

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
THE THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE  
REGULAR SESSION OF 2026

COMMITTEE ON CULTURE & ARTS

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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:        Wednesday, February 4, 2026  
TIME:        9:30 am  
PLACE:       VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE  
                 Conference Room 309  
                 State Capitol  
                 415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

[HB 2118](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM.  
Transfers the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts and the King  
Kamehameha Celebration Commission from the Department of  
Accounting and General Services to the Department of Business,  
Economic Development, and Tourism. Transfers certain authority and  
responsibilities held by the Comptroller regarding the Works of Art  
Special Fund to the Director of Business, Economic Development, and  
Tourism. Appropriates funds for positions within the Department of  
Business, Economic Development, and Tourism.

CAA, ECD/LAB,  
FIN

[HB 1764](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO THE MUSIC ACCESSIBILITY PILOT PROGRAM.  
Establishes the Music Accessibility Pilot Program within the Hawaii  
State Public Library System to expand access to public concerts and  
musical education throughout the State. Appropriates funds.

CAA, EDN, FIN

[HB 1815](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO THE STATE FOUNDATION ON CULTURE AND  
THE ARTS.  
Explicitly applies existing grant standards to Performing Arts Grants  
Program grants under the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts.

CAA, FIN



Establishes the Mapping of Arts Data for Education Task Force to conduct a study and develop a comprehensive, publicly available statewide database and geographic information systems map of arts entities and programs engaged in arts and arts education.

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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Rep. Jeanne Kapela  
Chair

