal lease that the individual, corporation, or federal agency is in good standing with the State. Provides that, if any existing lessee of public lands is found not to be in good standing with the State as of the effective date of this Act, the lessee shall have three years, or until the end of the lease term, whichever is sooner, to correct the violation or the lease shall be terminated.

WAL, JHA, FIN

[HB492](#)

**RELATING TO PROPERTY FORFEITURE.**

Prohibits civil asset forfeiture unless the covered offense is a felony for which the property owner has been convicted. Excludes the forfeiture proceedings for an animal pending criminal charges. Requires the Attorney General to deposit the net proceeds of the forfeited property to the credit of the state general fund.

JHA, FIN

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<a href="#">HB493</a>	<p>RELATING TO ETHICS. For purposes of the state ethics laws, subjects legislators to all ethics laws applicable to employees by including legislators within the definition of "employees". Repeals references to legislators under the state ethics laws made redundant by the inclusion.</p>	JHA
<a href="#">HB494</a>	<p>RELATING TO OPEN MEETINGS. Repeals the Legislature's exemption under the State's open meetings law.</p>	LMG, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB495</a>	<p>PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 4, OF THE HAWAII STATE CONSTITUTION TO ESTABLISH LEGISLATIVE TERM LIMITS. Proposes a constitutional amendment to limit the number of years members may serve in the Legislature to a maximum of sixteen years.</p>	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB496</a>	<p>RELATING TO MĀMAKI TEA. Imposes labeling requirements for māmaki tea grown in the State.</p>	AGR, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB497</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE HAWAII CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAMS. Transfers the Hawaii Child Nutrition Programs Agency from the Department of Education to the Department of Agriculture and codifies its establishment. Establishes a grant program to be administered by the Agency to support the funding of certain initiatives for the State's public schools. Appropriates funds for grants.</p>	EDN, AGR, FIN
<a href="#">HB498</a>	<p>RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL CRIMES. Establishes the Hawaii Agricultural Crimes Council. Expands the duties of the Department of Agriculture to collaborate with and support the Council. Authorizes the Council to withdraw and deposit moneys, revenues, and fines into and out of the Animal Industry Special Fund. Appropriates funds.</p>	AGR, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB499</a>	<p>RELATING TO RESILIENCY. Establishes the Food and Beverage Supply Chain Resiliency Income Tax Credit to be administered by the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism and Department of Taxation. Requires DBEDT to establish expedited permitting processes for food and beverage supply chain activities.</p>	AGR, ECD, FIN

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<a href="#">HB500</a>	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Appropriates funds to establish a permanent Educational Support Associate position within the University of Hawaii College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources' Kona Cooperative Extension.	HED, FIN
<a href="#">HB501</a>	RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT. Establishes the Agricultural Enforcement Program within the Department of Law Enforcement. Establishes the Agricultural Enforcement Special Fund. Establishes positions. Appropriates funds.	AGR, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB502</a>	RELATING TO LAND USE. Temporarily allows each county, by resolution of its county council, to petition for the redistricting of land from an agricultural district to a rural district through the Land Use Commission's declaratory ruling process. Effective 7/1/2026. Sunsets 6/30/2029.	WAL, JHA
<a href="#">HB503</a>	RELATING TO THE HAWAII FIRST RESPONDERS MEMORIAL. Appropriates funds to the Department of Accounting and General Services to hire a consultant to evaluate potential locations and designs for the Hawaii First Responders Memorial.	PBS, FIN
<a href="#">HB504</a>	RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP. Amends the transient accommodations tax rate. Requires a \$20 transient accommodation tax to be levied per night for each furnishing of transient accommodations in exchange for points, miles, or other amounts provided through a membership, loyalty, or rewards program. Appropriates funds to DLNR for protection, management, and restoration of the State's natural resources.	TOU/WAL, FIN
<a href="#">HB505</a>	RELATING TO RED HILL. Establishes a WAI Policy Coordinator for coordination of Red Hill WAI initiatives. Creates the Red Hill Remediation Special Fund.	WAL, EEP, FIN
<a href="#">HB506</a>	RELATING TO CONSERVATION ENFORCEMENT. Appropriates funds for equipment for the Oahu Branch of the Division of Conservation and Resources Enforcement of the Department of Land and Natural Resources.	WAL, FIN

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<a href="#">HB507</a>	RELATING TO CESSPOOLS. Appropriates funds for the cesspool compliance pilot grant project.	EEP, WAL, FIN
<a href="#">HB508</a>	RELATING TO FIREWORKS. Amends Act 67, SLH 2023, to appropriate funds for the illegal fireworks task force for FY 2025-2026 and FY 2026-2027 and to extend the sunset date of the Act from 6/30/2025 to 6/30/2030.	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB509</a>	RELATING TO STATE WATER CODE PENALTIES. Adds a minimum penalty and amends the maximum penalty per violation of the State Water Code, expands the types of potential violations of the State Water Code, and makes each day that a violation exists or continues to exist a separate offense. Requires the Commission on Water Resource Management to consider certain factors when imposing penalties.	WAL, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB510</a>	RELATING TO DECLARATION OF WATER SHORTAGE AND EMERGENCY. Amends the conditions, manner, and areas in which the Commission on Water Resource Management can declare and provide notice of water shortages and emergencies.	WAL, JHA
<a href="#">HB511</a>	RELATING TO PUBLIC LANDS. Provides that a survey of the land to be set aside shall not be a condition precedent to the setting aside of public lands to any department or agency of the State.	WAL, JHA
<a href="#">HB512</a>	RELATING TO OCEAN RECREATION MANAGEMENT. Establishes a standard of state waters within three thousand feet seaward of the base line of the territorial sea as ocean recreation management areas. Prohibits commercial activity in ocean recreation management areas, except by a commercial use permit.	WAL, JHA
<a href="#">HB513</a>	RELATING TO TAXATION. Expands the existing renewable energy technologies tax credit to cover claims made after 2025 for solar energy systems integrating battery storage or existing systems that are retrofitted to include battery storage.	EEP, ECD, FIN
<a href="#">HB514</a>	RELATING TO WIND ENERGY. Creates an offshore wind energy working group to generate a roadmap to define standards to consider in the developmental process for offshore wind energy. Requires the working group to submit a report to the legislature prior to the 2027 regular session.	EEP, CPC, FIN

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<a href="#">HB515</a>	<p>RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION. Categorizes electric bicycles into three classes based on speed and operation. Establishes regulations for electric bicycles. Requires electric bicycle manufacturers and distributors to apply a label to each electric bicycle specifying the classification number, top assisted speed, and motor wattage of the electric bicycle. Imposes licensure and insurance requirements for class three electric bicycles.</p>	TRN, CPC, JHA
<a href="#">HB516</a>	<p>RELATING TO HOUSING. Repeals the requirement imposed on the counties to allow for the construction of at least two accessory dwelling units on all residentially zoned lots. Establishes the accessory dwelling unit housing development program with the Hawaii Community Development Authority to award subsidies to individuals who build accessory dwelling units. Exempts those accessory dwelling units from general excise tax for the first 3 years of rental.</p>	HSG/WAL, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB517</a>	<p>RELATING TO RESTORING RESPECT AND DIGNITY TO AMERICA'S ONLY ROYAL PALACE IN THE NATION. Prohibits parking of motor vehicles on the grounds of Iolani Palace. Requires DAGS to remove the blacktop, parking area, and paid parking adjacent to Iolani Palace. Requires DLNR to develop and maintain a pedestrian area adjacent to Iolani Palace. Requires DAGS and DLNR to report on cost analysis.</p>	WAL, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB518</a>	<p>RELATING TO SMALL CLAIMS COURT. Prohibits licensed attorneys from representing clients in small claims court.</p>	JHA
<a href="#">HB519</a>	<p>PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE IX OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII RELATING TO RECREATIONAL CANNABIS. Proposes a constitutional amendment that would legalize the possession and use of recreational cannabis by adults who are at least 21 years of age, as provided by law.</p>	JHA, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB520</a>	<p>RELATING TO TAXATION. Excludes from state income taxes the gross income, adjusted gross income, and taxable income derived from tips received by employees.</p>	LAB, FIN

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<a href="#">HB521</a>	RELATING TO OFFICE OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP. Establishes the Office of Entrepreneurship. Creates a program in partnership with the Hawaii film and creative industries development special fund. Appropriates moneys to establish the Office of Entrepreneurship.	ECD, FIN
<a href="#">HB522</a>	RELATING TO THE GENERAL EXCISE TAX. Establishes a general excise tax holiday on the first Saturday of each month for small businesses within the State.	ECD, FIN
<a href="#">HB523</a>	RELATING TO THEFT. Provides that a person who commits theft of property or services the value of which does not exceed \$750, commits theft in the second degree if the person was convicted two or more times for any theft offenses in the five years prior to the current offense.	JHA
<a href="#">HB524</a>	RELATING TO WAGES. Caps the minimum wage at \$15 per hour. Adjusts the schedule for the tip credit increase.	LAB, FIN
<a href="#">HB525</a>	RELATING TO HOUSING. Clarifies that the dwelling units eligible for the Rent-to-Own Program shall be units that are for sale in fee simple or leasehold on state or county land under a lease with an initial term of not less than ninety-nine years. Increases the time period that the sales price of dwelling units under the Rent-to-Own Program shall remain fixed from five years to ten years after the rental agreement is executed.	HSG, FIN
<a href="#">HB526</a>	RELATING TO COUNTY PERMITS. Requires county permitting agencies to establish and fill positions exclusively to process permit applications submitted for state projects. Appropriates funds.	HSG, FIN
<a href="#">HB527</a>	RELATING TO HOUSING. Prohibits the legislative body of a county from making modifications to housing development proposals that would increase the cost of the project.	HSG, JHA
<a href="#">HB528</a>	RELATING TO RESIDENTIAL LEASEHOLDS. Exempts state and county lands leased after July 1, 2025, for an initial period of not less than ninety-nine years from chapters 516 and 516D, Hawaii Revised Statutes.	HSG, WAL, JHA

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<a href="#">HB529</a>	RELATING TO STATE FINANCES. Authorizes the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation to secure a line of credit or other instrument of indebtedness for the Bond Volume Cap Recycling Program.	HSG, FIN
<a href="#">HB530</a>	RELATING TO THE LABELING OF MACADAMIA NUTS. Specifies that the macadamia nut labeling requirements apply if the applicable products are produced in whole or in part from Hawaii-grown and Hawaii-processed macadamia nuts. Effective 1/2/2026.	AGR, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB531</a>	RELATING TO SPECIAL NUMBER PLATES. Authorizes the issuance of special number plates to recognize the University of Hawaii Cancer Center.	CAA, FIN
<a href="#">HB532</a>	RELATING TO VEHICLE TITLES. Reduces the period in which a transferee is required to forward the certificate of ownership to the director of finance when a title of vehicle is transferred from thirty days to fourteen days. Allows a letter of attestation to the Director of Finance to act as an endorsed certificate for motor vehicle transfer.	TRN, JHA
<a href="#">HB533</a>	RELATING TO HISTORIC PROPERTY. Amends the definition of "historic property" under the State's historic preservation program to include only property that predates Statehood Day and, with respect to buildings and structures, is registered on the Hawaii Register of Historic Places.	WAL, JHA
<a href="#">HB534</a>	RELATING TO LABELING REQUIREMENTS. Prohibits the sale of raw ahi and raw ahi products in retail establishments without a label that states the country where the ahi was landed.	WAL, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB535</a>	RELATING TO LIQUOR. Establishes a three-year surcharge on the liquor tax. Repeals 06/30/2028.	ECD, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB536</a>	RELATING TO FRESHWATER WATERWAYS. Prohibits residing in, on, or within fifty feet of a freshwater waterway. Authorizes state and local law enforcement agencies, including the Department of Land and Natural Resources' Conservation and Resources Enforcement Program and county police, to enforce the prohibition.	WAL, JHA, FIN

