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COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, CULTURE AND THE ARTS

Senator Chris Lee, Chair
Senator Lorraine R. Inouye, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, February 4, 2026
TIME: 1:00 PM
PLACE: Conference Room 224 & Videoconference
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

[SB 2603](#)

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RELATING TO THE HAWAII SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA.
Designates the Hawaii Symphony Orchestra as the State of
Hawaii Symphony Orchestra. Requires annual reports to the
Legislature. Appropriates moneys.

WLA, WAM

[SB 2083](#)

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Testimony](#)

RELATING TO STATE-OWNED HISTORIC PROPERTIES AND
INHERITED LANDS.
Establishes the State-Owned Historic Properties Preservation
Plan Working Group within the Department of Land and Natural
Resources to ensure the preservation of state-owned historic
properties and inherited lands. Requires reports to the
Legislature.

WLA, WAM

[SB 2341](#)

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Testimony](#)

RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION.
Authorizes SHPD to conduct a phased review of a proposed
project on private property under certain circumstances.
Amends the process and deadlines by which SHPD must
provide written concurrence or non-concurrence for a proposed
project on private property or other project that requires
entitlement for use, after which concurrence may be assumed
and the project may proceed.

WLA, JDC

SB 2306

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RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE FEES.

Makes permanent, rather than repealing upon the adoption of relevant administrative rules, the Department of Land and Natural Resources' authority to establish a transaction fee for certain services rendered by the Bureau of Conveyances for each recording in the Bureau of Conveyances and Land Court. Amends the authorized uses of moneys in the Bureau of Conveyances Special Fund. Repeals language that required the Bureau of Conveyances' microfilm fees to be established by rules. Effective 1/1/2027.

WLA, WAM

SB 2782

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RELATING TO NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Requires the Bureau of Conveyances to void any recorded instrument that was fraudulently notarized when attested to by the purported notary public. Requires the Bureau of Conveyance to allow title holders to suspend additional recordings on their title, unless given prior authorization by the title holder, subject to certain limitations.

WLA, JDC

SB 2756

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RELATING TO CONSERVATION ENFORCEMENT.

Appropriates funds for the purchase of equipment for the Hawaii Island Branch of the Division of Conservation and Resources Enforcement of the Department of Land and Natural Resources.

WLA, WAM

SB 2161

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO LAND USE.

Authorizes rodeos and rodeo activities on lands that are zoned for agricultural use. Defines the term "rodeo and rodeo activities".

WLA, JDC

SB 2477

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO CULTURAL RECOGNITION.

Requires the Department of Land and Natural Resources to place historical markers acknowledging the landform on which the Hawaii Kai Towne Center is sited as Maunalua Island.

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Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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Senator Chris Lee
Chair