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COMMITTEE REFERRALS

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Committee Abbreviations:

AGR - Agriculture & Food Systems	HSG - Housing
CAA - Culture & Arts	HSH - Human Services & Homelessness
CPC - Consumer Protection & Commerce	JHA - Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
ECD - Economic Development & Technology	LAB - Labor
EDN - Education	LMG - Legislative Management
EEP - Energy & Environmental Protection	PBS - Public Safety
FIN - Finance	TOU - Tourism
HED - Higher Education	TRN - Transportation
HLT - Health	WAL - Water & Land

		<u>Committee REFERRAL</u>
<u>HB2101</u>	RELATING TO COMMERCIAL AQUARIUM COLLECTION. Prohibits the capture and sale of aquatic life for commercial aquarium purposes, regardless of the method of collection.	EEP/WAL, FIN
<u>HB2102</u>	RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION. Clarifies that residential projects involving ground disturbance in high-risk areas remains subject to review under the State Historic Preservation Program. Removes the historic review exemption for lands presumed nominally sensitive.	HSG, WAL, JHA
<u>HB2103</u>	RELATING TO THE LAND USE COMMISSION. Amends the composition of the Land Use Commission to require at least one member who has substantial experience and expertise in water resource management. Requires the Office of Hawaiian Affairs to submit a list of nominees to the Governor for the appointment of a commission member having substantial experience or expertise in traditional Hawaiian land usage and knowledge of cultural land practices.	WAL, JHA

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<u>HB2104</u>	RELATING TO ISLAND BURIAL COUNCILS. Establishes stipends for certain Island Burial Council members. Amends section 6E-43.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, relating to quorum and compensation.	WAL, JHA
<u>HB2105</u>	RELATING TO RENT STABILIZATION. Establishes a statewide 3% annual limit on rent increases under chapter 521, Hawaii Revised Statutes. Prohibits rent increases during the first 12 months of a tenancy and requires notice and certification for exempt properties.	HSG, CPC, FIN
<u>HB2106</u>	RELATING TO FINANCIAL DISCLOSURES. Expands the scope of persons who are subject to public financial disclosure requirements.	JHA
<u>HB2107</u>	RELATING TO POLITICAL FUNDRAISING BY EXECUTIVE BRANCH EMPLOYEES. Prohibits any Executive Branch employee who is nominated or appointed by the Governor to a compensated position subject to confirmation by the Senate from engaging in certain campaign fundraising activities.	JHA
<u>HB2108</u>	RELATING TO FINANCIAL DISCLOSURES. Expands the scope of persons who are required to file financial disclosures to include certain gubernatorial nominees subject to Senate confirmation. Makes technical amendments relating to legislators.	LMG, JHA
<u>HB2109</u>	RELATING TO REVOLVING DOOR RESTRICTIONS FOR STATE EMPLOYEES. Prohibits new state employees from taking official action on matters they worked on before state employment. Prohibits former permanent employees of the Office of the Governor and Office of the Lieutenant Governor from representing persons or businesses for a period of 12 months after termination from state employment.	LAB, JHA
<u>HB2110</u>	RELATING TO NEPOTISM. Subjects legislative and judicial employees to the same ethical standards prohibiting nepotism that are applicable to other state employees.	LMG, LAB, JHA

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<u>HB2111</u>	RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY. Repeals on 6/30/2026 the provision prohibiting counties from requiring the installation or retrofitting of automatic fire sprinklers or automatic fire sprinkler systems in certain new or existing detached residential one- and two-family dwelling units and non-residential agricultural and aquacultural buildings and structures.	HSG, WAL, JHA
<u>HB2112</u>	RELATING TO FIREWORKS. Prohibits the use of consumer fireworks except, by permit, for cultural use. Repeals portions of section 132D-3(1), HRS, that generally allow the use of consumer fireworks without a permit on New Year's Eve, New Year's Day, and the Fourth of July. Specifies that no fireworks shall be sold to a permittee holding a permit issued for purposes of cultural use more than 5 calendar days before the applicable cultural use. Makes technical amendments to definitions of "consumer fireworks" and "cultural" within fireworks law.	JHA
<u>HB2113</u>	RELATING TO NATURAL RESOURCES. Appropriates funds for the removal of overgrown vegetation from the Kainahola Stream.	AGR, FIN
<u>HB2114</u>	RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES. Establishes the Hawaii Benefits Hub within the Office of Enterprise Technology Services. Appropriates funds.	HSH, ECD, FIN
<u>HB2115</u>	RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES. Appropriates funds to the Department of Human Services to issue supplemental contracts to community-based organizations to address increases in costs related to labor, insurance, utilities, rent, and gas.	HSH, FIN
<u>HB2116</u>	RELATING TO GRANTS. Appropriates funds to the Office of Community Services (OCS) of the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to award grants for fiscal year 2026-2027 to nonprofit organizations that expand or create new opportunities for residents needing to meet new community engagement requirements to qualify for federal programs. Establishes an evaluation and selection committee to oversee the awarding of grants. Requires an applicant for a grant to provide certain documentation on activities that qualify for community engagement hours to qualify for the grant. Appropriates funds for positions in OCS and for the Department of the Attorney General to assist OCS in reviewing contracts and monitoring costs.	LAB, HSH, FIN