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<a href="#">HB537</a>	RELATING TO TWO-WHEELED MOTORIZED VEHICLES. Requires all operators and passengers of two-wheeled motorized vehicles to wear safety helmets with securely fastened chin straps while operating two-wheeled motorized vehicles on highways, streets, roadways, or any other public property in the State. Defines "two-wheeled motorized vehicles".	TRN, JHA
<a href="#">HB538</a>	RELATING TO SAFE ENTRYWAYS. Prohibit individuals from residing in a doorway or surrounding area of certain places. Gives county police departments primary authority to enforce the prohibition.	JHA
<a href="#">HB539</a>	RELATING TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. Expands eligibility for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program to include any individual or household whose monthly income is equal to or less than three hundred per cent of the federal poverty level. Appropriates funds.	HSB, FIN
<a href="#">HB540</a>	RELATED TO SAFE WATER. Prohibits the addition of fluoride to a public water system. Preempts and voids conflicting laws, executive orders, ordinances, regulations, or rules.	HLT, EEP, JHA
<a href="#">HB541</a>	RELATING TO URBAN DEVELOPMENT. Makes certain urban development and land use requirements applicable only to counties with a population of less than five hundred thousand, including: vesting the director of the county land use agency with the administrative authority to act on any application for subdivision, consolidation, or resubdivision; the required adoption or amendment of an ordinance to allow at least two accessory dwelling units, subject to certain conditions, on all residentially zoned lots; the calculation of certain school impact fees; and a prohibition on private covenants that include certain limitations or restrictions for residentially zoned lots within an urban district.	HSG, WAL, JHA
<a href="#">HB542</a>	RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII PROMISE PROGRAM. Expands the Hawaii promise program to provide scholarships for the unmet needs of qualified students at any four-year university of Hawaii campus who meet certain criteria. Appropriates funds.	HED, FIN

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<a href="#">HB543</a>	<p>RELATING TO LICENSE PLATES. Prohibits the operation of a motor vehicle with, possession, purchase, installation, sale, offer for sale, or distribution of license plate flipping devices. Establishes a \$2,000 fine for each separate violation.</p>	TRN, JHA
<a href="#">HB544</a>	<p>RELATING TO PET INSURANCE. Establishes a regulatory framework specifically for pet insurance based on the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' Pet Insurance Model Act.</p>	CPC
<a href="#">HB545</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT. Appropriates funds to the Department of Human Resources Development for the establishment of three permanent full-time equivalent (3.0 FTE) positions and the development and implementation of a leadership training module for manager level positions.</p>	LAB, FIN
<a href="#">HB546</a>	<p>RELATING TO ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE. Establishes and appropriates funds to establish the aloha intelligence institute within the university of Hawaii to develop, support, and advance artificial intelligence initiatives statewide.</p>	HED, ECD, FIN
<a href="#">HB547</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE SPAYING AND NEUTERING OF ANIMALS. Establishes the Spay and Neuter Special Fund to reduce pet overpopulation and the reproduction of free-roaming cats and various revenue and fundraising sources for the special fund.</p>	AGR, CAA, FIN
<a href="#">HB548</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE ACQUISITION OF THE SAINT FRANCIS SCHOOL CAMPUS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA. Authorizes the Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii to issue revenue bonds for the acquisition of the Saint Francis School campus located at 2707 Pamoia Road in Honolulu. Appropriates funds to the University of Hawaii for the acquisition of the Saint Francis School campus located at 2707 Pamoia Road in Honolulu.</p>	HED, FIN

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<a href="#">HB549</a>	<p>RELATING TO AN EARLY LEARNING APPRENTICESHIP GRANT PROGRAM.</p> <p>Establishes an Early Learning Apprenticeship Grant Program to be administered by the University of Hawaii to provide financial support for early learning program service providers in the State to participate in state- or federally-approved early learning apprenticeship programs. Requires an annual report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds.</p>	HED, HSH, FIN
<a href="#">HB550</a>	<p>RELATING TO FIREWORKS.</p> <p>PART I: Allows video recordings made by law enforcement agencies who are using, controlling, or operating an unmanned aerial vehicles to establish probable cause for an arrest under the Fireworks Control Law if the unmanned aerial vehicle is recording directly above a public park, street, sidewalk, easement, or any public property and the act leading to the arrest is committed on a public street, sidewalk, or other public property. PART II: Appropriates funds to the Department of Law Enforcement for the purchase of unmanned aerial vehicles to monitor the use of illegal fireworks.</p>	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB551</a>	<p>RELATED TO CARE HOMES.</p> <p>Increases the state supplemental payment ceilings for type I adult residential care homes, licensed developmental disabilities domiciliary homes, community care foster family homes, certified adult foster homes, and type II adult residential care homes.</p>	HSH, FIN
<a href="#">HB552</a>	<p>RELATED TO CARE HOMES.</p> <p>Increases the state supplemental payment ceilings for type I adult residential care homes, licensed developmental disabilities domiciliary homes, community care foster family homes, certified adult foster homes, and type II adult residential care homes. Authorizes an additional payment for resident clients residing in these homes when state funds for the state supplemental payment for a specific fiscal year are not fully expended, under certain circumstances.</p>	HSH, FIN
<a href="#">HB553</a>	<p>RELATING TO INSURANCE.</p> <p>Beginning 1/1/2026, requires health insurers, mutual benefit societies, health maintenance organizations, and health plans under the State's Medicaid managed care program to provide coverage for biomarker testing.</p>	HLT/HSH, CPC, FIN

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<a href="#">HB554</a>	RELATING TO STATE HOLIDAYS. Designates the day of the second new moon after the winter solstice of each year as the Lunar New Year. Establishes the Lunar New Year as a state holiday.	CAA, FIN
<a href="#">HB555</a>	RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES. Requires employers to provide employees with paid breaks.	LAB, FIN
<a href="#">HB556</a>	RELATING TO COLORECTAL CANCER. Requires and appropriates moneys for the Department of Human Services to develop and implement a public assistance program offering state-funded colorectal screenings for certain persons. Requires coverage for all colorectal cancer screenings in the State to be consistent with the Affordable Care Act Implementation Frequently Asked Questions published by the United States Department of Labor, United States Department of Health and Human Services, and United States Department of the Treasury.	HLT/HSB, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB557</a>	RELATING TO TELEHEALTH. Updates the State's laws on telehealth services to conform with federal Medicare regulations. Requires the Insurance Commissioner to report to the Legislature on reimbursements claimed in the previous year for certain telehealth services. Repeals the sunset date of Act 107, Session Laws of Hawaii 2023.	HLT, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB558</a>	RELATING TO NUCLEAR ENERGY. Establishes the Nuclear Energy Task Force within the Hawaii State Energy Office. Requires reports to the Legislature.	EEP, FIN
<a href="#">HB559</a>	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Beginning with the 2027-2028 school year, requires the Department of Education to include the teaching of financial literacy in the personal transition plan requirement for each student.	EDN, FIN
<a href="#">HB560</a>	RELATING TO THE JUDICIARY. Appropriates funds to the judiciary for services contracted with community-based organizations that deliver essential services, streamline judicial processes, and support the judiciary's capacity to effectively meet the needs of vulnerable households.	JHA, FIN

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<a href="#">HB561</a>	<p>RELATING TO PHARMACISTS. Authorizes a registered pharmacist under contract with a covered entity for purposes of the federal 340B Drug Pricing Program to supervise via telehealth the filling or receipt of a prescription in certain circumstances.</p>	HLT, CPC
<a href="#">HB562</a>	<p>RELATING TO CONSUMER PROTECTION. Prohibits covered entities in the State from entering into contracts with drug manufacturers that limit the covered entities' use of contract pharmacies. Voids contract provisions for certain drugs if the provisions are based on the maximum allowable cost payment model. Authorizes the attorney general to bring a civil action for violations.</p>	HLT, CPC, JHA
<a href="#">HB563</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII'S SPACE SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING INITIATIVE. Appropriates funds for salaries and fringe benefits of positions for the University of Hawaii Institute for Astronomy's Space Science and Engineering Initiative Workforce Development Program, Maunakea Scholars Program, and Internship Program. Appropriates funds for office equipment and supplies, operational costs, and stipends for the Maunakea Scholars Program and Internship Program.</p>	HED, FIN
<a href="#">HB564</a>	<p>RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE THIRTY-SECOND REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT. Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds and appropriated funds for capital improvement projects in the 32nd representative district.</p>	FIN
<a href="#">HB565</a>	<p>RELATING TO MANDATORY PRIOR WRITTEN NOTICE AND CONSENT IN CONTRACTS TO PROVIDE CREMATION SERVICES. Beginning 10/1/2025, requires mortuaries, cemeteries, and pre-need funeral authorities that contract to provide cremation services to provide written notice if precious metals are recovered after cremation and to obtain written consent before the sale or recycling of any recovered precious metals. Requires mortuaries, cemeteries, and pre-need funeral authorities that have contracted to provide cremation services to give certain notice of updated terms by 1/1/2026.</p>	CPC, JHA

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<a href="#">HB566</a>	RELATING TO PROTECTION OF MINORS. Protects minors from addictive content by imposing special requirements for operators regarding consent, notifications, and age verification. Protects minors from having their online personal data processed without parental consent.	ECD, CPC/JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB567</a>	RELATING TO TAXATION. Provides an income tax deduction for tips received by tipped employees.	LAB, FIN
<a href="#">HB568</a>	RELATING TO OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE ANALYST. Requires the office of legislative analyst to produce fiscal notes on all fiscal bills. Prohibits a committee from making a decision on a fiscal bill without a fiscal note. Mandates that fiscal notes be made available to the public. Appropriates funds.	LMG, FIN
<a href="#">HB569</a>	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Requires all department schools to offer community policing programs including DARE, LEEP, and PAL. Authorizes the department of education to work with the department of law enforcement and local police departments to implement the programs. Requires a faculty liaison.	EDN, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB570</a>	PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 4, OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII TO ESTABLISH TERM LIMITS FOR LEGISLATORS. Proposes a constitutional amendment to limit the terms of members of the legislature to a maximum of twelve years in the house of representatives or senate, or both, for terms beginning on or after the general election of 2026.	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB571</a>	RELATING TO CONDOMINIUMS. Limits condominium board members to serving no more than two consecutive terms. Allows such members to resume their positions after one term has passed since their departure.	CPC, JHA
<a href="#">HB572</a>	RELATING TO GENERAL EXCISE TAX. Exempts food and groceries from the general excise tax. Expands a 2024 session law exempting certain medical and dental services to include all medical and dental services.	ECD, FIN
<a href="#">HB573</a>	RELATING TO CONSUMER PROTECTION. Creates an exemption within the existing limits on recovery to ensure that accepting restitution under chapter 487 does not prohibit an individual from a separate recovery from an action brought under chapter 480 for unfair and deceptive practices.	CPC, JHA

