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REGULAR SESSION OF 2026

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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:       Wednesday, February 11, 2026  
TIME:       9:30 am  
PLACE:      VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE  
                Conference Room 423  
                State Capitol  
                415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

[HB 2118, HD1](#)  
[\(HSCR32-26\)](#)  
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RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM.

CAA, ECD/LAB,  
FIN

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. Effective 7/1/3000.  
(HD1)



[HB 2473](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO THE RECOGNITION OF A HAWAIIAN SENSE OF PLACE.

ECD/LAB, JHA,  
FIN

Establishes the Hawaiian Sense of Place Recognition Act. Requires the Office of Planning and Sustainable Development to develop educational and outreach programs to promote understanding of the Hawaiian sense of place among residents, visitors, and public employees. Requires state agencies to incorporate Hawaiian sense of place principles into land planning, management, and state construction projects.

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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