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GOV. MSG. NO. 1235

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
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June 24, 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 24, 2026, the following bill was signed into law:

S.B. NO. 3096, S.D. 1, H.D. 1,
C.D. 1

RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT
SYSTEM'S EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS FOR
NORMAL COST AND ACCRUED LIABILITY.
ACT 134

Mahalo,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Josh Green M.D.".

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

Approved by the Governor

on JUN 24 2026

THE SENATE
THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE, 2026
STATE OF HAWAII

ACT 134
S.B. NO. 3096
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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM'S EMPLOYER
CONTRIBUTIONS FOR NORMAL COST AND ACCRUED LIABILITY.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 88-122, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (e) to read as follows:
3 "(e) Commencing with fiscal year 2005-2006 and each
4 subsequent fiscal year until fiscal year 2007-2008, the employer
5 contributions for normal cost and accrued liability for each of
6 the two groups of employees in subsection (a) shall be based on
7 fifteen and three-fourths per cent of the member's compensation
8 for police officers, firefighters, and corrections officers and
9 thirteen and three-fourths per cent of the member's compensation
10 for all other employees. Commencing with fiscal year 2008-2009
11 and each subsequent fiscal year until fiscal year 2011-2012, the
12 employer contributions for normal cost and accrued liability for
13 each of the two groups of employees in subsection (a) shall be
14 based on nineteen and seven-tenths per cent of the member's
15 compensation for police officers, firefighters, and corrections
16 officers and fifteen per cent of the member's compensation for



1 all other employees. In fiscal year 2012-2013, the employer
2 contributions for normal cost and accrued liability for each of
3 the two groups of employees in subsection (a) shall be based on
4 twenty-two per cent of the member's compensation for police
5 officers, firefighters, and corrections officers and fifteen and
6 one-half per cent of the member's compensation for all other
7 employees. In fiscal year 2013-2014, the employer contributions
8 for normal cost and accrued liability for each of the two groups
9 of employees in subsection (a) shall be based on twenty-three
10 per cent of the member's compensation for police officers,
11 firefighters, and corrections officers and sixteen per cent of
12 the member's compensation for all other employees. In fiscal
13 year 2014-2015, the employer contributions for normal cost and
14 accrued liability for each of the two groups of employees in
15 subsection (a) shall be based on twenty-four per cent of the
16 member's compensation for police officers, firefighters, and
17 corrections officers and sixteen and one-half per cent of the
18 member's compensation for all other employees. Commencing with
19 fiscal year 2015-2016 until fiscal year 2016-2017, the employer
20 contributions for normal cost and accrued liability for each of
21 the two groups of employees in subsection (a) shall be based on



1 twenty-five per cent of the member's compensation for police
2 officers, firefighters, and corrections officers and seventeen
3 per cent of the member's compensation for all other employees.
4 In fiscal year 2017-2018, the employer contributions for normal
5 cost and accrued liability for each of the two groups of
6 employees in subsection (a) shall be based on twenty-eight per
7 cent of the member's compensation for police officers,
8 firefighters, and corrections officers and eighteen per cent of
9 the member's compensation for all other employees. In fiscal
10 year 2018-2019, the employer contributions for normal cost and
11 accrued liability for each of the two groups in subsection (a)
12 shall be based on thirty-one per cent of the member's
13 compensation for police officers, firefighters, and corrections
14 officers and nineteen per cent of the member's compensation for
15 all other employees. In fiscal year 2019-2020, the employer
16 contributions for normal cost and accrued liability for each of
17 the two groups in subsection (a) shall be based on thirty-six
18 per cent of the member's compensation for police officers,
19 firefighters, and corrections officers and twenty-two per cent
20 of the member's compensation for all other employees.
21 Commencing with fiscal year 2020-2021 and each subsequent fiscal



1 year[7] until fiscal year 2026-2027, the employer contributions
2 for normal cost and accrued liability for each of the two groups
3 in subsection (a) shall be based on forty-one per cent of the
4 member's compensation for police officers, firefighters, and
5 corrections officers and twenty-four per cent of the member's
6 compensation for all other employees. Commencing with fiscal
7 year 2027-2028 and each subsequent fiscal year, the employer
8 contributions for normal cost and accrued liability for each of
9 the two groups of employees in subsection (a) shall be based on
10 forty-four per cent of the member's compensation for police
11 officers, firefighters, and corrections officers and twenty-four
12 per cent of the member's compensation for all other employees.
13 The contribution rates shall amortize the total unfunded accrued
14 liability of the entire plan over a period not to exceed the
15 maximum funding period.

16 The contribution rates shall be subject to adjustment:
17 (1) If the actual period required to amortize the unfunded
18 accrued liability exceeds the maximum funding period;
19 (2) If there is no unfunded accrued liability; or
20 (3) Based on the actuarial investigation conducted in
21 accordance with section 88-105."



1 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

3 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2027.



S.B. NO. 3096
S.D. 1
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APPROVED this 24th day of June, 2026




GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

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

SB No. 3096, SD 1, HD 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