

JOSH GREEN, M.D.  
GOVERNOR  
KE KIA'ĀINA



GOV. MSG. NO. 1129

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS  
KE KE'ENA O KE KIA'ĀINA

May 22, 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 May 22, 2026, the following bill was signed into law:

H.B. NO. 2250, H.D. 2, S.D. 2

MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CLAIMS  
AGAINST THE STATE, ITS OFFICERS, OR ITS  
EMPLOYEES.

**ACT 029**

Mahalo,

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Josh Green, M.D.

Governor, State of Hawai'i

# A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE, ITS OFFICERS, OR ITS EMPLOYEES.

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

1 PART I

2           SECTION 1. The following sums or so much thereof as may be  
3 necessary for fiscal year 2025-2026 are appropriated out of the  
4 general revenues of the State of Hawaii to the department of the  
5 attorney general for the purpose of satisfying claims for  
6 legislative relief as to the following named persons, firms,  
7 corporations, and entities, for claims against the State or its  
8 officers or employees, for the overpayment of taxes, or for  
9 refunds, reimbursements, payments of judgments or settlements,  
10 or other liabilities, in the amounts set forth opposite their  
11 names:

| 12 <b>JUDGMENTS AGAINST THE STATE</b>       | 13 <b>AMOUNT</b> |
|---|------------------|
| 14 <b>AND SETTLEMENTS OF CLAIMS:</b>        |                  |
| 15 1. MISCELLANEOUS CLAIMS:                 |                  |
| 16  |                  |
| 17           Joan Arakawa and Kevin Arakawa | \$ 1,494.72      |
| 18  |                  |
| 19           Steve Boucher and Judy Boucher | \$ 1,102.00      |
| 20  |                  |
| 21           Citibank NA                    | \$ 780.72        |



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| 1  | Silvia Frumento                               | \$ 1,425.12            |
| 2  |   |                        |
| 3  | Clarice H. Kam                                | \$ 724.11              |
| 4  |   |                        |
| 5  | Maria Lundblad                                | \$ 104,460.50          |
| 6  |   |                        |
| 7  | U.S. Department of the Treasury and the       | \$ 1,223,732.22        |
| 8  | Treasury Office of Inspector General          | (Reimbursement)        |
| 9  | Reminding All Emergency Rental Assistance     |                        |
| 10 | Award Recipients of Responsibilities and      |                        |
| 11 | Requirements for Reporting Fraud and          |                        |
| 12 | Reimbursing Fraud Losses and Unallowable      |                        |
| 13 | Costs dated October 4, 2024                   |                        |
| 14 |   |                        |
| 15 | Melissa Gibo                                  | \$ 97.74               |
| 16 |   |                        |
| 17 | Melissa Gibo                                  | \$ 58.00               |
| 18 |   |                        |
| 19 | Melissa Gibo                                  | \$ 521.25              |
| 20 |   |                        |
| 21 | Melissa Gibo                                  | \$ 20.00               |
| 22 |   |                        |
| 23 | Estate of Ines Mandl                          | \$ 53,575.50           |
| 24 |   |                        |
| 25 | Linda S. Richburg                             | \$ 30,494.00           |
| 26 |   |                        |
| 27 | Spruce Servicing LLC                          | \$ 548,821.52          |
| 28 |   |                        |
| 29 | SUBTOTAL:                                     | <u>\$ 1,967,307.40</u> |
| 30 |   |                        |
| 31 | 2. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND BIOSECURITY: |                        |
| 32 |   |                        |
| 33 | United States Environmental Protection        | \$ 151,132.00          |
| 34 | Agency Region 9 v. State of Hawaii,           | (Settlement)           |
| 35 | Department of Agriculture                     |                        |
| 36 | EPA Docket No. UIC-09-2025-00XX               |                        |
| 37 |   |                        |
| 38 | SUBTOTAL:                                     | <u>\$ 151,132.00</u>   |
| 39 |   |                        |
| 40 | 3. DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL:        |                        |
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| 1  | Roynes J. Dural II v. State of Hawaii            | \$ 420,833.00   |
| 2  | Civil No. 1CCV-21-0001461, First Circuit         | (Settlement)    |
| 3  |  |                 |
| 4  | Alvin F. Jardine, III v. State of Hawaii         | \$ 600,000.00   |
| 5  | Civil No. 2SP16-1-000056, Second Circuit         | (Settlement)    |
| 6  |  |                 |
| 7  | SUBTOTAL:  | \$ 1,020,833.00 |
| 8  |  |                 |
| 9  | 4. DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION: |                 |
| 10 |  |                 |
| 11 | Judith M. Gatioan v. State of Hawaii             | \$ 800,000.00   |
| 12 | Civil No. 1CCV-24-0001719, First Circuit         | (Settlement)    |
| 13 |  |                 |
| 14 | Susan O'Gorman v. State of Hawaii,               | \$ 600,000.00   |
| 15 | Department of Public Safety                      | (Settlement)    |
| 16 | Civil No. 1CCV-24-0000912, First Circuit         |                 |
| 17 |  |                 |
| 18 | SUBTOTAL:  | \$ 1,400,000.00 |
| 19 |  |                 |
| 20 | 5. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION:                      |                 |
| 21 |  |                 |
| 22 | D.C. v. State of Hawaii,                         | \$ 400,000.00   |
| 23 | Department of Education                          | (Settlement)    |
| 24 | Civil No. 1CCV-20-0000657, First Circuit         |                 |
| 25 |  |                 |
| 26 | DOE Parents v. State of Hawaii,                  | \$ 500,000.00   |
| 27 | Department of Education                          | (Settlement)    |
| 28 | Civil No. 1CCV-22-0001456, First Circuit         |                 |
| 29 |  |                 |
| 30 | In the Matter of K.P. v. Department of           | \$ 8,000,000.00 |
| 31 | Education, State of Hawaii                       | (Settlement)    |
| 32 | Impartial Due Process                            |                 |
| 33 | Hearing No. DOE-SY2425-041                       |                 |
| 34 |  |                 |
| 35 | Victoria Ramos v. Hawaii State                   | \$ 36,951.86    |
| 36 | Department of Education                          | (Settlement)    |
| 37 | Civil No. 3CCV-23-0000394, Third Circuit         |                 |
| 38 |  |                 |
| 39 | South Point Investment Group, LLC v.             | \$ 100,000.00   |
| 40 | State of Hawaii                                  | (Settlement)    |
| 41 | Civil No. 3CCV-20-0000040, Third Circuit         |                 |