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<a href="#">HB574</a>	RELATING TO TAXATION. Establishes an income tax credit of \$3,000 for retired service members of the Hawaii National Guard.	PBS, ECD, FIN
<a href="#">HB575</a>	RELATING TO TAXATION. Provides an income tax deduction for tips received by tipped employees.	LAB, FIN
<a href="#">HB576</a>	RELATING TO RESTRICTIONS ON THE TRANSFER OF REAL PROPERTY UNDER CHAPTER 201H, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES. Exempts transfers of Hawaiian home lands from transfer restrictions for real property under Chapter 201H housing development programs.	HSG, JHA
<a href="#">HB577</a>	RELATING TO TAXATION. Authorizes a tax credit for businesses that pay the public transportation costs of employees. Applies to counties having populations of 700,000 or more. Applies for taxable years beginning after 12/31/2024 but not beginning after 12/31/2029. Requires reports to the Legislature.	TRN, ECD, FIN
<a href="#">HB578</a>	RELATING TO LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS. Establishes enhanced penalties for multiple violations of the same liquor law by licensees in a county with a population of 500,000 or more, under certain circumstances.	CPC, JHA
<a href="#">HB579</a>	RELATING TO LIQUOR. Requires Liquor Commissions or Boards to deny any renewal for a liquor license if the applicant for renewal has violated any provision of the Intoxicating Liquor Law under chapter 281, Hawaii Revised Statutes, on three separate occasions during the twelve-month period preceding the renewal application date.	CPC, JHA
<a href="#">HB580</a>	RELATING TO DANGEROUS DRUGS. Establishes a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment for promoting a dangerous drug in the third degree if the conviction is predicated on the possession of methamphetamine or fentanyl, and progressive mandatory minimum terms of imprisonment if the person has prior convictions predicated on the trafficking of methamphetamine or the possession of methamphetamine or fentanyl.	JHA
<a href="#">HB581</a>	RELATING TO HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS. Appropriates moneys to the department of Hawaiian home lands for new construction of housing units for native Hawaiians.	HSG, JHA, FIN

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<a href="#">HB582</a>	<p>PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLE X, SECTION 2 AND ARTICLE XVIII, SECTION 12, OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII TO ESTABLISH A SCHOOL BOARD COMPRISED OF APPOINTED AND ELECTED MEMBERS.</p> <p>Proposes a constitutional amendment that would establish a school board comprised of five members appointed by the governor and four members elected by the voters and representing each county. Prohibits board members from serving more than twelve years as a member.</p>	EDN, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB583</a>	<p>RELATING TO AUTISM.</p> <p>Appropriates moneys to the Department of Human Services to increase funding for applied behavioral analysis services for Medicaid enrollees who have been diagnosed with autism. Requires the Department to obtain the maximum federal matching funds available for the expenditure.</p>	SHS, FIN
<a href="#">HB584</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE JUDICIARY.</p> <p>Short form bill relating to the Judiciary.</p>	JHA
<a href="#">HB585</a>	<p>RELATING TO HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS.</p> <p>Short form bill relating to Hawaiian affairs.</p>	JHA
<a href="#">HB586</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE PENAL CODE.</p> <p>Short form bill relating to the Penal Code.</p>	JHA
<a href="#">HB587</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.</p> <p>Short form bill relating to the Department of the Attorney General.</p>	JHA
<a href="#">HB588</a>	<p>RELATING TO STATE LAW.</p> <p>Short form bill relating to state law.</p>	JHA
<a href="#">HB589</a>	<p>RELATING TO CONDOMINIUM INSURANCE.</p> <p>Establishes the Hawaii Condominium Mutual Insurance Company to provide property and casualty insurance to high-rise residential condominium properties and the owners of those units. Establishes a loan fund to assist associations of apartment owners experiencing increased insurance costs. Appropriates moneys.</p>	CPC, FIN

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<a href="#">HB590</a>	<p>RELATING TO INSURANCE FOR HAWAII CONDOMINIUM PROPERTIES.</p> <p>Requires property insurers to offer discounts on a condominium association's annual insurance premium if the association adopts specific risk mitigation upgrades or develops comprehensive disaster response plans. Requires property insurers of condominiums to base premium increases on actuarial justifications that reflect actual risk reduction resulting from upgraded fire safety improvements installed in conjunction with a building fire and life safety evaluation. Requires property insurers of condominiums to justify premium increases above 10%. Requires property insurers of condominiums to publicly report premium increases each year.</p>	CPC, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB591</a>	<p>RELATING TO MANAGING AGENTS.</p> <p>Requires managing agents for residential condominium properties over seventy-five feet in height to have commercial property management experience.</p>	HSG, CPC
<a href="#">HB592</a>	<p>RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE THIRTY-FIRST REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT.</p> <p>Appropriates funds for capital improvement projects in the thirty-first representative district.</p>	FIN
<a href="#">HB593</a>	<p>RELATING TO TREATMENT FOR MENTAL ILLNESS.</p> <p>Establishes a pilot program in the Department of Health to provide intensive mobile treatment-type services, e.g., "street psychiatry", to chronically houseless adult individuals suffering from serious brain disorders like schizophrenia and schizoaffective disorder. Requires reports to the Legislature. Appropriates funds.</p>	HSH/HLT, FIN
<a href="#">HB594</a>	<p>RELATING TO HOTELS.</p> <p>Requires hotelkeepers to provide adequate notice of service disruptions to guests and third-party vendors under certain conditions. Allows for recovery of damages.</p>	TOU, JHA, CPC
<a href="#">HB595</a>	<p>RELATING TO RECORDINGS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES.</p> <p>Establishes the right of a person to record law enforcement activities. Establishes a private right of action for any violation of the right to record law enforcement activities.</p>	LAB, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB596</a>	<p>RELATING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.</p> <p>Clarifies the types of events that constitute disasters and emergencies for the purposes of emergency management.</p>	PBS, FIN

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<a href="#">HB597</a>	<p>PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE I OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII TO RECOGNIZE AND PROTECT THE INHERENT AND INALIENABLE RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE TO CLEAN WATER AND AIR, A HEALTHFUL ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE, HEALTHY NATIVE ECOSYSTEMS, AND BEACHES.</p> <p>Proposes a constitutional amendment to ensure that the inherent and inalienable right of the people, including present and future generations, to clean water and air, a healthful environment and climate, healthy native ecosystems, and beaches shall be protected and shall not be infringed.</p>	EEP/WAL, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB598</a>	<p>RELATING TO HEALTH.</p> <p>Prohibits the imposition of cost-sharing requirements for certain diagnostic and supplemental breast examinations.</p>	HLT, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB599</a>	<p>RELATING TO SCHOOL SAFETY.</p> <p>Requires the Department of Education to assign school resource officers to department public schools and charter schools. Encourages the employment of qualified retirees from the local police departments and department of law enforcement. Appropriates funds for these positions.</p>	EDN, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB600</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE MEDICAL USE OF CANNABIS.</p> <p>Repeals registration requirements relating to qualifying out-of-state medical cannabis patients who are validly registered in other states, United States territories, or the District of Columbia. Repeals language requiring an initial in-person consultation before physicians and advanced practice registered nurses may make medical cannabis treatment recommendations via telehealth. Prohibits the Department of Health from imposing fees for patients' medical cannabis registration certificates.</p>	HLT, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB601</a>	<p>RELATING TO ELECTIONS.</p> <p>Increases the number of voter service centers in the State. Requiring all voter services centers to operate during the same days and hours statewide. Clarifies that during each day of operation, during all hours of operation, each voter service center is to provide in-person voter registration, receive absentee and election-by-mail ballots, allow voters to vote in person, and provide voting machine services for persons with disabilities. Appropriates moneys to the counties for the administrative costs of voter service centers.</p>	JHA, FIN

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<a href="#">HB602</a>	RELATING TO THE MEDICAL USE OF CANNABIS. Establishes a licensing system for medical cannabis cultivation. Facilitates the transport of medical cannabis. Expands the scope of authorized actions for medical cannabis patients. Provides that qualifying out-of-state patients need not register with the Department of Health. Protects medical cannabis patients and cultivation licenses from undue discrimination.	HLT, CPC/JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB603</a>	RELATING TO NATIVE HAWAIIAN BUSINESS MARKETING. Requires the Office of Hawaiian Affairs to administer and oversee a Native Hawaiian Marketing Program to promote businesses owned by Native Hawaiians through marketing and technical assistance.	JHA, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB604</a>	RELATING TO TAX REVENUES. Beginning on 1/1/2026, increases transient accommodations tax rates by 1 percentage point. Deposits the increased revenues into the Hawaiian Home General Loan Fund established under the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920, as amended.	TOU/HSG, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB605</a>	RELATING TO THE HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY. Allows the Hawaii Community Development Authority to approve residential development on certain parcels of land in the Kakaako Makai area. Raises the building height limit on certain parcels in the area. Requires a certain percentage of the residential units developed on certain parcels to be allocated to households at or below a certain income level, with priority given to certain essential workforce in the area. Limits the sale of residential units developed in certain residential developments to prospective owner-occupants. Requires the Hawaii Community Development Authority to determine a Kakaako Makai Association Fee to be collected from all residential developments on certain parcels to be deposited into a special account in the Hawaii Community Development Revolving Fund to fund various services and projects in the Kakaako Makai area.	WAL, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB606</a>	RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOMELANDS. Extends the Act 279 Special Fund to 6/30/2028. Deposits funds into the Act 279 Special Fund and appropriates funds out of the Special Fund for the Department of Hawaiian Homelands to eliminate its waitlist. Requires the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands to submit a strategic plan detailing the anticipated uses of the funds appropriated. Requires an annual report.	HSG, JHA, FIN

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<a href="#">HB607</a>	RELATING TO FIREWORKS. Establishes the Class A felony-level offense of serious bodily injury or death resulting from fireworks.	JHA
<a href="#">HB608</a>	RELATING TO FIREWORKS. Establishes the shipping container inspection program and shipping container inspection program special fund. Amends the definitions of "aerial devices" and "fireworks" within state fireworks law. Requires reports to the Legislature on implementation of the shipping container inspection program. Appropriates moneys.	TRN, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB609</a>	RELATING TO SEX TRAFFICKING. Requires the posting of informational placards on sex trafficking and resources available to victims, in public buildings and at other specified locations. Requires the Department of Human Services to develop and make available a model placard. Requires the Department of Education to train teachers, school administrators, and other school personnel on the dynamics of sex trafficking and strategies for prevention and response. Requires and appropriates moneys for the Department of the Attorney General to develop and implement public education and outreach events on the dynamics of sex trafficking and the importance of community involvement in prevention and response efforts.	HSH/EDN, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB610</a>	RELATING TO COLD CASE INVESTIGATIONS. Establishes and appropriates money for a Cold Case Investigation Unit within the Department of the Attorney General. Prioritizes unsolved cases involving an Indigenous victim.	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB611</a>	RELATING TO ASSISTED REPRODUCTION. Establishes a streamlined procedure for determining parentage in cases of assisted reproduction.	HLT, CPC, JHA
<a href="#">HB612</a>	RELATING TO HEALTH. Prohibits physicians and surgeons from performing certain procedures on individuals born with variations in their physical sex characteristics who are under one year of age, unless the procedure is a surgery required to address an immediate risk of physical harm.	HLT, CPC, JHA
<a href="#">HB613</a>	RELATING TO HOMELESS YOUTH. Appropriates funds to the Department of Human Services to provide emergency shelter and services to unaccompanied homeless youth.	HSH, FIN

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<a href="#">HB614</a>	<p>RELATING TO HATE CRIMES. Defines "reported hate crime". Requires reporting of all possible reported hate crimes to appropriate authorities, including consistent documentation and analysis of such incidents. Requires law enforcement officers to receive annual training to identify, investigate, and document hate crimes and possible hate crimes. Requires the Attorney General to establish or update guidelines, protocols, and training materials for the reporting and investigation of hate crimes and possible hate crimes.</p>	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB615</a>	<p>RELATING TO HEALTH CARE. Expands the protections established under Act 2, SLH 2023, to include gender-affirming health care services. Clarifies jurisdiction under the Uniform Child-Custody Jurisdiction and Enforcement Act for cases involving children who obtain gender-affirming health care services.</p>	HLT/HSR, CPC, JHA
<a href="#">HB616</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE SAFETY OF EDUCATIONAL WORKERS. Requires the Department of Education and public charter schools to take certain steps to report incidents of harassment and implement procedures for handling harassment of educational workers.</p>	EDN, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB617</a>	<p>RELATING TO NURSING. Appropriates funds to establish the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree program at the University of Hawaii Maui College. Appropriates funds.</p>	HED, FIN
<a href="#">HB618</a>	<p>RELATING TO HAZARD PAY BONUS. Appropriates funds for a one-time hazard pay bonus to state officers and employees in bargaining units 5, 6, and 7, and their excluded counterparts under certain conditions.</p>	LAB, EDN/HED, FIN
<a href="#">HB619</a>	<p>RELATING TO EDUCATION. Requires the Board of Education to adopt and enact a policy by the 2026-2027 school year directing Department of Education public schools to incorporate financial literacy education in the school's curriculum.</p>	EDN, FIN

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<a href="#">HB620</a>	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Establishes state policy to promote braille literacy for eligible blind students. Requires the individualized education programs and section 504 plans of eligible blind students to include the assessment and evaluation of eligible blind students' reading and writing abilities, instruction of braille, and provision of braille instructional materials under certain circumstances. Requires the Department of Education to establish a Braille Literacy Resource Center. Appropriates funds.	EDN, FIN
<a href="#">HB621</a>	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Requires and appropriates funds to pay salary differentials to English language educators as an incentive to attract and retain these educators. Appropriates funds.	EDN, FIN
<a href="#">HB622</a>	RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. Changes the due date of the Department of Education's computer science legislative report from June 30 to twenty days prior to the start of each legislative regular session.	EDN
<a href="#">HB623</a>	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Requires the Board of Education to adopt a policy that bans the use of phones and related devices by students during school hours.	EDN, JHA
<a href="#">HB624</a>	RELATING TO SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGISTS. Creates a School Psychologists Working Group to recommend actionable steps or propose legislation for an immediate pathway to licensure for school psychologists that can be acted upon in 2026.	EDN, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB625</a>	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Establishes a nationally certified school psychologist incentive program. Appropriates funds for the incentive program.	EDN, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB626</a>	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Appropriates funds to the Department of Education for the Department's Ho'ākea Program.	EDN, FIN
<a href="#">HB627</a>	RELATING TO SCHOOL SAFETY. Appropriates funds to the Department of Education for positions to implement and maintain school safety measures.	EDN, FIN

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<a href="#">HB628</a>	<p>RELATING TO EDUCATION. Authorizes the Department of Education to establish a program to award high school diplomas to persons who did not receive a diploma as a result of compulsory or voluntary induction into the armed services and persons whose high school education was interrupted due to wartime practices during World War II, the Korean War, or the Vietnam War.</p>	EDN, PBS, FIN
<a href="#">HB629</a>	<p>RELATING TO THERAPY SERVICES. Expands the scopes of practice for occupational therapists, physical therapists, and speech pathologists employed by or contracted with the Department of Education to diagnose students with a medical condition in an educational setting and treat the students.</p>	EDN, CPC
<a href="#">HB630</a>	<p>RELATING TO COMMON INTEREST COMMUNITIES. Provides for the administrative dissolution of any planned community association or condominium association in existence as of 7/1/2027. Provides the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs the powers currently provided to planned community associations and condominium associations under chapters 421J and 514B, HRS, and each planned community's or condominium's bylaws and other governing documents. Requires the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs to submit a report and proposed legislation to the Legislature with recommendations to administer planned communities and condominiums.</p>	CPC, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB631</a>	<p>RELATING TO COMMON INTEREST COMMUNITIES. Prohibits condominium associations and planned community associations from requiring a unit owner to pay a filing fee, application fee, or other similar fee, when applying to improve, alter, repair, or renovate a portion of the unit owner's unit or other real property, including an exterior portion of the unit.</p>	CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB632</a>	<p>RELATING TO CONDOMINIUMS. Prohibits a condominium association or its board of directors from enforcing de minimis violation of association bylaws, rules, or regulations. Defines "de minimis violations". Requires condominium associations to provide persons accused of violations the right to appeal to the board of directors. Requires a condominium to disclose this right of appeal to alleged violators.</p>	CPC, JHA
<a href="#">HB633</a>	<p>RELATING TO FIREWORKS. Prohibits fireworks. Imposes penalties.</p>	JHA, FIN

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<a href="#">HB634</a>	<p>RELATING TO DANGEROUS DOGS. Increase penalties for bodily injuries to humans caused by unprovoked dangerous dog bites resulting from dog owner negligence.</p>	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB635</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD-TENANT CODE. Allows tenants who prevail in a lawsuit for a violation of the Residential Landlord-Tenant Code to be awarded damages, reasonable attorney's fees, and costs of the suit.</p>	CPC, JHA
<a href="#">HB636</a>	<p>RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT. Establishes a school capital improvement project modernization initiative in the School Facilities Authority to create a planning database for school facilities. Appropriates funds.</p>	EDN, FIN
<a href="#">HB637</a>	<p>RELATING TO EDUCATION. Requires the Department of Education to implement dyslexia-sensitive universal screenings and evidence-based interventions, offer professional development on structured literacy and evidenced-based interventions, and support pre-teacher programs in training candidates in structured literary instruction.</p>	EDN, FIN
<a href="#">HB638</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD-TENANT CODE. Prohibits a landlord or the landlord's agent from charging an application fee for a criminal background check or credit report if an applicant provides a certified copy of a criminal background check or credit report. Prohibits a landlord or the landlord's agent from charging an application fee if a comprehensive reusable tenant screening report is available. Requires a landlord or the landlord's agent to provide, upon request, a certified copy of an applicant's criminal background check or credit report.</p>	CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB639</a>	<p>RELATING TO ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE. Requires corporations, organizations, or individuals engaging to commercial transactions or trade practices to clearly and conspicuously notify consumers when the consumer is interacting with an artificial intelligence chatbot or other technology capable of mimicking human behaviors. Authorizes private rights of action. Establishes statutory penalties.</p>	ECD, CPC, FIN

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<a href="#">HB640</a>	<p>RELATING TO CHILD WELFARE. Requires specialized training for all employees of the Office of the Ombudsman to develop relevant expertise to handle complaints about the child welfare system. Requires the Office of the Ombudsman to publish a quarterly report on its website that identifies the number and nature of complaints that it receives regarding the Child Welfare Services Branch of the Department of Human Services. Requires the Child Welfare Services Branch of the Department of Human Services to provide notification that complaints can also be filed with the Office of the Ombudsman. Appropriates funds.</p>	LMG, HSH, FIN
<a href="#">HB641</a>	<p>RELATING TO HEALTH. Beginning 1/1/2026, requires health insurers and mutual benefit societies to provide coverage for traditional native Hawaiian healing and cultural practices offered through a Federally Qualified Health Center or a Native Hawaiian Health Care System.</p>	HLT, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB642</a>	<p>RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE RULES. Requires all state agencies adopting, amending, or repealing a rule to make the full text of the rules of the agency available on the website of the Office of the Lieutenant Governor in a digitally accessible and searchable format.</p>	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB643</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE COCONUT RHINOCEROS BEETLE PROGRAM. Establishes short-term management initiatives for the coconut rhinoceros beetle response program. Appropriates funds for activities and positions related to coconut rhinoceros beetle infestation control.</p>	AGR, HED, FIN
<a href="#">HB644</a>	<p>RELATING TO SINGLE-USE PLASTICS. After 1/1/2026, prohibits businesses where food or beverages are packaged and sold on the business' premises for individual consumption from using, selling, or distributing certain disposable or single-use food ware and beverage service items, including items containing PFAS.</p>	EEP, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB645</a>	<p>RELATING TO HOMELESS YOUTH. Appropriates funds to the Department of Human Services to provide emergency shelter and services to unaccompanied homeless youth.</p>	HSH, FIN

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<a href="#">HB646</a>	RELATING TO SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME. Requires the Department of Human Services to automatically enroll, or authorize the Social Security Administration to automatically enroll, in the State's Medicaid program any individual in the State who receives federal Supplemental Security Income benefits. Requires reports to the Legislature.	HSH, FIN
<a href="#">HB647</a>	RELATING TO MARRIAGE OF MINORS. Raises the minimum age requirement to enter into marriage from sixteen to eighteen years of age. Removes the parental consent and written approval by the family court requirements for a minor to marry. Removes spousal cohabitation after the parties attain legal age as an exception for an annulment based on nonage. Makes conforming amendments.	HLT, JHA
<a href="#">HB648</a>	RELATING TO GUARDIANSHIP AND CONSERVATORSHIP SERVICES. Establishes a two-year pilot program in the Probate Court and Family Court of the First Circuit to fund certain guardianship and conservatorship related court resources in situations where the respondent does not have sufficient funds to pay for one or more of the resources and the court has deemed the resource or resources beneficial. Requires the Judiciary to submit reports to the Governor and Legislature. Appropriates funds.	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB649</a>	RELATING TO SMALL BOAT HARBORS. Increases harbor fees for commercial vessels. Requires that revenue from the fee increase be used by the Department of Land and Natural Resources for improvements that primarily benefit commercial vessels that utilize state small boat harbors. Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds with debt service to be paid from special funds, for repairs of various harbors. Appropriates funds.	WAL, FIN
<a href="#">HB650</a>	RELATING TO SEA SALT PRODUCTS. Appropriates moneys to the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism for providing education and support to local businesses regarding the United States Food and Drug Administration's guidance on colored sea salt.	ECD, FIN
<a href="#">HB651</a>	RELATING TO CONSERVATION BANKING. Authorizes the Department of Land and Natural Resources to operate and approve conservation banks and amends the Endangered Species Recovery Committee's membership and scope of authority. Effective upon approval.	EED, WAL, FIN

