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GOVERNOR
KE KIA'ĀINA



GOV. MSG. NO. 1191

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
KE KE'ENA O KE KIA'ĀINA

June 5, 2026

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

The Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura
Speaker, and Members of the
House of Representatives
Thirty-Third State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 431
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Aloha President Kouchi, Speaker Nakamura, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on June 5, 2026, the following bill was signed into law:

H.B. NO. 2361, H.D. 1, S.D. 1,
C.D. 1

RELATING TO KANEOHE BAY REGIONAL
COUNCIL.
ACT 091

Mahalo,

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Josh Green, M.D.
Governor, State of Hawai'i

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE KANEOHE BAY REGIONAL COUNCIL.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Section 200D-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended as follows:

3 1. By amending subsection (a) to read:

4 "(a) There is established within the department of land
5 and natural resources, for administrative purposes only, the
6 Kaneohe Bay regional council[~~; provided that except for the~~
7 ~~participation on the council of the two representatives from the~~
8 ~~department of land and natural resources as ex officio nonvoting~~
9 ~~members pursuant to subsection (c) and except as provided under~~
10 ~~section 26-35, the~~]. The department of land and natural
11 resources shall [~~not~~] provide administrative support to the
12 council, including providing staff, drafting, and other support
13 at council meetings. The council shall be composed of seven
14 voting members appointed by the governor in accordance with
15 section 26-34 and ex officio nonvoting members as provided in
16 subsection (c). The members shall serve without compensation."

17 2. By amending subsection (e) to read:



1 "(e) The chairperson shall be [~~the administrator of the~~
2 ~~aquatic resources division.~~] selected by the voting members of
3 the council from among all voting and nonvoting members on an
4 annual and rotating basis."

5 SECTION 2. Section 200D-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 "~~§200D-4 [Annual meeting.]~~ Council meetings. The council
8 shall schedule and conduct a meeting in accordance with chapter
9 92 [~~in each year of its operation.]~~ quarterly."

10 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
11 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

12 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



H.B. NO. 2361
H.D. 1
S.D. 1
C.D. 1

APPROVED this 5th day of June, 2026

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

HB No. 2361, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: May 6, 2026
Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2026.



Nadine K. Nakamura
Speaker
House of Representatives





Brian L. Takeshita
Chief Clerk
House of Representatives

THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI‘I

Date: May 6, 2026
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawai‘i, Regular Session of 2026.


President of the Senate


Clerk of the Senate