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| 1  |  |                        |
| 2  | United Public Workers v. Keith Hayashi       | \$ 75,000.00           |
| 3  | Case No. CE-01-539                           | (Settlement)           |
| 4  |  |                        |
| 5  | SUBTOTAL:                                    | <u>\$ 9,111,951.86</u> |
| 6  |  |                        |
| 7  | 6. DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS:        |                        |
| 8  |  |                        |
| 9  | William Kaholoa`a Jr. v. Hawaiian Homes      | \$ 1,330,000.00        |
| 10 | Commission, State of Hawaii                  | (Settlement)           |
| 11 | Civil No. 2CCV-24-0000037, Second Circuit    |                        |
| 12 |  |                        |
| 13 | SUBTOTAL:                                    | <u>\$ 1,330,000.00</u> |
| 14 |  |                        |
| 15 | 7. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH:                     |                        |
| 16 |  |                        |
| 17 | HELG Administrative Services, LLC v.         | \$ 100,000.00          |
| 18 | Department of Health                         | (Settlement)           |
| 19 | Civil No. 1CC191000332, First Circuit        |                        |
| 20 |  |                        |
| 21 | SUBTOTAL:                                    | <u>\$ 100,000.00</u>   |
| 22 |  |                        |
| 23 | 8. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES:             |                        |
| 24 |  |                        |
| 25 | Tera Graves v. State of Hawaii,              | \$ 600,000.00          |
| 26 | Department of Human Services                 | (Settlement)           |
| 27 | Civil No. 3CCV-19-0000022, Third Circuit     |                        |
| 28 |  |                        |
| 29 | Hannah David v. State of Hawaii,             | \$ 475,000.00          |
| 30 | Civil No. 20-cv-00002-JMS-WRP, USDC          | (Settlement)           |
| 31 |  |                        |
| 32 | SUBTOTAL:                                    | <u>\$ 1,075,000.00</u> |
| 33 |  |                        |
| 34 | 9. DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES: |                        |
| 35 |  |                        |
| 36 | Lolita Silva v. Nelson Alana                 | \$ 2,000,000.00        |
| 37 | Civil No. 2CC121000778, Second Circuit       | (Settlement)           |
| 38 |  |                        |
| 39 | SUBTOTAL:                                    | <u>\$ 2,000,000.00</u> |
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| 1  | 10. DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT:       |                      |
| 2  |  |                      |
| 3  | Thomas Cayetano v.                       | \$ 47,500.00         |
| 4  | Department of Public Safety              | (Settlement)         |
| 5  | Civil No. 1CCV-22-0000179, First Circuit |                      |
| 6  |  |                      |
| 7  | SUBTOTAL:                                | <u>\$ 47,500.00</u>  |
| 8  |  |                      |
| 9  | 11. OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER:       |                      |
| 10 |  |                      |
| 11 | Joshua Priestersbach v. Office of the    | \$ 200,000.00        |
| 12 | Public Defender                          | (Settlement)         |
| 13 | Civil No. 1CCV-24-0000470, First Circuit |                      |
| 14 |  |                      |
| 15 | SUBTOTAL:                                | <u>\$ 200,000.00</u> |
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| 17 | TOTAL (SECTION 1):                       | \$18,403,724.26      |

18 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department  
19 of the attorney general for the purposes of this Act.