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<a href="#"><u>HB652</u></a>	RELATING TO VETERANS RIGHTS AND BENEFITS. Regulates persons receiving compensation for providing advice or assistance regarding veterans benefits.	PBS, CPC, JHA
<a href="#"><u>HB653</u></a>	RELATING TO NON-GENERAL FUNDS. Closes or reclassifies certain non-general funds of the Department of Land and Natural Resources, pursuant to certain recommendations made by the Auditor in Auditor's Report No. 24-08.	WAL, FIN
<a href="#"><u>HB654</u></a>	RELATING TO SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA MINOR PERMITS. Amends the definition of "special management area minor permit", in section 205A-22, HRS, to mean an action by the applicable authority authorizing: (1) Development, the valuation of which does not exceed \$1,000,000, and that has no substantial adverse environmental or ecological effect, taking into account potential cumulative effects; or (2) Construction or reconstruction of single-family residential use that is less than 7,500 square feet of floor area in aggregate; is situated on a shoreline parcel or a parcel that is impacted by waves, storm surges, high tide, or shoreline erosion; and is not part of a larger development.	HSG, WAL, JHA
<a href="#"><u>HB655</u></a>	RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES. Limits the required payment of certain unpaid motor vehicle taxes and fees and accompanying financial penalties to those incurred during the most recent 5 consecutive years of delinquency.	TRN, JHA, FIN
<a href="#"><u>HB656</u></a>	RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF VETERANS' SERVICES. Appropriates moneys to the Office of Veterans' Services to perform its statutory duties, including maintaining a center that provides information, counsel, aid, and assistance to veterans, their families, and their dependents; and cooperating with federal agencies responsible for the administration of rights and benefits granted to veterans, their families, and their dependents.	PBS, FIN
<a href="#"><u>HB657</u></a>	RELATING TO DISABLED VETERANS. Exempts disabled veterans from the State's vehicle weight tax and repeals the exemption for disabled veterans from the State's annual vehicle registration fee.	PBS, TRN, FIN
<a href="#"><u>HB658</u></a>	RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW. Clarifies the scope of an action subject to environmental review.	EEP, JHA

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<a href="#">HB659</a>	RELATING TO HURRICANE RESISTANT CRITERIA. Requires the State to consider hurricane resistant criteria when designing and constructing new state buildings, constructed on or after 7/1/2025, for the capability of providing shelter refuge.	PBS, HSG, FIN
<a href="#">HB660</a>	RELATING TO LAND COURT. Repeals the Land Court. Requires registered owners of an interest in property registered in land court to deregister their interest. Requires the land court to inform registered owners of the requirement to deregister. Appropriates moneys.	WAL, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB661</a>	RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW. Permits, except in certain circumstances, a previously authorized activity challenged as being subject to environmental review to continue while the applicable agency conducts an environmental assessment, prepares an environmental impact statement, or determines whether the activity is exempt.	EEP/WAL, JHA
<a href="#">HB662</a>	RELATING TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE. Repeals the exemption for the expenditure of candidate's own funds under the definition of contribution. Makes contributions by the candidate's immediate family subject to contribution limits. Amends the loan amount that a candidate or candidate committee may receive from the candidate's own funds or immediate family.	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB663</a>	RELATING TO SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES. Authorizes the issuance of special number vehicle license plates commemorating the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.	CAA, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB664</a>	RELATING TO GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION. Establishes the Office of Gun Violence Prevention to conduct community outreach on gun violence prevention, develop and administer a grant program for gun violence prevention, and develop and administer a gun violence resource bank. Establishes the Gun Violence Prevention Special Fund and appropriates funds into and out of the special fund. Appropriates funds.	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB665</a>	RELATING TO DATA SHARING. Establishes a data sharing and governance working group within the office of enterprise technology services. Appropriates funds.	ECD, FIN
<a href="#">HB666</a>	RELATING TO AIRCRAFT. Requires the Director of Transportation to adopt rules that require tour aircraft operators to have aircraft liability insurance coverage no less than \$5,000,000 per person per incident.	TRN, CPC

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<a href="#">HB667</a>	RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION. Requires the Department of Transportation or appropriate county department when disposing of a deceased cat or dog from a public roadway to scan the animal for a microchip, record certain information, and report that information to the appropriate county animal services or animal service contractors. Appropriates funds.	TRN, FIN
<a href="#">HB668</a>	RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE. Makes mandatory the suspension of the driver's license of a driver or registered owner of a vehicle for operating a motor vehicle without a motor vehicle insurance policy.	TRN, JHA
<a href="#">HB669</a>	RELATING TO NUISANCE ABATEMENT. Requires the court to impose a mandatory fine per violation for nuisance abatement laws related to gambling offenses. Allows citizens who bring civil nuisance abatement suits against places used for illegal gambling the same rights and protections as those afforded to victims and witnesses in criminal proceedings.	JHA
<a href="#">HB670</a>	RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION. Renames the Electric Bicycle and Electric Moped Rebate Program to the Electric Mobility Device Rebate Program. Expands eligibility and amends the maximum rebate amount.	TRN, FIN
<a href="#">HB671</a>	RELATING TO NATIVE HAWAIIANS. Requires the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to identify all legislative districts in the State in which a majority of the population consists of Native Hawaiians. Designates these districts as Native Hawaiian majority districts.	ECD, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB672</a>	RELATING TO PUBLIC ASSISTANCE. Allows the Department of Human Services to administer and provide public assistance to eligible residents of the State during a Governor-Declared State of Emergency.	HSB, PBS, FIN
<a href="#">HB673</a>	RELATING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT. Amends chapter 127A, HRS, to clarify State and local authority. Prohibits the Governor or Mayor from suspending requests for public records or vital specifics during a state of emergency. Adds definition of the term "severe warning". Allows the Legislature and city councils to terminate a state of emergency, in whole or in part, issued by the Governor or Mayor, respectively.	PBS, JHA

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<a href="#">HB674</a>	RELATING TO THE HAWAII NATIONAL GUARD. Authorizes the payment of allowances for TRICARE, TRICARE Dental Program, and vision coverage to all officers, warrant officers, and enlisted personnel of the Hawaii National Guard ordered to active duty for more than 30 days.	PBS, FIN
<a href="#">HB675</a>	RELATING TO BAIL. Requires judges to make certain findings regarding a defendant's ability to afford bail.	JHA
<a href="#">HB676</a>	RELATING TO YOUTH AND ADULT CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES. Requires the State's youth and adult correctional facilities to provide free and accessible voice communication services for incarcerated persons in state correctional facilities. Prohibits any state agency from deriving revenue or financial benefit from the provision of communication services to persons confined in state correctional facilities. Requires the Public Utilities Commission to establish service quality standards and rules for the free voice communication services. Requires a report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds.	PBS/SHS, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB677</a>	RELATING TO IDENTIFICATION. Requires the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, in collaboration with various agencies and upon request of the inmates, to assist inmates in obtaining the inmates' civil identification card, birth certificate, social security card, and other relevant identification necessary for successful reentry into society, as soon as practicable. Requires the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to initiate the process of obtaining identifying documents for inmates released to work furlough, extended furlough, or community placement programs, by providing the forms necessary for the inmate to obtain civil identification cards and other identifying documents to the inmate as soon as practicable.	PBS, JHA
<a href="#">HB678</a>	RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY. Short form bill relating to public safety.	PBS
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<a href="#">HB680</a>	RELATING TO EMERGENCIES. Short form bill relating to emergencies.	PBS
<a href="#">HB681</a>	RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS. Short form bill relating to military affairs.	PBS

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<a href="#">HB682</a>	RELATING TO VETERANS. Short form bill relating to veterans.	PBS
<a href="#">HB683</a>	RELATING TO STUDENT TRANSPORTATION. Establishes and appropriates funds for student transportation coordinators positions within the Department of Education to strengthen student transportation services across the State.	EDN, FIN
<a href="#">HB684</a>	RELATING TO INCOME. Implements a phased elimination of the tip credit.	LAB, FIN
<a href="#">HB685</a>	RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT. Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds to the Agribusiness Development Corporation for the purchase of a land parcel in Kau for agricultural development.	LAB, FIN
<a href="#">HB686</a>	RELATING TO COMMUNITY OUTREACH BOARDS. Defines community outreach board to mean a board established to serve in a community advisory capacity under a county commission or a county department. Includes community outreach boards in existing provisions of the Sunshine Law relating to neighborhood boards. Authorizes neighborhood board and community outreach board members to organize meetings or presentations related to official board business statewide.	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB687</a>	RELATING TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. For the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, requires the Department of Human Services to: (1) prorate or exclude certain income from household members who are ineligible for the Program; (2) establish a standardized medical expense deduction option for elderly or disabled household members; (3) establish a pre-release Program application form for individuals who are incarcerated and scheduled for release; and (4) report to the Legislature. Specifies that, for purposes of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, the federal restriction of providing Program benefits to certain individuals does not apply in Hawaii.	HSB, FIN
<a href="#">HB688</a>	RELATING TO COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS. Requires the Department of Health to establish and administer a three-year Rural Community Health Worker Pilot Program that enables community health workers to provide outreach, education, training, and navigation to individuals residing in rural communities in the State and address social determinants of health. Appropriates funds.	HLT, FIN

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<a href="#">HB689</a>	RELATING TO SEXUAL EXPLOITATION. Establishes safe harbor protections for survivors of sexual exploitation who seek medical or law enforcement assistance.	HSH, JHA
<a href="#">HB690</a>	RELATING TO TAXATION. Creates an alternative water source income tax credit for taxpayers who install, place in service, or repair a water catchment system or who purchase water delivery services.	WAL, ECD, FIN
<a href="#">HB691</a>	RELATING TO THE CAMPAIGN SPENDING COMMISSION. Appropriates funds to the campaign spending commission for permanent positions.	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB692</a>	RELATING TO THE PRESCHOOL OPEN DOORS PROGRAM. Expands the preschool open door program's eligibility criteria. Repeals the requirement that open door program providers be accredited.	HSH, FIN
<a href="#">HB693</a>	RELATING TO THE RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD-TENANT CODE. Restricts how much and how often a landlord may increase rent over the course of a twelve month period.	CPC, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB694</a>	RELATING TO A CHILD TAX CREDIT. Establishes a refundable child tax credit. Applies to taxable years beginning after 12/31/2025.	ECD, FIN
<a href="#">HB695</a>	RELATING TO PAID FAMILY LEAVE. By 1/1/2027, requires the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to establish a family and medical leave insurance program and begin collecting payroll contributions to finance payment of benefits. By 1/1/2028, requires the Department to start receiving claims and paying benefits under the program. Specifies eligibility requirements and employee protections under the program.	LAB, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB696</a>	RELATING TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. Requires the Department of Human Services to adjust the minimum certification periods for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits households, participate in the Elderly Simplified Application Project, and report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds to the Department of Human Services to improve Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program rates, including establishing additional positions.	HSH, FIN

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<a href="#">HB697</a>	RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION. Allows authorized employees of the Department of Transportation and Department of Law Enforcement to inspect and provide a certificate of certain evidence of speed limit violations obtained by automated speed enforcement systems. Appropriates funds to the Department of Transportation to establish and implement the automated speed enforcement systems program.	TRN, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB698</a>	RELATING TO ANIMAL CRUELTY. Amends the criminal penalties for various animal cruelty offenses by increasing the category of offense.	JHA
<a href="#">HB699</a>	RELATING TO PET ANIMALS. Prohibits insurers from refusing to issue or renew, canceling, restricting, otherwise terminating, or charging higher rates for a commercial general liability insurance policy, homeowners insurance policy, renters insurance policy, or dwelling fire policy based on the breed of any dog that is kept on the insured premises. Prohibits landlords from charging additional monthly fees for the keeping of a pet animal, except in certain circumstances. Prohibits landlords from charging more than one-third of one month's rent as an additional pet animal security deposit.	CPC, JHA
<a href="#">HB700</a>	RELATING TO COGNITIVE ASSESSMENTS. Requires all health care providers who accept Medicare to provide a cognitive assessment as part of the Medicare Part B annual wellness visit for Medicare beneficiaries sixty-five years of age or older, with certain exceptions. Requires health care providers to submit certain information to the Executive Office on Aging and the Executive Office on Aging to report de-identified aggregated data to the Legislature on an annual basis. Appropriates funds. Effective 1/1/2026.	HLT/HSB, FIN
<a href="#">HB701</a>	RELATING TO TAXATION. Establishes a refundable Family Caregiver Tax Credit for nonpaid family caregivers. Requires the Department of Taxation to report to the Legislature before the convening of each Regular Session.	HSB, ECD, FIN
<a href="#">HB702</a>	RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES. Appropriates funds to increase the funding for Medicaid in-home services, conditioned on the Department of Human Services obtaining the maximum federal matching funds.	HSB, FIN

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<a href="#">HB703</a>	RELATING TO KUPUNA HOUSING. Extends the sunset date for the State Rent Supplement Program for Kupuna to 6/30/2028.	HSH, FIN
<a href="#">HB704</a>	RELATING TO FOOD SECURITY. Establishes the Hawaii Food Security Special Fund to restore Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefit levels to those provided in federal fiscal year 2023. Requires reports to the Legislature. Appropriates funds.	HSH, FIN
<a href="#">HB705</a>	RELATING TO THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE ON AGING. Establishes a temporary Medi-Medi Project within the Hawaii State Health Insurance Assistance Program administered by the Executive Office on Aging to assist older adults, Medicare beneficiaries, individuals with disabilities, and other underserved populations who may qualify for various low-income subsidy programs to gain access to their benefits. Requires the Executive Office on Aging to submit reports to the Legislature. Appropriates funds.	HSH, FIN
<a href="#">HB706</a>	RELATING TO HIGHWAY SAFETY. Requires all skateboard users under the age of sixteen to wear a helmet while operating a skateboard.	TRN, JHA
<a href="#">HB707</a>	RELATING TO THE COLLEGE SAVINGS PROGRAM. Establishes a state income tax deduction for contributions made to Hawaii 529 accounts through the college savings program. Conforms to the amendments of the Internal Revenue Code that authorize 529 benefits to be used for K-12 educational expenses.	HED, FIN
<a href="#">HB708</a>	RELATING TO INSURANCE. Imposes insurance coverage as a prerequisite for the operation of electric bicycles in the State. Establishes a regulatory framework for electric bicycle insurance. Effective 1/1/2026.	TRN, JHA, CPC
<a href="#">HB709</a>	RELATING TO TRESPASSING. Establishes a limited alternative process to remove unauthorized persons from residential real property.	HSG, JHA
<a href="#">HB710</a>	RELATING TO INSURANCE. Prohibits health insurers, mutual benefit societies, and health maintenance organizations from arbitrarily denying coverage requests for gender affirming health care services when the requested service is known to be considered a standard of care and for which scientific evidence exists that supports the service. Increases transparency of insurance carrier medical necessity reviews and requirements when coverage is denied.	HLT, JHA, CPC

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<a href="#">HB711</a>	<p>RELATED TO DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE. Requires defendants convicted of causing the death of a parent or legal guardian of a minor child by the operation of a vehicle in a negligent manner while under the influence of drugs or alcohol to make restitution in the form of financial support to each surviving child of the victim.</p>	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB712</a>	<p>RELATING TO HEALTH. Prohibits drug manufacturers and wholesale distributors from restricting or denying access for pharmacies contracted with 340B covered entities to purchase 340B drugs at a discounted price under the federal 340B Drug Pricing Program. Imposes civil penalties for engaging in unfair or deceptive acts or practices in the conduct of any trade or commerce.</p>	HLT, CPC, JHA
<a href="#">HB713</a>	<p>RELATING TO A RATE STUDY FOR HOME HEALTH SERVICES. Appropriates funding for the Department of Human Services to conduct a rate study for Medicaid home health services in Hawaii.</p>	HSB, FIN
<a href="#">HB714</a>	<p>RELATING TO HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT. Appropriates funds to support educational training programs to expand the State's health care workforce. Allocates funds to the Department of Education for health care certificate programs and classroom renovations for health care training in public high schools. Allocates funds to the University of Hawaii for education programs that support certified nurse assistants in becoming licensed practical nurses.</p>	HLT, HED/EDN, FIN
<a href="#">HB715</a>	<p>RELATING TO VITAL STATISTICS. Requires the Department of Health to issue a certificate of stillbirth, upon request of the parent or parents named on a fetal death certificate issued in the case of a stillbirth. Appropriates funds.</p>	HLT, FIN
<a href="#">HB716</a>	<p>RELATING TO HEALTH. Establishes the Health Infrastructure Grant Program within the Department of Health, to be administered by the State Health Planning and Development Agency, to support health information technology infrastructure and the implementation of interoperable health information technologies in federally qualified health centers, rural health clinics, Ryan White HIV/AIDS program centers, and Native Hawaiian health centers. Appropriates funds for the grant program.</p>	HLT, FIN

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<a href="#">HB717</a>	RELATING TO CONSUMER PROTECTION. Beginning 1/1/2026, requires kratom products to be registered with the Department of Health and imposes labeling requirements.	HLT, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB718</a>	RELATING TO POSITIONS AT THE JOHN A. BURNS SCHOOL OF MEDICINE. Appropriates funds to the University of Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine for faculty positions in the fields of cardiovascular biology, tropical medicine, and quantitative health biostatistics, and an environmental health and safety officer staff position.	HED, FIN
<a href="#">HB719</a>	RELATING TO ANIMAL FUR PRODUCTS. Prohibits the sale, offer, possession with intent to sell, display, distribution, or trade of fur products in the State, with certain exceptions. Establishes civil penalties for violations. Effective 6/30/2025.	AGR, CPC, JHA
<a href="#">HB720</a>	RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES. Amend the State's regulation of sun screening devices on motor vehicles by lowering the allowable amount of light transmittance for vehicle windows from 35%, plus or minus 6%, to 25%, plus or minus 5%.	TRN, CPC, JHA
<a href="#">HB721</a>	RELATING TO PUBLIC BANKING. Establishes a state-owned bank implementation board within the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs to determine the need for, potential costs and benefits of, and prerequisites to establishing a state-owned bank. Requires a report to the legislature.	CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB722</a>	RELATING TO UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS. Allows striking workers to be eligible for unemployment benefits.	LAB, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB723</a>	RELATING TO PROCUREMENT. Mandates state agencies to prioritize purchasing from local vendors whenever feasible. Allows state agencies to split contracts across multiple local vendors to enhance participation and competitiveness. Specifies when contracts may be awarded to multiple vendors.	LAB, FIN

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<a href="#">HB724</a>	<p>RELATING TO OPEN MEETINGS. Amends the definition of a "board" under the Sunshine Law to include the Legislature. Clarifies notice period requirements. Repeals the Legislature's exemption from the Sunshine Law. Repeals the exemption for permitted interactions between board members.</p>	LMG, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB725</a>	<p>RELATING TO MEDICAID. Appropriates funds to increase the funding of certain Medicaid home and community-based services, including adult day programs and residential services offered in community care foster family homes and expanded adult residential care homes.</p>	HSH, FIN
<a href="#">HB726</a>	<p>RELATING TO A STATEWIDE DATA AND ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE GOVERNANCE AND DECISION INTELLIGENCE CENTER. Establishes and appropriates funds for a data and artificial intelligence governance and decision intelligence center and necessary positions to improve data quality and data sharing statewide.</p>	ECD, FIN
<a href="#">HB727</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE WOMEN'S COURT. Establishes a temporary three-year woman's court pilot program within the second, third, and fifth circuits. Establishes temporary positions. Requires a report. Appropriates funds. Sunsets 6/30/2028.</p>	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB728</a>	<p>PROPOSING A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII TO PROTECT THE RIGHT TO REPRODUCTIVE FREEDOM. Amends the Hawaii State Constitution to prohibit the State from denying or interfering with an individual's reproductive freedom, including the right to choose to obtain an abortion and to obtain or use contraceptives.</p>	HLT, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB729</a>	<p>RELATING TO MARRIAGE OF MINORS. Raises the minimum age to enter into marriage from sixteen to eighteen years of age. Repeals the authority of parents and the family court to consent to a minor's marriage. Repeals spousal cohabitation after the parties attain legal age as an exception for an annulment based on nonage. Makes conforming amendments.</p>	HLT, JHA
<a href="#">HB730</a>	<p>RELATING TO EDUCATION. Establishes, and appropriates funds for, five full-time equivalent (5.0 FTE) positions within the Civil Rights Compliance Branch of the Department of Education.</p>	EDN, FIN

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<a href="#">HB731</a>	<p>RELATING TO MINORS. Authorizes a physician, upon consultation with a minor patient who indicates that the minor was the victim of a sexual offense, with the consent of the minor patient, to perform customary and necessary examinations to obtain evidence of the sexual offense and may prescribe for and treat the patient for any immediate condition caused by the sexual offense. Provides that the consent of the parent, parents, or legal guardian of a minor offender who has been committed to the Hawaii youth correctional facilities is not necessary in order to authorize hospital, medical, mental health, dental, emergency health, or emergency surgical care.</p>	HSH, CPC, JHA
<a href="#">HB732</a>	<p>RELATING TO SHORELINE MANAGEMENT AREAS. Requires the valuation of development that determines the necessity of a special management area minor permit or special management area use permit to be adjusted annually for inflation.</p>	WAL, JHA
<a href="#">HB733</a>	<p>RELATING TO ELECTRIC VEHICLE PARKING. Removes the exemption that allowed owners of multiple parking facilities within the State to designate and electrify fewer parking spaces than required in one or more of the properties if the requirement for the total number of aggregate spaces on all of their owned properties was met. Authorizes the counties to adopt ordinances to regulate electric vehicle charging systems for places of public accommodation with fewer than one hundred parking spaces.</p>	EEP, JHA
<a href="#">HB734</a>	<p>RELATING TO WASTEWATER SYSTEMS. Requires the Department of Health, in consultation with various agencies and professionals, to review rules and practices and propose changes that have the potential to make wastewater systems and cesspool upgrades more affordable without compromising water quality. Appropriates funds.</p>	EEP, WAL, FIN
<a href="#">HB735</a>	<p>RELATING TO WASTEWATER. Allows an individual wastewater system to serve up to five bedrooms, regardless of the number of dwelling units or accessory units, whether attached or detached. Permits, until 6/30/2030, certain new buildings constructed within a priority level 3 area, as designated by the Hawaii cesspool prioritization tool, that contain up to five bedrooms to be served by an existing cesspool.</p>	EEP, WAL, FIN

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<a href="#">HB736</a>	<p>RELATING TO WASTEWATER SYSTEMS. Establishes and appropriates funds for a three-year new wastewater system and individual wastewater system technology testing pilot program within the University of Hawaii Water Resources Research Center. Requires interim and final reports to the Legislature.</p>	EEP, HED, FIN
<a href="#">HB737</a>	<p>HISTORIC PRESERVATION. Redefines "historic property" with respect to the State Historic Preservation Program. Requires historic review for proposed projects on existing privately-owned single-family detached dwelling units or townhouses only if the unit or townhouse is historic property, rather than over 50 years old.</p>	WAL, JHA
<a href="#">HB738</a>	<p>RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION. Creates a process for expediting the review of residential transit-oriented development on certain parcels within county-designated transit oriented development zones that have a low risk of affecting historically significant resources. Authorizes lead agencies, including county governments, to make determinations on the potential effects of a project. Creates a ninety-day limit to concur or not concur with project effect determinations. Provides that projects with written concurrence are exempt from further review unless there is a significant change to the project or additional historic properties, aviation artifacts, or burial sites are identified within the project area.</p>	WAL, HSG, JHA
<a href="#">HB739</a>	<p>RELATING TO HOUSING. Establishes the Kamaaina Homes Program to provide funding to the counties to purchase voluntary deed restrictions from eligible homeowners or homebuyers.</p>	HSG, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB740</a>	<p>RELATING TO HOUSING. Establishes the Accessory Dwelling Unit Financing and Deed Restriction Program to allocate funds to the counties to provide grants to eligible homeowners or homebuyers to finance construction costs, development costs, and non-reoccurring closing costs associated with the construction of an accessory dwelling unit and purchase deed restrictions on such property.</p>	HSG, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB741</a>	<p>RELATING TO HOUSING. Exempts certain projects funded by the Affordable Homeownership Revolving Fund from prevailing wages provisions.</p>	HSG, LAB, FIN