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HB2117	RELATING TO THE ARTS. 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.	CAA, FIN
HB2118	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
HB2119	RELATING TO COFFEE PEST CONTROL. Temporarily reestablishes the Coffee Berry Borer and Coffee Leaf Rust Pesticide Subsidy Program and the program manager position, including the position's civil service and collective bargaining laws exemption. Requires the Department of Agriculture and Biosecurity to report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds for the operation and implementation of the Pesticide Subsidy Program.	AGR, LAB, FIN
HB2120	RELATING TO MARRIAGE LICENSE AGENTS. Authorizes private marriage license agents to collect up to \$25 from applicants for marriage licenses.	HLT, FIN
HB2121	RELATING TO WASTE MANAGEMENT. Beginning 1/1/2027, prohibits the sale, offer for sale, or distribution for sale of any disposable electronic smoking devices in the State.	EEP, HLT, CPC
HB2122	RELATING TO TEACHER HOUSING. Establishes the Teacher Housing Assistance Program to provide housing vouchers to certain eligible teachers. Appropriates funds out of the Teachers' Housing Revolving Fund.	EDN, HSG, FIN
HB2123	RELATING TO MISCONDUCT BY A PUBLIC SERVANT. Extends the statute of limitations for offenses based on misconduct in office by a public servant to allow prosecution at any time during the defendant's period of public service and up to ten years thereafter.	JHA

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<u>HB2124</u>	RELATING TO BRIBERY. Establishes the offense of failure to report bribery as a misdemeanor.	JHA
<u>HB2125</u>	RELATING TO ELECTIONS. Provides that any corporation operating under state law shall hold all the corporate powers it previously held; provided that nothing in state law shall be construed to grant or recognize any corporate power to engage in election activity.	JHA
<u>HB2126</u>	RELATING TO ELECTIONS. Appropriates funds to: (1) the counties for more voter service centers for in-person voting; (2) the Office of Elections to print and mail the digital voter information guide to all registered voters; and (3) the Office of Elections to support a public outreach and engagement campaign to encourage greater voter participation.	JHA, FIN
<u>HB2127</u>	RELATING TO CIVIC EDUCATION. Establishes a Civic Education Grant Program to provide support to public middle and intermediate schools in providing civic education to students through department approved programming. Establishes a Civic Education Trust Fund.	EDN, FIN
<u>HB2128</u>	RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF THE LEGISLATIVE ANALYST. Requires the office of the legislative analyst to produce fiscal notes on all fiscal bills. Prohibits a committee from making a decision on a fiscal bill without a fiscal note. Mandates that fiscal notes be made available to the public. Appropriates funds.	LMG, FIN

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[HB2129](#)

RELATING TO GOVERNMENT ACTIONS.

ECD, JHA

Requires any law enforcement officer acting under color of law in a public space or on state or county property to remain visibly identifiable. Prohibits law enforcement officers from wearing facial coverings while performing their duties, with certain exceptions. Requires law enforcement officers to wear apparel and use vehicles that bear conspicuous markings of the applicable law enforcement agency. Requires all civil law enforcement activity that involves participation by state or county law enforcement officers or occurs on state or county property to be conducted in a manner that adheres to specified standards. Deems certain locations to be service-first spaces and requires them to have clear, narrowly tailored procedures with respect to civil immigration actions. Requires all state and county agencies to adopt policies that limit the collection, retention, and sharing of immigration-related personal data. Requires all interagency data exchanges between state agencies, county agencies, or state and county agencies to operate under auditable agreements. Requires all state and county agencies to report annually to the Legislature and Governor regarding the civil-immigration-related requests. Requires every state and county agency to adopt a policy that prohibits immigration-based harassment or threats, including unwarranted verification of an individual's immigration status, with respect to employment or the provision of services to the public. Requires all state and county law enforcement officers to monitor civil immigration enforcement activity by activating body cameras when present in a situation in which United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents are interacting with a member of the general public.

[HB2130](#)

RELATING TO THE POWERS OF ARTIFICIAL PERSONS.

CPC, JHA, FIN

Makes any state-chartered corporation, limited liability company, limited partnership, limited liability partnership, cooperative, nonprofit, or other association lack the legal capacity to make expenditures or contributions in connection with elections or ballot measures. Deems any election or ballot measure expenditure or contribution to be ultra vires or void as a matter of law, triggering administrative forfeiture of charter privileges, including limited liability and perpetual duration, until reinstatement. Effective 1/1/2027.

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<u>HB2131</u>	RELATING TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE. Provides that the period of limitations for criminal prosecutions under campaign finance laws commences upon discovery of the offense by the Campaign Spending Commission, rather than being limited to five years from the violation date or report filing date.	JHA
<u>HB2132</u>	RELATING TO VOTING. Authorizes state agencies to implement automatic voter registration if designated by the Office of Elections. Requires eligible applicants for instruction permits, provisional licenses, driver's licenses, and identification cards to be automatically registered or preregistered to vote unless the applicant opts out.	HSB, JHA, FIN
<u>HB2133</u>	RELATING TO MEDICAID. Requires the State Auditor to conduct audits of Medicaid health care insurance contractors and the Department of Human Services and its Med-QUEST division at least once every two years, with the first audits to be conducted by 1/1/2027, and the reports to be submitted no later than twenty days prior to the Regular Session of 2027. Requires the Auditor to conduct audits. Appropriates funds.	HSB, LMG, FIN
<u>HB2134</u>	RELATING TO GENERAL EXCISE TAX. Exempts gross income from real property leases from the general excise tax when the lessee is a small business. Makes conforming amendments.	ECD, FIN
<u>HB2135</u>	RELATING TO TAXATION. Establishes the Hawaii Farm TEAM Card Program. Establishes penalties for misuse of the Hawaii Farm TEAM Card program. Eliminates the general excise tax for qualifying agricultural materials.	AGR, ECD, FIN