20 PART II

21 SECTION 2. The following sums or so much thereof as may be  
22 necessary for fiscal year 2025-2026 are appropriated out of the  
23 state highway fund for the purpose of satisfying claims for  
24 legislative relief as to the following named persons, for claims  
25 against the State or its officers or employees for payments of  
26 judgments or settlements, or other liabilities, in the amount  
27 set forth opposite their names:



| 1  | JUDGMENTS AGAINST THE STATE                                    | AMOUNT          |
|----|--|-----------------|
| 2  | AND SETTLEMENTS OF CLAIMS:                                     |                 |
| 3  |  |                 |
| 4  | DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, HIGHWAYS DIVISION:               |                 |
| 5  |  |                 |
| 6  | Anacleto R. Battad v. Lawrence J. Dill                         | \$ 1,100,000.00 |
| 7  | Civil No. 5CC181000177, Fifth Circuit                          | (Settlement)    |
| 8  |  |                 |
| 9  | Pualani Kanaka`ole Kanahale v.                                 | \$ 68,186.76    |
| 10 | State of Hawaii  | (Judgment)      |
| 11 | Civil No. 1CCV-20-0000235, First Circuit                       |                 |
| 12 |  |                 |
| 13 | The Estate of Matthew Louis Perreira v.                        | \$ 300,000.00   |
| 14 | State of Hawaii  | (Settlement)    |
| 15 | Civil No. 2CCV-22-0000045, Second Circuit                      |                 |
| 16 |  |                 |
| 17 | Cransten Takayama v. Aaron Napoleon                            | \$ 600,000.00   |
| 18 | Civil No. 1CCV-22-0000040, First Circuit                       | (Settlement)    |
| 19 | Shauntel Takayama v. Aaron Napoleon                            |                 |
| 20 | Civil No. 1CCV-22-0000110, First Circuit                       |                 |
| 21 | Maximum Legal Services Corp. v. Aaron Napoleon                 |                 |
| 22 | Civil No. 1CCV-22-0000094, First Circuit                       |                 |
| 23 | Donoven Ruiz v. Aaron Napoleon                                 |                 |
| 24 | Civil No. 1CCV-22-0000109, First Circuit                       |                 |
| 25 |  |                 |
| 26 | SUBTOTAL:  | \$ 2,068,186.76 |
| 27 |  |                 |
| 28 | TOTAL (SECTION 2):   | \$ 2,068,186.76 |
| 29 | The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department      |                 |
| 30 | of transportation, highways division, for the purposes of this |                 |
| 31 | Act.   |                 |



1 PART III

2 SECTION 3. The sums hereinabove may be paid to the  
3 respective persons, firms, corporations, or entities for the  
4 satisfaction or settlement of the respectively identified cases,  
5 and in several amounts hereinabove set forth or in lesser  
6 amounts deemed appropriate, upon checks issued by the  
7 comptroller; provided that departments shall obtain the approval  
8 of the attorney general before payment of any claim may be made.

9 SECTION 4. Notwithstanding the sums hereinabove stated as  
10 interest upon judgments against the State, payment of interest  
11 shall be limited to the period from the date of the judgment, if  
12 applicable, to thirty days after the effective date of this Act,  
13 as provided in section 662-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for those  
14 cases to which the statute applies.

15 SECTION 5. The appropriations made by this Act shall not  
16 lapse at the end of the fiscal period for which the  
17 appropriations are made; provided that all moneys from the  
18 appropriations that are unexpended and unencumbered as of June  
19 30, 2027, shall lapse as of that date.

20 SECTION 6. If any provision of this Act, or the  
21 application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held



1 invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or  
2 applications of the Act that can be given effect without the  
3 invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions  
4 of this Act are severable.

5 SECTION 7. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
6 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

7 SECTION 8. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



H.B. NO. 2250  
H.D. 2  
S.D. 2

APPROVED this 22nd day of May, 2026

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

HB No. 2250, HD 2, SD 2

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: May 8, 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: April 14, 2026  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Third 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