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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, February 4, 2026
TIME: 9:00 A.M.
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
Conference Room 430
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

[HB 1721](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO HOUSING.
Clarifies insurance, indemnification, and certain certificate of occupancy requirements for purposes of expedited permits.

HSG, CPC, JHA

[HB 1714](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO HOUSING.
Increases the salary cap of the Executive Director of Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation to an amount that does not exceed the Governor's salary. Renames the Executive Assistant to the Deputy Executive Director and increases that position's salary cap to 95% of the Executive Director salary. Prohibits HHFDC and Hawaii Public Housing Authority employment contracts that exceed 2 years, unless approved by the Legislature. Provides HHFDC with autonomy in personnel matters.

HSG, LAB, FIN



<u>HB 1718</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO HOUSING. Repeals the sunset date of Act 45, Session Laws of Hawaii 2024, thereby making permanent the authority of the counties to share in facilitating the development, construction, financing, refinancing, or other provision of mixed-use developments, including low- and moderate-income housing projects, and issue county bonds for this purpose.	HSG, WAL, FIN
<u>HB 1732</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO HOUSING. Establishes the Kamaaina Homes Program within the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation to provide funding to the counties to purchase voluntary deed restrictions from eligible homebuyers.	HSG, JHA, FIN
<u>HB 1740</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION. Removes the prohibition against qualified residents for Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation-approved projects holding a majority interest in land and removes the requirement that qualified residents demonstrate financial viability or ability to pay rent. Amends exemptions from statutes, ordinances, charter provisions, and rules for certain housing projects developed by the Corporation that satisfy certain conditions, including requirements related to employment, owner-occupancy, and deed restrictions.	HSG, WAL, FIN
<u>HB 1777</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO HOUSING. Requires developers developing a housing project under the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation to assist certain tenants who are subject to displacement or eviction by the proposed project by: granting those tenants the right of first offer of a comparable unit in the housing project and providing replacement housing payments; providing information, either directly or through a contracted service, on how to obtain assistance and exercise the right of first offer; and establishing procedures to track and maintain communication with those tenants. Establishes consequences for a developer's noncompliance.	HSG, CPC, JHA
<u>HB 1842</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO GOVERNMENT. Amends Act 289, Session Laws of Hawaii 2025, to replace the Senior Residence at Iwilei parcel with the Westridge parcel, change the transfer date for the Alii Tower parcel to 12/31/2026, changes the deadline for approval by the City and County of Honolulu to 12/31/2027, and changes the repeal date to 1/1/2028.	HSG, WAL, FIN
<u>HB 1919</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS. Beginning 7/1/2027, prohibits counties from imposing minimum parking mandates for certain developments.	HSG, WAL, JHA
<u>HB 1701</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO PARKING. Prohibits minimum off-street parking requirements for new developments or redevelopment projects located in transit-oriented development infrastructure improvement program areas.	HSG, WAL, JHA



<u>HB 1923</u>	RELATING TO RESIDENTIAL HOUSING UTILITIES. Requires county boards of water supply to publicly disclose through its website service connection availability for residential permitting and construction.	HSG, WAL, JHA
<u>HB 1741</u>	RELATING TO HOUSING. Deems a county affordable housing mandate as a form of development exaction and treats the mandate as a housing affordability impact fee, with certain exemptions. Prohibits a county from adopting, amending, or enforcing an affordable housing mandate or inclusionary requirements for residential or mixed-use development, under certain circumstances. Establishes additional requirements for a needs assessment study for a county-imposed affordable housing mandate. Establishes a criterion that allows luxury residential projects or projects that receive discretionary value-add approvals to be subject to inclusionary requirements.	HSG, WAL, JHA
<u>HB 1734</u>	RELATING TO ZONING. Prohibits the counties from imposing certain lot requirements and dwelling specifications for parcels of land located within the urban district for purposes of subdivision, development, or the issuance of a building permit, with certain exemptions. Allows the counties to establish a petition process for neighborhoods, subdivisions, or other geographically contiguous areas to establish or retain certain requirements or specifications.	HSG, WAL, JHA
<u>HB 1739</u>	RELATING TO TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT. Prohibits the counties from enacting an ordinance, rule, regulation, development standard, zoning provision, or other land use control that restricts the development of transit-supportive densities in county-designated transit-oriented development zones and transit-oriented development infrastructure improvement program areas.	HSG, WAL, JHA

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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Rep. Luke A. Esvlin
Chair

