

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2384

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 19 2026

RE: S.B. No. 2924
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2026
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred
S.B. No. 2924 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE KANEHILI COMMUNITY HALE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds and appropriate funds to the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands for a capital improvement project for the construction of the Kanehili Community Hale, a new access road, and a parking lot at the Kanehili Homestead.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, Kānehili Community Association, and five individuals.

Your Committee finds that the Kānehili Homestead Community, and its native Hawaiian beneficiaries, need a critical investment in the cultural vitality, educational advancement, and overall well-being of their community. Your Committee further finds that the Kānehili Community Hale is a community-driven project that will strengthen the Kānehili Community Homestead through the cultural preservation, education, community engagement, access to recreation, and promotion of the well-being of lessees. This measure will promote self-determination, economic self-sufficiency, and the long-term stability of native Hawaiian beneficiaries.



Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Appropriating funds from the general fund rather than general obligation bonds; and
- (2) Amending section 1 to reflect its amended purpose.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2924, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2924, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Hawaiian Affairs,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Herbert M. Richards, III', followed by a circled 'P' or similar mark to the right.

HERBERT M. RICHARDS, III, Chair



The Senate
Thirty-Third Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Hawaiian Affairs
HWN

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 2924	Committee Referral: HWN, WAM	Date: 02/17/2026		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
RICHARDS, III, Herbert M. "Tim" (C)	✓			
LAMOSAO, Rachele (VC)	✓			
IHARA, Jr., Les	✓			
KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett	✓			
DECORTE, Samantha	✓			
TOTAL	5	0	0	0
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes