

# **CROSSOVER BILLS**

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## **FOREWORD**

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## SENATE BILLS WHICH PASSED THIRD READING

SB0005 SD1 (SSCR 182)

### RELATING TO LEGISLATIVE VACANCIES.

Introduced by: Inouye L, Chang S, Fukunaga C, Hashimoto T, McKelvey A, Rhoads K  
Amends provisions relating to state senator. Provides that whenever any vacancy in the membership of the state senate occurs, the term of which ends at the next succeeding general election; if the prior incumbent was not a member of any political party, the governor shall, within 60 calendar days following the 1st day of vacancy to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term, appoint a person who is at the time of appointment a resident of the same senate district as the prior incumbent and who is not, and has not been for at least 6 months before the appointment, a member of any political party; provided that if the vacancy occurs due to the death or permanent incapacitation of the prior incumbent before a primary election, but after the close of filing for that election, and the prior incumbent was the only person whose name appeared on any ballot for that seat for that election, the governor's appointment shall be valid for both the unexpired term and the next succeeding term. -- Amends provisions relating to state representatives. Provides that whenever any vacancy in the membership of the state house of representatives occurs; if the prior incumbent was not a member of any political party, the governor, within 60 calendar days following the 1st day of vacancy to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term, shall appoint a person who is at the time of appointment a resident of the same state representative district as the prior incumbent and is not and has not been, for at least 6 months immediately before the appointment, a member of any political party; provided that if the vacancy occurs due to the death or permanent incapacitation of the prior incumbent before a primary election, but after the close of filing for that election, and the prior incumbent was the only person whose name appeared on any ballot for that seat for that election, the governor's appointment shall be valid for both the unexpired term and the next succeeding term. -- SB0005 SD1

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0011 SD2 (SSCR 1004)

### RELATING TO VEGETATION MANAGEMENT NEAR UTILITY LINES.

Introduced by: Inouye L

Establishes provisions relating to vegetation management; utility lines; wildfire hazard map; hazardous vegetation; property owner obligations; utility company rights. Requires the department of land and natural resources to create and annually update a single wildfire hazard map that identifies high risk, medium risk, and low risk wildfire areas in each county. Requires any private or public property owner whose property is located in high and medium risk fire areas within certain proximities of public rights of way and utility lines to trim grasses located on their property during certain months each year. Allows a utility company to trim or remove hazardous vegetation on properties in high and medium risk fire areas during the specified months identified in this provision. Allows a utility company to have a right of entry to enter private property or public property pursuant to this provision to trim or remove hazardous vegetation. (\$\$) -- SB0011 SD2

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0015 SD1 (SSCR 990)

### RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION.

Introduced by: Inouye L

Amends provisions relating to definitions under historic preservation law. Defines historic property to mean any building, structure, object, district, area, or site, including heiau and underwater site that is over 50 years old and: meets the criteria for being entered into the Hawaii register of historic places; or has important value to native Hawaiians or other ethnic groups of the state due to: associations with cultural practices once carried out, or still carried out, at the property; or associations with traditional beliefs, events, or oral accounts that are important to history, traditional practices, and cultural identity. -- SB0015 SD1

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
Mar-06 25 Multiple Referral to WAL then JHA

SB0021 SD2 (SSCR 747)

### RELATING TO WATER CARRIERS.

Introduced by: Inouye L

Establishes provisions relating to water carrier inflationary cost index automatic adjustment mechanism. Allows the public utilities commission to establish automatic adjustment mechanisms to address inflation; regulatory lag; and a water carrier inflationary cost index automatic adjustment mechanism on or before January 1, 2026. Requires the water carrier inflationary cost index automatic adjustment mechanism to meet specific requirements. -- Amends provisions relating to definitions under hawaii

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water carrier act law. Defines automatic adjustment mechanism to mean any rate adjustment mechanism that allows a water carrier to change rates between rate cases. -- Amends provisions relating to tariffs of water carriers. Allows the public utilities commission to waive or exempt a water carrier from any or all requirements of this provision. -- SB0021 SD2

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0025 SD1 (SSCR 994)

RELATING TO HOUSING.

Introduced by: Chang S

Establishes provisions relating to reduction in housing units; residential capacity; no net loss. Allows a county to reduce the number of housing units that may be built within any portion of the county only if the county increases the number of housing units that may be built elsewhere in the county, such that there is no net loss in residential capacity. -- SB0025 SD1

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0026 SD2 (SSCR 1008)

RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

Introduced by: Chang S, Fevella K, Hashimoto T, San Buenaventura J

Establishes the affordable housing land inventory task force to be placed in the Hawaii community development authority for administrative purposes. Requires the task force to update the maps, tier tables, and inventories of state lands suitable and available for affordable housing development that are in the affordable rental housing report and 10 year plan that was generated pursuant to Act 127, Session Laws of Hawaii 2016, relating to rental housing; including parcels in the state strategic plan for transit-oriented development; focus on existing urban lands to minimize the need for major regional infrastructure improvements; examine mixed-use development opportunities to redevelop underutilized existing state-owned lands having 1 government tenant or use; identify lands to accommodate 100,000 new housing units, and designate these as important housing lands; conduct a study in collaboration with public landowners and the counties to assess the viability of housing development on transit-oriented development lands to meet demand statewide with consideration given to specific criteria; and submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026. Report to the legislature. Requires the task force to be dissolved on January 1, 2026. -- Appropriation to the Hawaii community development authority to fund a staff position and for contractual services incurred by the task force established pursuant to this Act. (\$\$) -- SB0026 SD2

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0030

RELATING TO MOPEDS.

Introduced by: Chang S

Amends provisions relating to driving of mopeds. Provides that notwithstanding provisions relating to motorcycle, motor scooter, moped, etc.; protective, no person less than 15 years of age shall drive a moped on a highway, street, roadway, or any other public property in the state. Provides that no person shall drive a moped unless the person wears a safety helmet securely fastened with a chin strap. -- SB0030

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0031 SD2 (SSCR 895)

RELATING TO PROPERTY.

Introduced by: Chang S, Fevella K, Rhoads K, San Buenaventura J

Establishes provisions relating to definitions under discrimination in real property transactions law. Defines discriminatory restrictive covenant. -- Amends provisions relating to restrictive covenants and conditions. Allows any person who discovers a recorded discriminatory restrictive covenant to take certain actions and to be immune from liability for incorrectly stating that the restrictive covenant is discriminatory. -- SB0031 SD2

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0038 SD2 (SSCR 737)

RELATING TO HOUSING.

Introduced by: Chang S, Fevella K, Hashimoto T, San Buenaventura J

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Amends provisions relating to housing development; exemption from statutes, ordinances, charter provisions, and rules. Prohibits the legislative body of the county in which the housing project is to be situated on to make any modifications that will increase the cost of the project. -- SB0038 SD2

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SB0040 SD2 (SSCR 755)

RELATING TO STATE FINANCES.

Introduced by: Chang S, Gabbard M, Hashimoto T, Moriwaki S, San Buenaventura J  
Allows pursuant to provisions relating to authorization to secure lines of credit or other instruments of indebtedness, the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation to utilize revenue bonds when securing a line of credit or other instrument of indebtedness, in an amount not to exceed 300,000,000 dollars during the fiscal biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027, to meet the requirements of federal tax law for the bond volume cap recycling program under provisions relating to allocation of annual state ceiling. -- SB0040 SD2

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0051 SD1 (SSCR 306)

RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCING FOR CANDIDATES TO ELECTED OFFICE.

Introduced by: Rhoads K, Chang S, Fukunaga C, McKelvey A, San Buenaventura J  
Establishes provisions relating to comprehensive public funding for candidates to state and county offices. Establishes provisions relating to establishment. Establishes a comprehensive public funding program for candidates for state and county public offices in the State, beginning with the 2028 general election year. -- Establishes provisions relating to qualifications for comprehensive public funding; seed money contributions; limitations on use of seed money; penalties; application for comprehensive public funds; qualifying contributions; certification of qualification for comprehensive public funds; comprehensive public funds to be distributed to certified candidates; certified candidates; continuing obligation; restrictions; penalties; comprehensive public-funded candidates; reporting; deposit of, and access to, public funds; deposit of money into the Hawaii election campaign fund's subaccount for the comprehensive public funding program; violations; penalties; forms; receipts; candidate guide and trainings; and sufficiency of funding for the comprehensive public funding program. -- Amends provisions relating to Hawaii election campaign fund; creation. -- Report to the legislature. -- Appropriation into and out of the Hawaii election campaign fund to the campaign spending commission in preparing for the comprehensive public funding of candidates in elections taking place in 2028, including the hiring of \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) permanent positions. (\$\$) -- SB0051 SD1

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SB0055 SD1 (SSCR 183)

RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE RULES.

Introduced by: Rhoads K, Chang S

Amends provisions relating to proposed rulemaking actions and rules; posting on the lieutenant governor's internet website. Provides that Beginning January 1, 2027, the full text of the agency's proposed rules shall be in a digitally accessible and searchable format that meets or exceeds the most current, ratified standards under provision 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794d), as amended. -- Amends provisions relating to filing and taking effect of rules. Requires that each agency adopting, amending, or repealing a rule, upon approval by the governor or the mayor of the county, to file certified copies of the rules with the lieutenant governor in the case of the state, or with the clerk of the county in the case of a county. Requires that in addition, the clerks of all of the counties to file certified copies of the rules with the lieutenant governor. Requires that a permanent register of the rules, open to public inspection, to be kept by the lieutenant governor and the clerks of the counties. Provides that beginning January 1, 2027, all state agencies, through the office of the lieutenant governor, shall make available on the website of the office of the lieutenant governor the full text of the rules of the agency in a digitally accessible and searchable format that meets or exceeds the most current, ratified standards under section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794d), as amended. -- SB0055 SD1

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SB0065 SD2 (SSCR 726)

RELATING TO HOUSING.

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Introduced by: Chang S, Fevella K, Fukunaga C, Gabbard M, Hashimoto T, McKelvey A, Moriwaki S, Rhoads K, San Buenaventura J  
Appropriation to the Hawaii public housing authority for the Hawaii public housing authority to rehabilitate, remodel, renovate, and repair housing units. (\$\$) -- SB0065 SD2  
Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0066 SD2 (SSCR 991)

### RELATING TO HOUSING.

Introduced by: Chang S, Fevella K, Gabbard M, Hashimoto T, San Buenaventura J  
Establishes provisions relating to building permit applications; certification; review time limit. Provides that for single-family and multi-family projects in each county, a building permit shall be issued within 60 days of a complete application being filed that is stamped by a duly licensed structural, civil, electrical, or mechanical engineer and architect certifying that all plans and specifications are in compliance with the applicable building codes for the respective county. -- SB0066 SD2  
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SB0071 SD2 (SSCR 916)

### RELATING TO THE RENTAL HOUSING REVOLVING FUND.

Introduced by: Chang S, Fevella K, Rhoads K, Richards III H  
Amends provisions relating to rental housing revolving fund by changing its title to state housing revolving fund under Hawaii housing finance and development corporation law. -- Amends provisions relating to definitions. Redefines fund and repeals definitions of efficiency, feasibility, and project readiness. -- Amends provisions relating to rental housing revolving fund by changing its title to state housing revolving fund. Requires moneys available in the fund to be used for the purpose of providing, in whole or in part, loans for housing projects in specified order of priority; provided that this provision shall apply to awards up to the annual number of rental units that the corporation's most recent Hawaii housing planning study forecasts are needed for persons and families with incomes at 50 to 60 per cent of the area median income; and mixed-income projects or units in a mixed-income project; provided that this provision shall apply to awards up to the annual number of rental units that the corporation's most recent Hawaii housing planning study forecasts are needed for persons and families with incomes at 120 to 140 per cent of the area median income; and projects that are exclusively for qualified residents. -- Amends provisions relating to eligible projects. Requires the corporation to establish an application process for fund allocation. Requires preference to be given to projects meeting the following criteria; multifamily units near stations of a locally preferred alternative of a mass transit project; state- or county-owned projects; projects that are required to be conveyed to the State or a county at a definite time; projects owned by organizations obliged to use all financial surplus generated by the projects to construct, manage, or rehabilitate owner- or renter-occupied housing in the State; projects with a perpetual affordability commitment; projects of applicant developers who request loan terms no longer than 5 years; and projects requiring the least amount of state funding per unit per year. -- SB0071 SD2  
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SB0079 SD1 (SSCR 534)

### RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEWS.

Introduced by: Chang S, Hashimoto T  
Establishes provisions relating to proposed state housing projects; historic review requirements. Requires any agency or officer of the state to advise and authorize the department of land and natural resources to make a determination for the proposed project as to the effect of the project on the historic property, aviation artifact, or burial site. Establishes historical review requirements based on the project area's known historic, cultural, and archaeological resources. Requires the department of land and natural resources to provide its written determination within 90 days after the filing of a request with the department; provided that the department's determination may be appealed to the hawaii historic places review board. Requires the department of hawaiian home lands to consult with the department of land and natural resources regarding the effect of the project upon any historic property or a burial site before commencement of any proposed project relating to lands under the jurisdiction of the department of hawaiian home lands. Establishes procedures and notification requirements if previously unidentified human remains or previously unidentified historic or cultural resources are discovered. -- SB0079 SD1  
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SB0083 SD2 (SSCR 993)

### RELATING TO HOTELS.

Introduced by: Elefante B, Aquino H

Establishes provisions relating to disruption of service; notice to 3rd party vendors and guests required; damages recoverable. Requires a hotelkeeper to provide notification of the service disruption to each 3rd party vendor and guest who is seeking or has entered into a reservation, booking, or agreement with the keeper or a 3rd party vendor for the use or occupancy of a room or hotel service within 24 hours of the occurrence of a service disruption. Requires the hotelkeeper to provide notice before accepting or entering into any new reservation, booking, or agreement as soon as practicable. Prohibits a hotelkeeper to impose any fee, penalty, or other charge or retain any deposit of a guest who cancels a reservation, booking, or agreement with the keeper for the future use of a room or hotel service if a service disruption is likely to exist during the period of the reservation, booking, or agreement for the use of a room or hotel service. Requires any hotelkeeper that violates or causes another person to violate this provision to forfeit to the injured party 3 times the amount of the sum charged in excess of what the keeper is entitled to. -- SB0083 SD2

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SB0088

### RELATING TO THE HAWAII NATIONAL GUARD.

Introduced by: Elefante B, Aquino H, Chang S, Fevella K, Gabbard M, Hashimoto T, Kanuha D, McKelvey A

Amends provisions relating to pay of officers and warrant officers while on active duty; and provisions relating to pay of enlisted personnel while on active duty. Requires the state to provide an allowance to all officers, warrant officers, and enlisted personnel for the payment of TRICARE reserve select, TRICARE dental, and vision coverage; and TRICARE reserve select coverage for eligible dependents if the officer, warrant officer, or enlisted personnel are activated for more than 30 days in the service of the state. -- SB0088

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SB0097 SD2 (SSCR 1013)

### RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES.

Introduced by: Elefante B, Chang S, Gabbard M, Hashimoto T, Kim D, Lee C, Moriwaki S

Amends provisions relating to excessive speeding. Requires any person who violates this provision within 5 years of 2 prior convictions for the same offense to be guilty of a class C felony and to be sentenced without the possibility of probation or suspension of sentence. Allows the vehicle used in the commission of the offense to be subject to forfeiture under forfeiture law. Requires a person with subsequent convictions of a class C felony for excessive speeding to be subject to fingerprinting, and photographing. -- SB0097 SD2

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SB0100 SD2 (SSCR 1014)

### RELATING TO INTOXICATING LIQUOR.

Introduced by: Hashimoto T, Kim D, Lee C, McKelvey A

Amends provisions relating to county liquor commissions; criminal history record check under intoxicating liquor law. Allows the respective county liquor commissions to request a criminal history record check of an applicant for a liquor license; provided that neither a criminal history record check nor compliance with this section shall be required for the officers and directors of publicly-traded companies or entities ultimately solely owned by a publicly-traded company, who are not designated as primary decision-makers regarding the sale or purchase of liquor; provided further that a county liquor commission of a county with a population of less than 500,000 shall not request an officer, director, or board member of a nonprofit organization to be fingerprinted. -- SB0100 SD2

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SB0102 SD2 (SSCR 1056)

### RELATING TO RESTAURANTS.

Introduced by: Hashimoto T, Fevella K, Kim D, Lee C, McKelvey A, Moriwaki S

Establishes provisions relating to unauthorized restaurant reservations; prohibited. Prohibits 3rd party restaurant reservation service to list, advertise, promote, or sell

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reservations for a restaurant through the 3rd party restaurant reservation service's website, mobile application, or other digital platform unless the applicable restaurant agrees in writing for the 3rd party restaurant reservation service to list, advertise, promote, or sell reservations for that restaurant. Allows any person who is charged fees by a 3rd party restaurant reservation service for a reservation that is listed, advertised, promoted, or sold in violation of this provision to bring a civil action in any court of competent jurisdiction. -- SB0102 SD2

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### SB0103 SD1 (SSCR 58)

#### RELATING TO ELECTRIC VEHICLE BATTERIES.

Introduced by: Elefante B, Chang S, Fevella K, Gabbard M, Hashimoto T, Kanuha D, Kim D, McKelvey A, Moriwaki S

Establishes within the Hawaii state energy office an electric vehicle battery recycling and reuse working group to examine how to maximize the recycling and reuse of electric vehicle battery management practices. Requires the working group to: develop a plan for best management practices for the recycling, reuse, or repurposing of electric vehicle batteries; coordinate with any other organization, working group, or relevant entity within or outside of the state that has similar objectives as the working group, or is researching the recycling, reuse, or repurposing of electric vehicle batteries; and develop policy recommendations for the legislature to implement based on the working group's findings. Requires the working group to consist of: the chief energy officer, or the chief energy officer's designee, who shall serve as the co-chairperson of the working group; the director of health, or the director's designee, who shall serve as the co-chairperson of the working group; and 1 representative from the department of environmental services of the city and county of Honolulu. Requires the co-chairpersons of the working group to invite the following individuals to serve as members of the working group. Requires the working group to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026. (Report to Legislature) -- SB0103 SD1

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### SB0104 SD2 (SSCR 984)

#### RELATING TO CORRECTIONS.

Introduced by: Elefante B, Chang S, Fevella K, Fukunaga C, Lee C, San Buenaventura J

Establishes provisions relating to restrictive housing; restriction on use; policies and procedures under corrections and rehabilitation law. Requires the use of restrictive housing in correctional facilities to be restricted under specified conditions. Provides that no later than July 1, 2026, the department of corrections and rehabilitation shall develop written policies and implement procedures, as necessary and appropriate, to effectuate this provision, including specified requirements. -- Requires the Hawaii correctional system oversight commission to actively monitor and review all housing placements involving individuals subjected to 20 or more hours of cell confinement, irrespective of whether the placements are designated as restrictive housing by the department or state-contracted facilities, to ensure that the department and its contracted entities do not implement cell confinement exceeding 20 hours without proper adherence to the procedures outlined in this provision. -- Defines restrictive housing to mean occurring when all of a committed person is confined in a correctional facility, pursuant to disciplinary, administrative, protective, investigative, medical, or other purposes; the confinement occurs in a cell or similarly physically restrictive holding or living space, whether alone or with 1 or more other committed persons, for 24 hours or more per day; and the committed person's activities, movements, and social interactions are severely restricted. Provides that no later than April 1, 2026, the department of corrections and rehabilitation shall develop written policies and implement procedures, as necessary and appropriate, for the review of committed persons placed in restrictive housing; initiate a review of each committed person placed in restrictive housing during the immediately preceding fiscal year to determine whether the placement would be appropriate in light of the requirements of this provision; and develop a plan for providing step-down and transitional units, programs, and staffing patterns to accommodate committed persons currently placed in restrictive housing, committed persons who may prospectively be placed in restrictive housing, and committed persons who receive an intermediate sanction in lieu of being placed in restrictive housing; provided that staffing patterns for correctional and program staff are set at levels necessary to ensure the safety of staff and committed persons pursuant to the requirements of this Act. Report to the



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legislature. -- SB0104 SD2

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SB0106 SD1 (SSCR 130)

### RELATING TO PEDESTRIANS.

Introduced by: Rhoads K, Lee C

Establishes provisions relating to freedom to walk; absence of an immediate danger. Prohibits notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a pedestrian to be stopped by a law enforcement officer, fined, or subjected to any other penalty, for acting contrary to this law, unless a reasonably careful pedestrian would determine that there is an immediate danger of a collision with a moving vehicle; provided that the pedestrian is more than 200 feet from a marked crosswalk; or driver of a vehicle from the duty of exercising due care for the safety of any pedestrian within the roadway. -- Amends provisions relating to pedestrians' right-of-way in crosswalks. Requires the driver of a vehicle to stop for a pedestrian who is crossing the roadway within a crosswalk when the pedestrian is: clearly indicating to the driver of a vehicle their intention to cross the roadway. -- SB0106 SD1

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SB0109 SD2 (SSCR 901)

### RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN LANGUAGE.

Introduced by: Rhoads K, San Buenaventura J

Amends provisions relating to official languages. Establishes that English and Hawaiian are the official languages of Hawaii. Requires that whenever there is found to exist any radical and irreconcilable difference between the English and Hawaiian version of any of the laws of the state, the English version is to be held binding; provided that if the law in question was originally drafted in Hawaiian and the English version was translated based on the Hawaiian version, and if the law has not been later amended, codified, recodified, or reenacted in English, or if the law in question was originally drafted in English and if the law was subsequently amended, codified, recodified, or reenacted in Hawaiian, the Hawaiian version shall be held binding. Prohibits Hawaiian to be required for public acts and transactions. -- SB0109 SD2

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SB0112 SD2 (SSCR 732)

### RELATING TO POLICE REPORTS.

Introduced by: Rhoads K, Chang S, Hashimoto T, Lee C

Establishes provisions relating to request for copy of police report by a surviving immediate family member. Provides that each surviving immediate family member of a deceased person for whom law enforcement initiated an investigation shall, upon request, be provided a copy of the closing report prepared by the investigating police department, upon the conclusion of any criminal proceedings related to the incident, the passage of 5 years after the report has been completed, or the passage of 7 years after the underlying incident, whichever occurs 1st; provided that if the investigation has been reopened in the 6 months before the request, the investigating police department shall not be required to provide a copy of the report to the family member while the investigation is ongoing; provided further that upon the conclusion of the reopened investigation there shall be no further delay in providing a copy of the report to the requesting family member. Requires the closing report to be provided via electronic means or in physical paper form, at the requester's preference. Requires all information pertaining to minors and confidential personal information to be redacted from the closing report when the report is released. Prohibits this provision to diminish any right of a surviving immediate family member or any other person to receive a copy of any portion of a police report or any other government record at any other time. Defines closing report to mean the final report or similar summary of the investigation that is prepared by the assigned police detective in the normal course of investigating the incident. Defines surviving immediate family member to mean a person who is a surviving grandparent, parent, sibling, spouse or reciprocal beneficiary, child, or legal guardian of the deceased person. -- SB0112 SD2

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SB0116 SD2 (SSCR 733)

### RELATING TO DISCRIMINATION.

Introduced by: Rhoads K, Chang S, Lee C

Establishes discriminatory reporting to a law enforcement officer law. Establishes provisions relating to discriminatory reporting; law enforcement officer; civil remedy.

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Requires any person who knowingly causes a law enforcement officer to come to a location to contact a person on the basis of the person's actual or perceived race, color, ancestry, ethnicity, national origin, place of birth, sex, age, religion, disability, sexual orientation, or gender identity with the specific intent to infringe upon the person's rights under the hawaii state constitution or united states constitution; discriminate against the person; cause the person to feel harassed, humiliated, or embarrassed; cause the person to be expelled from a place that the person is lawfully located; damage the person's reputation or standing within the community; or damage the person's financial, economic, consumer, or business prospects or interests, to be liable in a civil action or proceeding. Allows any person injured by a violation of this provision to bring a civil action in a court of competent jurisdiction in the state for injunctive relief, payment for damages, or other appropriate relief. -- Requires the department of law enforcement, in consultation with the hawaii civil rights commission, to provide guidance to the public on the civil liability and remedies available for discriminatory reporting to a law enforcement officer pursuant to this Act. -- Requires this Act to take effect on September 1, 2025. -- SB0116 SD2

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SB0117 SD1 (SSCR 711)

RELATING TO DEFAMATION.

Introduced by: Rhoads K, Chang S

Establishes provisions relating to defamation limited in cases of sexual assault, sexual harassment, and sexual discrimination. Provides that no individual shall be liable in damages in any defamation action for making a protected communication without malice. Provides that a prevailing defendant in any defamation action brought against the defendant for making a protected communication shall be entitled to reasonable attorneys' fees and costs. Defines protected communication to mean factual information related to any incident of sexual assault, sexual harassment, or sexual discrimination, experienced by the person making the communication, including but not limited to: any sexual misconduct offenses included in part V of offenses against the person law; any discrimination on the basis of sex pursuant to provision relating to discriminatory practices made unlawful; offenses defined; any discrimination on the basis of sex pursuant to provision relating to discriminatory practices; and any retaliation for reporting or opposing sexual assault, sexual harassment, or sexual discrimination. -- SB0117 SD1

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SB0119 SD1 (SSCR 223)

RELATING TO NURSING.

Introduced by: Hashimoto T, DeCoite L, Fevella K, Kim D, McKelvey A

Appropriation to the university of hawaii for the establishment of a bachelor of science in nursing degree program at the university of hawaii maui college to meet the increased demand for prerequisite courses by students newly enrolled in the bachelor of science in nursing degree program at the university of hawaii maui college; for additional personnel associated with establishment of the bachelor of science in nursing degree program at the university of hawaii maui college; for supplies, equipment, and simulation and laboratory upgrades associated with establishment of the bachelor of science in nursing degree program at the university of hawaii maui college; and for instructional costs associated with providing a 3rd year of nursing courses following the establishment of the bachelor of science in nursing degree program at the university of hawaii maui college. -- SB0119 SD1

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SB0121

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VI, SECTION 3, OF THE HAWAII STATE CONSTITUTION TO ALLOW THE SENATE MORE TIME TO CONFIRM JUDICIAL APPOINTMENTS.

Introduced by: Rhoads K, Kanuha D, Kidani M

Proposes to amend the constitution. Amends provisions relating to appointment of justices and judges. Extends the amount of time allowed the Senate to consider and act on the appointments of justices and judges from 30 to 60 days for appointments made between April 1 and December 31 when the Senate is not in regular session or is about to adjourn the regular session. -- SB0121

