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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: Friday, April 17, 2026  
TIME: 1:15 PM  
PLACE: Conference Room 224 & Videoconference  
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| <b><u>HCR 36</u></b><br><a href="#">(HSCR1655-26)</a><br><a href="#">Status &amp;<br/>Testimony</a>      | ESTABLISHING A SISTER-STATE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE STATE OF HAWAII, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND THE PREFECTURE OF OKAYAMA, JAPAN.  | WLA |
| <b><u>HCR 19, HD1</u></b><br><a href="#">(HSCR1842-26)</a><br><a href="#">Status &amp;<br/>Testimony</a> | DESIGNATING THE MONTH OF MARCH AS MARCH4WATER MONTH IN HAWAII.   | WLA |
| <b><u>HCR 162</u></b><br><a href="#">(HSCR1574-26)</a><br><a href="#">Status &amp;<br/>Testimony</a>     | REQUESTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ARTS DATA AND MAPPING TASK FORCE TO CONDUCT A STATEWIDE SURVEY OF ENTITIES ENGAGED IN ARTS AND ARTS EDUCATION AND DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE STATEWIDE DATABASE AND GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM MAP OF ARTS ENTITIES AND PROGRAMS. | WLA |
| <b><u>HCR 61</u></b><br><a href="#">(HSCR1802-26)</a><br><a href="#">Status &amp;<br/>Testimony</a>      | URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO WORK WITH ITS PARTNERS TO INCREASE INVESTMENT IN POLICIES, INCENTIVES, WORKFORCE, AND NURSERY CAPACITY TO REFOREST HAWAII'S PUBLIC AND PRIVATE LANDS.   | WLA |

<p><b><u>HCR 106</u></b>  <u>(HSCR1844-26)</u>  <u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></p>	<p>ENDORISING WAIKIKI AS A WORLD SURFING RESERVE.</p>	<p>WLA</p>
<p><b><u>HCR 14, HD1</u></b>  <u>(HSCR1964-26)</u>  <u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></p>	<p>AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A PERPETUAL, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT WAIALAE, HONOLULU, OAHU, FOR EXISTING DRAINAGE PURPOSES, AND FOR USE, OPERATION, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON.</p>	<p>WLA, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>HCR 178, HD1</u></b>  <u>(HSCR1934-26)</u>  <u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></p>	<p>URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO PRIORITIZE ISSUING A SET-ASIDE TO THE COUNTY OF MAUI THROUGH AN EXECUTIVE ORDER BY THE GOVERNOR TO SUPPORT THE MANAGEMENT OF PUBLIC TRUST WATER RESOURCES IN EAST MAUI.</p>	<p>WLA, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>HCR 179, HD1</u></b>  <u>(HSCR1896-26)</u>  <u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></p>	<p>URGING THE 'AHA MOKU ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO FOLLOW ITS ADOPTED RULES OF PRACTICE, FULFILL ITS STATUTORY DUTIES, INCLUDING COMPLYING WITH THE SUNSHINE LAW, CONDUCT A PERFORMANCE REVIEW OF ITS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, AND ESTABLISH POLICIES TO ASSURE CONSISTENT STANDARDS OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND MANAGERIAL ACCOUNTABILITY; AND REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A COMPREHENSIVE PERFORMANCE AND FINANCIAL AUDIT OF THE 'AHA MOKU ADVISORY COMMITTEE.</p>	<p>WLA, WAM</p>

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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Senator Chris Lee  
Chair