

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



**GOV. MSG. NO. 1156**

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS  
KE KE'ENA O KE KIA'ĀINA

May 28, 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 28, 2026, the following bill was signed into law:

S.B. NO. 2727, H.D. 1, C.D. 1

RELATING TO DISCRIMINATION.  
**ACT 056**

Mahalo,

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Josh Green, M.D.

Governor, State of Hawai'i

Approved by the Governor

on     MAY 28 2026    

**ACT 056**

THE SENATE  
THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE, 2026  
STATE OF HAWAII

**S.B. NO.** 2727  
H.D. 1  
C.D. 1

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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DISCRIMINATION.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Hawaii has a strong,  
2 historic commitment to civil rights. The legislature further  
3 finds that the extension to the statute of limitations provided  
4 by this Act would ensure that individuals in Hawaii have greater  
5 access to civil-rights protections that reflect the community  
6 values of the State: fairness, dignity, and inclusion. The  
7 legislature also finds that this extension provides individuals  
8 with a more reasonable timeframe to recognize, report, and seek  
9 redress for unlawful discrimination under Hawaii state law.

10           The purpose of this Act is to extend the statute of  
11 limitations for filing complaints with the Hawaii civil rights  
12 commission to one year.

13           SECTION 2. Section 368-11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
14 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

15           "(c) No complaint shall be filed after the expiration of  
16 [~~one hundred eighty days~~] one year after the date:



- 1           (1) Upon which the alleged unlawful discriminatory  
2           practice occurred; or  
3           (2) Of the last occurrence in a pattern of ongoing  
4           discriminatory practice."

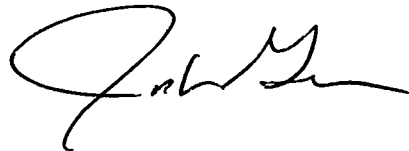
5           SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
6 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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



S.B. NO. 2727  
H.D. 1  
C.D. 1

APPROVED this 28th day of May, 2026


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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

**THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I**

Date: April 30, 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

SB No. 2727, HD 1, CD 1

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: April 30, 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