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SB0124 SD1 (SSCR 73)	<p>PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLE IV, SECTIONS 4 AND 6, OF THE HAWAII STATE CONSTITUTION REGARDING REAPPORTIONMENT.</p> <p>Introduced by: Rhoads K</p> <p>Proposes to amend the constitution. Amends provisions relating to apportionment among basic island units. Specifies that reapportionment shall be based on the resident population, as counted in the decennial United States census for the respective reapportionment year, rather than the permanent resident population. -- SB0124 SD1</p> <p>Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House Mar-06 25 Multiple Referral to JHA then FIN</p>
SB0125 SD2 (SSCR 827)	<p>RELATING TO STATE ENTERPRISE ZONES.</p> <p>Introduced by: DeCoite L, Aquino H, Chang S, Hashimoto T, Kanuha D, McKelvey A</p> <p>Amends provisions relating to definitions under state enterprise zones law. Redefines eligible business activity for enterprise zone program purposes to include retail sales of tangible personal property manufactured and sold in the enterprise zone that is for consumption or use by the purchaser and not for resale; the processing of value-added agricultural products grown within an enterprise zone; and the provision of professional services by health care professionals in health-care related sectors. -- Amends provisions relating to eligibility; qualified business; sale of property or services by increasing the eligibility period of the state business tax credit and general excise tax exemption for qualified businesses within state enterprise zones from 7 years to 9 years. -- Amends provisions relating to state general excise exemptions by increasing the general excise tax exemption for qualified businesses within state enterprise zones engaged in the manufacturing of tangible personal property or the producing or processing of agricultural products from 10 years to 12 years. -- Requires the state business tax credit to be applicable to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2025. Requires the state general excise exemption to be applicable to taxable years beginning after January 1, 2027. -- SB0125 SD2</p> <p>Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House Mar-06 25 Multiple Referral to ECD then AGR/ HLT/ then FIN</p>
SB0129 SD2 (SSCR 748)	<p>RELATING TO LABELING REQUIREMENTS.</p> <p>Introduced by: DeCoite L, Aquino H</p> <p>Establishes provisions relating to raw ahi; ahi poke; processed ahi; labeling requirements; country of origin; retail establishments. Prohibits retail establishment to keep, offer, display, expose for sale, or solicit for the sale of any raw ahi, including ahi poke, processed ahi, or raw ahi that has been combined, mixed, marinated, or otherwise prepared for human consumption, without a label stating the country in which the ahi was landed. Defines ahi to mean yellowfin tuna or bigeye tuna, including those that meet the definition of wild fish and shellfish as defined in title 7 Code of Federal Regulations section 60.133, as amended. Defines ahi poke to mean cubed, cut, or sliced raw ahi mixed with other ingredients, including but not limited to seasonings and vegetables. Defines processed ahi to mean a retail item derived from ahi that has undergone specific processing resulting in a change in the character of the ahi, or that has been combined with at least 1 other substantive food component that enhances or represents a further step in the preparation of the product for consumption would not in itself result in a processed food item, and does not mean canned tuna. Defines retail establishment to mean an establishment licensed under the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act of 1930, which includes any retail establishment that purchases over \$230,000 of fresh or frozen produce per calendar year. -- SB0129 SD2</p> <p>Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House Mar-06 25 Multiple Referral to AGR then CPC then FIN</p>
SB0133 SD2 (SSCR 746)	<p>RELATING TO ENERGY.</p> <p>Introduced by: Wakai G, Aquino H, Chang S, Fevella K, Hashimoto T, Kanuha D, Lee C, McKelvey A, San Buenaventura J</p> <p>Establishes provisions relating to wheeling; renewable energy; state facility; rules under public utilities commission law. Allows a state facility to engage in wheeling of electricity produced at its own facility from renewable sources. Requires the public utilities commission to establish, by rule or order, policies and procedures to implement wheeling, pursuant to this provision no later than December 31, 2025. -- Amends definition of public utility under public utilities commission law. -- Requires the public utilities commission to submit a report of its findings and recommendations on wheeling as authorized pursuant to this Act, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2027. (Report to the legislature). --</p>

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SB0133 SD2

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SB0137 SD2 (SSCR 985)

RELATING TO ELECTRIC UTILITIES.

Introduced by: Keohokalole J, Aquino H, Chang S, DeCoite L, Hashimoto T, Rhoads K, Richards III H

Establishes provisions relating to acquisition, merger, or consolidation of electric utility companies; conditions of approval. Requires the public utilities commission to consider whether approving a proposed merger or acquisition of an electric utility company by an acquiring entity would or would not further the State's renewable energy goals. Requires the acquiring entity to assume and be bound by the terms and conditions of any existing collective bargaining agreement at the time of the acquisition, merger, or consolidation, as it applies to covered employees. -- Establishes provisions relating to acquisition, merger, or consolidation of electric utility companies; investor-owned acquiring entities; consideration of alternative applications. Requires the public utilities commission to, upon receiving an application for the acquisition, merger, or consolidation of an electric utility company, commence a regulatory proceeding to review the application. Provides that upon commencement of the regulatory proceeding to review the application, if the application proposes the acquisition, merger, or consolidation of an electric utility company by an acquiring entity that is an investor-owned utility, the public utilities commission shall, for a period of 180 days, suspend its review of the application and immediately establish a process, subject to the requirements of this section, for the consideration of alternative applications from acquiring entities that operate under a non-investor-owned utilities ownership model. -- SB0137 SD2

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SB0140 SD2 (SSCR 745)

RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES.

Introduced by: Keohokalole J, Chang S, DeCorte S, McKelvey A, San Buenaventura J  
Establishes provisions relating to firewood; heat-treatment; requirements; exemptions. Provides that the introduction of firewood into the state from another state and the transportation or sale of firewood within the state shall be prohibited except for: firewood that is certified by an appropriate federal or state agency as heat-treated and labeled in accordance with this provision; or firewood that is authorized pursuant to this provision. Requires firewood imported into the state to bear a clear and conspicuous label on each package of firewood intended to be offered, exposed, or held for sale that contains the following information: state of the origin of firewood; if the firewood is imported pursuant to this provision: a statement that the firewood has been certified as heat-treated; and the name of the federal or state certifying agency and the certificate number; identification of the commodity as firewood, unless the contents can be easily identified through the wrapper or container; and name and address of the manufacturer, packer, or distributor of the firewood. Allows the department to authorize the importation, transportation, or sale or sale of firewood on a case-by-case basis; provided that the department determines that the firewood will not pose an unacceptable risk of introducing or spreading an insect, disease, or other pest and the permit is issued before importation, transportation, or sale. Requires any person who imports firewood into the state to maintain, and make available to the department upon request, records of imports for at least 2 years. Prohibits firewood harvested within the state to be subject to the requirements of this provision. Defines firewood to mean any kindling, logs, timber, or other portions of a tree of any species 4 feet or less in length; cut or split, or intended to be cut or split, into a form and size appropriate for use as fuel for fires in an open or closed pit, grill, fireplace, stove, wood burning furnace; or in any other form commonly used for burning in campfires, stoves, or fireplaces. Defines heat-treated to mean firewood that has been heated to at least 160 degrees Fahrenheit for 75 minutes at wood core. -- SB0140 SD2