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<a href="#">HB742</a>	RELATING TO TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT. Requires the Hawaii Community Development Authority to prepare environmental impact statements for the Iwilei/Kapalama and University of Hawaii West Oahu transit-oriented development infrastructure improvement districts on the island of Oahu.	EEP, WAL, FIN
<a href="#">HB743</a>	RELATING TO FISCAL SUSTAINABILITY. Requires the Office of Planning and Sustainable Development to develop a model that assesses the fiscal impacts of land use development projects and regional infrastructure investments. Appropriates funds.	WAL, FIN
<a href="#">HB744</a>	RELATING TO THE DWELLING UNIT REVOLVING FUND. Makes the Dwelling Unit Revolving Fund Equity Pilot Program permanent. Allows partial or full repayment of Dwelling Unit Revolving Fund interim loans in the form of unit equity through the Dwelling Unit Revolving Fund Equity Program. Gives preference to projects developed under governmental assistance programs pursuant to section 201H-36(a)(2).	HSG, FIN
<a href="#">HB745</a>	RELATING TO BUILDING CODES. Beginning 1/1/2028, makes the most recent Hawaii state building codes adopted by the state building code council supersede all existing county building codes and thereafter allows counties to remove requirements of the state building codes or add requirements to the state building codes only with prior council approval. Repeals the counties' authority to adopt, amend, and update the Hawaii state building codes for their respective county building codes.	HSG, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB746</a>	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Appropriates funds to the Department of Education to transition the Red Raider Productions student organization at Kauai High School into a learning center through the Department of Education's learning centers program.	EDN, FIN
<a href="#">HB747</a>	RELATING TO HUMAN REMAINS. Allows for the use of natural organic reduction for the treatment and disposal of human remains.	HLT, CPC, JHA
<a href="#">HB748</a>	RELATING TO WASTE OR DISPOSAL FACILITIES. Prohibits the construction, modification, or expansion of any waste or disposal facility on land that is near or above a significant aquifer as determined by the Department of Health. Reduces the required buffer zone around waste or disposal facilities.	EEP, WAL, JHA

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<a href="#">HB749</a>	<p>RELATING TO CESSPOOLS. Creates within the Department of Health's Wastewater Branch a Cesspool Conversion Section, which shall be responsible for facilitating the conversion of cesspools within the State. Establishes and appropriates funds for positions within the Cesspool Conversion Section.</p>	EEP, HLT, FIN
<a href="#">HB750</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENT. Requires the Department of Health to conduct a statewide needs assessment to determine what will be needed to reduce waste generation, increase reuse, improve recycling collection services, and expand local processing of materials through an extended producer responsibility program for packaging materials and paper products. Establishes an advisory council to review the draft needs assessment and propose recommendations throughout the assessment process. Appropriates funds.</p>	EEP, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB751</a>	<p>RELATING TO ORGANIC WASTE. Establishes statewide goals for solid waste reduction and organic waste diversion. Requires each county to incorporate into its next integrated solid waste management plan revision a plan to divert certain organic waste generated within the county in alignment with established state benchmarks. Appropriates funds.</p>	EEP, FIN
<a href="#">HB752</a>	<p>RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP FEES. Effective 7/1/2027, establishes the Environmental Stewardship Fee Program within the Department of Land and Natural Resources, through which the Department will collect a fee from visitors for a license to visit a state park, forest, hiking trail, or other state natural area. Establishes the Environmental Stewardship Fee Special Fund effective 7/1/2025. Allocates a certain amount of transient accommodations tax revenues to the special fund. Requires report to the Legislature on strategic plan and timetable for objectives and implementation of the environmental stewardship fee program. Appropriates funds for the environmental stewardship fee strategic plan and positions for the Environmental Stewardship Fee Program.</p>	TOU, WAL, FIN

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<a href="#">HB753</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE HOUSEHOLD AND DEPENDENT CARE SERVICES TAX CREDIT.</p> <p>Increases a taxpayer's applicable percentage of employment-related expenses that is used to calculate the household and dependent care services tax credit. Extends the sunset date of the temporary increase in maximum employment-related expenses that are used to calculate the household and dependent care services tax credit, established by Act 163, SLH 2023, to 6/30/2030. Sunsets 6/30/2030.</p>	HSH, ECD, FIN
<a href="#">HB754</a>	<p>RELATING TO COMMUNITY SCHOOLS.</p> <p>Appropriates funds to the Department of Education for community schools and a program manager position.</p>	EDN, FIN
<a href="#">HB755</a>	<p>RELATING TO PAID FAMILY LEAVE.</p> <p>By 1/1/2028, requires the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to establish a family and medical leave insurance program and begin collecting payroll contributions to finance payment of benefits. By 1/1/2029, requires the Department to start receiving claims and paying benefits under the program. Specifies eligibility requirements and employee protections under the program.</p>	LAB, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB756</a>	<p>RELATING TO HEALTH.</p> <p>Prohibits the sale of flavored nicotine products and the mislabeling of e-liquids as nicotine free. Establishes penalties for violations. Authorizes the Department of Health to appoint, commission, or contract for services of inspectors. Establishes two full-time equivalent program specialist positions and one full-time equivalent hearing officer position. Appropriates funds. Effective 1/1/2026.</p>	HLT, CPC/JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB757</a>	<p>RELATING TO EDUCATION.</p> <p>Beginning with the 2025-2026 school year, requires the Department of Education to provide free breakfast and lunch to all students enrolled in department schools. Appropriates funds.</p>	EDN, FIN
<a href="#">HB758</a>	<p>RELATING TO SEX-BASED DISCRIMINATION.</p> <p>Clarifies and strengthens the State's protections against sex-based harassment, sex discrimination, and retaliation that occur in public schools, public charter schools, or at the University of Hawaii, including discrimination based on gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, pregnancy, and pregnancy-related conditions. Establishes procedures for investigations and decision-making. Requires mandatory reporting by certain employees.</p>	EDN/HED, JHA, FIN

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<a href="#">HB759</a>	<p>RELATING TO TAX HAVEN ABUSE.</p> <p>Part I: Effective 1/1/2026, requires corporations to include in their income the income of all foreign subsidiaries to the State; applies the State's apportionment formula to determine the share of reported profits subject to the appropriate tax, which shall be deposited into the state general fund; and requires corporations to report all profits, losses, revenues, and inter-company transactions made and all taxes paid in other states. Part II: Establishes within DOTAX a Corporate Tax Law Task Force to annually review the State's corporate tax laws and recommend updates to close tax loopholes.</p>	ECD, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB760</a>	<p>RELATING TO TAXATION.</p> <p>Amends the environmental response, energy, and food security tax to address carbon emissions. Incrementally increases the tax rate over time. Establishes a refundable tax credit to mitigate the effect of a carbon emissions tax on lower-income taxpayers. Establishes and appropriates moneys into the carbon emissions tax and dividend special fund. Reenacts the agricultural development and food security special fund. Requires reports to the Legislature.</p>	EEP/AGR, ECD, FIN
<a href="#">HB761</a>	<p>RELATING TO COUNTY PERMITTING AND INSPECTION.</p> <p>Exempts state projects from county building permit, inspection, and certificate of occupancy requirements under certain conditions. Requires counties to accept the dedication of state projects exempt from the county permitting process. Prohibits state agencies responsible for state projects exempt from county building permit, inspection, and certificate of occupancy requirements from applying for county building permits. Defines building permit, state agency, state lands, and state project.</p>	HSG, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB762</a>	<p>RELATING TO HOUSING.</p> <p>Requires eligible applicants of the Rental Housing Revolving Fund to be either governmental agencies or organizations that are required to use all financial surplus to develop additional housing in the State.</p>	HSG, FIN
<a href="#">HB763</a>	<p>RELATING TO CIVIC EDUCATION.</p> <p>Establishes the civic education trust fund to support programs benefiting civic education of public school students. Appropriates funds for the expansion of civic education in the public schools and for two full-time equivalent permanent civic education resource teacher positions.</p>	EDN, FIN

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<a href="#">HB764</a>	<p>PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE III, SECTION 4, OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII TO ESTABLISH TERM LIMITS FOR LEGISLATORS.</p> <p>Proposes a constitutional amendment to limit the terms of members of the Legislature, as provided by law, for terms beginning after the general election of 2028.</p>	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB765</a>	<p>RELATING TO CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS.</p> <p>Prohibits officers, senior employees, consultants, and immediate family members of state or county contractors from contributing to candidate committees or noncandidate committees for the duration of the contract. Provides that if any unlawful contribution is not returned to the contributor within 30 days, the unlawful contribution shall escheat to the Hawaii Election Campaign Fund.</p>	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB766</a>	<p>RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCING OF ELECTIONS.</p> <p>Establishes a comprehensive system of public financing for all candidates seeking election to state and county public offices in Hawaii, to begin with the 2026 general election year. Requires the Campaign Spending Commission to submit reports to the Legislature. Appropriates funds.</p>	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB767</a>	<p>RELATING TO ELECTIONS.</p> <p>Extends from 5 business days to 13 calendar days the time period for ballot curing after the date of election.</p>	JHA
<a href="#">HB768</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE CAMPAIGN SPENDING COMMISSION.</p> <p>Appropriates funds for the establishment of investigator positions in the Campaign Spending Commission.</p>	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB769</a>	<p>RELATING TO ELECTIONS.</p> <p>Establishes a Democracy Dollars Program to be administered by the Campaign Spending Commission to provide vouchers to eligible residents for the purpose of making contributions to certain candidates, beginning with the 2028 elections.</p>	JHA, FIN

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<a href="#">HB770</a>	<p>PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE HAWAII STATE CONSTITUTION TO ESTABLISH A CONTINUOUS LEGISLATIVE SESSION.</p> <p>Establishes a continuous Legislature. Requires the Legislature to convene at least once each month. Repeals language regarding special sessions, adjournment, and recesses. Creates a 2-year deadline for a bill to be submitted for gubernatorial consideration. Standardizes the number of days that the Governor must approve or veto a bill submitted for consideration. Requires the passage of the legislative budget within 45 days before the end of each fiscal year. Prohibits members of the legislature from holding any position of employment in the private sector during their term. Authorizes members to serve in the United States military reserves, National Guard, or hold any lawful position of government employment, subject to certain current ethical limitations. Establishes salaries of the members of the Legislature pursuant to recommendations by the Commission on Salaries submitted during the 2028 regular session, unless those recommendations are amended by law.</p>	LMG, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB771</a>	<p>RELATING TO SUPER PACS.</p> <p>Establishes a fee based on the total expenditures or disbursements made by noncandidate committees within a calendar year. Establishes a process for verification and review of proposed electioneering communications. Establishes a minimum font size for certain information that must be included on campaign advertisements.</p>	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB772</a>	<p>RELATING TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE.</p> <p>Disallows the use of campaign funds to purchase up to two tickets for an event or fundraiser held by another candidate or committee.</p>	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB773</a>	<p>RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.</p> <p>Appropriates funds for grant specialist positions to assist farmers and ranchers in meeting the requirements to receive grants offered by the United States Department of Agriculture, State, counties, or private entities.</p>	AGR, FIN
<a href="#">HB774</a>	<p>RELATING TO VALUE-ADDED PRODUCTS.</p> <p>Establishes a food and product innovation network within the Agribusiness Development Corporation.</p>	AGR, ECD, FIN

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<a href="#">HB775</a>	RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL BIOSECURITY. Appropriates funds to the Department of Agriculture for permanent positions in agricultural biosecurity established by Act 231, SLH 2024.	AGR, FIN
<a href="#">HB776</a>	RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL SUPPORT. Establishes within the Department of Agriculture the Hawaii Agricultural Transportation Assistance Program, to consist of a reimbursement program and grant program, to assist certain farmers and livestock producers with transportation costs for agricultural products, inputs, supplies, and production and distribution of agricultural commodities. Requires reports to the Legislature.	AGR, FIN
<a href="#">HB777</a>	RELATING TO SPECIAL PERMITS. Authorizes the Land Use Commission to designate another agency, including the Office of Planning and Sustainable Development, Department of Agriculture, or Agribusiness Development Corporation, to monitor compliance with any restrictions imposed in a special permit.	WAL/AGR, ECD, JHA
<a href="#">HB778</a>	RELATING TO INTEGRATED LAND USE. Requires the Office of Planning and Sustainable Development to conduct an integrated land use study for the use of lands within the agricultural districts and submit interim and final reports to the Legislature.	WAL, FIN
<a href="#">HB779</a>	RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII. Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds and appropriates funds for a capital improvement project for the repair, maintenance, and demolition of buildings at the Waimanalo Research Station.	HED, FIN
<a href="#">HB780</a>	RELATING TO DESALINATION. Establishes a Desalination Planning Task Force to examine the feasibility of, and develop a plan and timeline for, the use desalination as a source of potable water in the State.	WAL, FIN
<a href="#">HB781</a>	RELATING TO THE WAIHAOLE WATER SYSTEM. Appropriates funds for the Waiahole Water System for bond debt service and tunnel repair.	AGR, WAL, FIN

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<a href="#">HB782</a>	<p>RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Establishes within the Department of Agriculture a working group to review and make recommendations on amending or repealing unnecessary or obsolete laws pertaining to agriculture. Appropriates funds.</p>	AGR, FIN
<a href="#">HB783</a>	<p>RELATING TO IRRIGATION. Authorizes the Director of Finance to issue general obligation bonds and appropriates funds to finance capital improvement projects for irrigation systems.</p>	AGR, FIN
<a href="#">HB784</a>	<p>RELATING TO HEALTH. Makes an appropriation for the operation of an additional ambulance for the island of Hawaii to be based in Makalei.</p>	HLT, FIN
<a href="#">HB785</a>	<p>RELATING TO ENERGY-EFFICIENCY PORTFOLIO STANDARDS. Extends the State's energy-efficiency portfolio standards from 2030 to 2045 and updates the standards. Authorizes the public utilities commission to adjust the 2045 and interim standards.</p>	EEP, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB786</a>	<p>RELATING TO DEPOSIT BEVERAGE CONTAINER RECYCLING. Repeals certain exemptions for beverage dealers from the requirement to operate redemption centers and amends the types of containers they must accept for redemption. Allows the establishment of regional centers for the redemption of refillable beverage containers but not as substitutes for dealers' means to receive deposit beverage containers. Requires the Department of Health to establish a reverse vending machine pilot program to use the Deposit Beverage Container Deposit Special Fund to provide grants to deploy reverse vending machines.</p>	EEP, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB787</a>	<p>RELATING TO DECARBONIZATION. Requires the Hawaii Climate Change Mitigation and Adaption Commission to study the feasibility of implementing a "buy clean" decarbonization policy and program in Hawaii. Requires administrative and substantive support from the Department of Land and Natural Resources. Appropriates moneys.</p>	EEP, FIN
<a href="#">HB788</a>	<p>RELATING TO ELECTRIC VEHICLE BATTERIES. Establishes a working group within the Hawaii State Energy Office to make recommendations for the reuse and recycling of electric vehicle batteries and requires a report to the Legislature.</p>	EEP, FIN

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<a href="#">HB789</a>	RELATING TO ENERGY ASSISTANCE. Establishes the Hawaii Home Energy Assistance Program within the Department of Human Services to assist households in paying their energy bills. Requires the Public Utilities Commission's Public Benefits Fee Administrator to provide information and technical assistance about available energy efficiency programs to recipients of the program. Appropriates funds.	EEP/HSB, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB790</a>	RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY. Establishes an installation goal for customer-sited distributed energy resources in the State. Ensures that fair compensation is provided to distributed energy resources exports as part of grid service programs. Authorizes retail wheeling of renewable energy and requires the PUC to establish policies and procedures to implement retail wheeling and microgrid service tariffs.	EEP, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB791</a>	RELATING TO STATE FUNDS. Makes technical amendments to the definition of "state funds" as it relates to the deposit of certain moneys into the state treasury.	FIN
<a href="#">HB792</a>	RELATING TO GOVERNMENT SERVICES. Clarifies the office of the legislative analyst.	LMG, JHA
<a href="#">HB793</a>	RELATING TO GOVERNMENT. Requires the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House to be notified in writing upon the receipt of any federal-aid moneys for expenditure by the State within ten days following receipt.	FIN
<a href="#">HB794</a>	RELATING TO STATE BONDS. Authorizes issuance of general obligation bonds. Makes findings required by Article VII, Section 13, of the Hawaii State Constitution to declare that the issuance of authorized bonds will not cause the debt limit to be exceeded.	FIN
<a href="#">HB795</a>	RELATING TO THE GENERAL FUND. Provides a tax credit to taxpayers and makes deposits to the emergency and budget reserve fund and other post-employment benefits trust fund pursuant to article VII, section 6, of the Hawaii State Constitution. Appropriates funds.	ECD, FIN
<a href="#">HB796</a>	RELATING TO TAX CREDITS. Requires that income tax credits established or renewed after 12/31/2025 include a five-year sunset or an annual one-third reduction, beginning with the sixth year of the credit.	ECD, FIN

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<a href="#">HB797</a>	RELATING TO THE CIGARETTE TAX AND TOBACCO TAX LAW. Exempts the shipment of large cigars in fulfillment of a sale by mail order from the offense of unlawful shipment of tobacco products.	HLT, FIN
<a href="#">HB798</a>	RELATING TO WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT. Clarifies the exemptions to the prohibition on discharging any wastewater or raw sewage into state waters after December 31, 2026, including an exemption for treatment plants having a treatment capacity of less than 10,000,000 gallons per day.	EEP, WAL, JHA
<a href="#">HB799</a>	RELATING TO HEALTH CARE. Authorizes physicians to practice at organized ambulatory health care facilities even if the physician does not have hospital privileges at a licensed hospital in the same geographic location as the ambulatory facility. Provides that a written transfer agreement is not required to transfer a patient from an organized ambulatory health care facility to a licensed hospital.	HLT, CPC
<a href="#">HB800</a>	RELATING TO GOVERNMENT. Provides for the transfer of certain parcels in the Liliha Civic Center area and Iwilei Fire Station area from various state agencies to the City and County of Honolulu. Provides for the transfer of the parcel of land on which Alii Place is sited from the City and County of Honolulu to the State. Repeals the sunset provision of Act 4, SLH 2024. Requires the City and County of Honolulu to accept the properties transferred in satisfaction of all amounts owed by Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation under the Kapolei roadways, drainage, and sewer settlement. Exempts the land transferred from the definition of public lands for purposes of chapter 171, HRS.	WAL, FIN
<a href="#">HB801</a>	RELATING TO TAXATION. Short form bill relating to taxation.	FIN
<a href="#">HB802</a>	RELATING TO NON-GENERAL FUNDS. Short form bill relating to non-general funds.	FIN
<a href="#">HB803</a>	RELATING TO STATE PROGRAMS. Short form bill relating to state programs.	FIN
<a href="#">HB804</a>	RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET. Short form bill relating to the state budget.	FIN
<a href="#">HB805</a>	RELATING TO THE STATE FINANCES. Short form bill relating to the state finances.	FIN

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<a href="#">HB806</a>	<p>RELATING TO FIREWORKS. Appropriates funds for the Honolulu Police Department and Department of Law Enforcement to conduct sting operations on Oahu to enforce fireworks ordinances or laws. Authorizes a court to order the forfeiture of one-half of any pension of an Employees' Retirement System member, former member, or retirant upon conviction of the individual for a felony related to certain uses of prohibited fireworks.</p>	LAB, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB807</a>	<p>RELATING TO CONDOMINIUMS. Establishes the Condominium Loan Program to provide condominium associations with low-cost financing, or refinance previously obtained loans, for maintenance or repair projects. Establishes the Condominium Loan Loss Reserves Program to incentivize lenders into providing loans at competitive rates and terms to condominium associations for the purpose of allowing condominium associations to make necessary maintenance or repairs. Appropriates funds.</p>	CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB808</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE PROCUREMENT CODE. Requires public contractors to obtain insurance to cover at least half of a project's construction costs to the State to provide funds for curing construction defects discovered within ten years after the completion of the contract. Authorizes the State to institute an action against the contractor for the total costs of curing those defects.</p>	CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB809</a>	<p>RELATING TO PROCUREMENT. Allows bidders to clarify or correct immaterial or technical information required as part of a bid submission for up to twenty-four hours after the bid submission deadline. Requires that bids for construction be opened no sooner than twenty-four hours after the deadline for the submission of bids. Defines "immaterial or technical information". Repeals 6/30/2027.</p>	CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB810</a>	<p>RELATING TO NOISE POLLUTION. Establishes a private right of action for any person aggrieved by a violation of the Federal Aviation Act and existing federal laws to bring a civil action against the owner or operator of the helicopter in violation and collect damages and litigation costs.</p>	TRN, EEP, JHA
<a href="#">HB811</a>	<p>RELATING TO RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY. Establishes penalties for failure to remediate violations, including fines and, under certain circumstances, foreclosure on the real property.</p>	WAL, JHA

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<a href="#">HB812</a>	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Requires a contract for the purchase of local produce having a value of more than \$250 to be for a term of at least 5 years.	AGR, FIN
<a href="#">HB813</a>	RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM. Reduces the minimum number of years of credited service from ten years to five years qualified Tier 2 employee's retirement system members must have to be eligible for vested benefit status for service retirement allowance purposes. Appropriates funds.	LAB, FIN
<a href="#">HB814</a>	RELATING TO CANNABIS. Appropriates funds for the Department of Health to develop and implement a public health and informational campaign; administer grants to prevent substance misuse among youth; and administer grants to treat substance use disorder among youth.	HLT, FIN
<a href="#">HB815</a>	RELATING TO HEALTH INSURANCE. Requires the health benefits plan or plans established by the Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund board to meet or exceed the requirements of the Prepaid Health Care Act.	LAB, CPC, FIN