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SB0142 SD2 (SSCR 1061)

RELATING TO INSURANCE.

Introduced by: Keohokalole J, Chang S, Richards III H, San Buenaventura J

Establishes provisions relating to payment of proceeds involving mortgaged property under insurance code law. Provides that when a homeowners insurance policy that covers a mortgaged property allows for the payment of proceeds by issuing a check, the insured may authorize the insurer in writing to electronically remit the proceeds to the

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insured's mortgagee made payable only to the mortgagee. Requires a mortgagee in receipt of electronic delivery of claim proceeds pursuant to this provision to deliver the proceeds of the claim to the insured in accordance with the mortgage agreement and the insurance policy. Defines check, electronic delivery, and mortgage agreement. -- SB0142 SD2

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0144 SD2 (SSCR 738)

RELATING TO CHIROPRACTIC.

Introduced by: Keohokalole J, Aquino H, Chang S, Hashimoto T, Rhoads K, Richards III H

Amends provisions relating to license to practice. Provides that nothing in this provision shall be construed to prohibit a student enrolled in a qualified chiropractic college from engaging in clinical practice under the direct supervision of a qualified licensed chiropractor as part of the student's educational program. -- Requires the Hawaii board of chiropractic to adopt rules defining clinical practice and establishing the criteria to qualify as a chiropractic college or direct supervising licensed chiropractor pursuant to this Act. -- SB0144 SD2

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0145

RELATING TO DECLARATION OF WATER SHORTAGE AND EMERGENCY.

Introduced by: Keohokalole J, Chang S, DeCoite L, DeCorte S, Fukunaga C, Hashimoto T

Amends provisions relating to the declaration of water shortage. Requires the commission to, by rule, formulate a plan for implementation during periods of water shortage. Requires the commission to, by rule, adopt a reasonable system of permit classification according to source of water supply, method of extraction or diversion, use of water, or a combination thereof. Allows the commission to declare that a water shortage exists within all or part of an area, whether within or outside of a water management area, when insufficient water is available to meet the requirements of the permit system or when conditions are such as to require a temporary reduction in total water use within the area to protect water resources from serious harm. Requires the commission to publish, by rule, a set of criteria for determining when a water shortage exists, including but not limited to impacts and effects of the climate crisis. -- SB0145

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SB0146 SD1 (SSCR 663)

RELATING TO CONDOMINIUMS.

Introduced by: Keohokalole J, Chang S, DeCorte S, Richards III H, San Buenaventura J

Establishes provisions relating to attorneys' fees and costs; and fines; when collectable under condominiums law. -- Establishes provisions relating to alternative dispute resolution under condominiums law. -- Establishes provisions relating to methods of dispute resolution; mediation; binding arbitration; early neutral evaluation; qualifications of mediators, arbitrators, and evaluators; disclosures by mediators, arbitrators, and evaluators. -- Amends provisions relating to mediation and arbitration of disputes; definitions; condominium education trust fund; condominium education trust fund; payments by associations and developers; association; powers; association; limitations on powers; board; powers and duties; association fiscal matters; lien for assessments; and association fiscal matters; budgets and replacement reserves. Repeals provisions relating to attorneys' fees, delinquent assessments, and expenses of enforcement; and provisions relating to alternative dispute resolution. Amends the conditions and procedures of alternative dispute resolution methods for condominium-related disputes. -- SB0146 SD1

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SB0147 SD2 (SSCR 1062)

RELATING TO CONDOMINIUMS.

Introduced by: Keohokalole J, Chang S, Inouye L

Establishes provisions relating to fines under condominiums law. Allows an association to impose a fine for the violation of the declaration, bylaws, or house rules adopted pursuant to this law; provided that the amount of the fine shall be reasonable. Prohibits attorneys' fees to be charged by an association against any unit owner or tenant, with respect to a fine, before the fine is deemed collectable. -- Amends provisions relating to

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association; powers; and association; limitations on powers; association fiscal matters; lien for assessments. -- SB0147 SD2

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0148 SD2 (SSCR 1063)

RELATING TO COMBAT SPORTS.

Introduced by: Keohokalole J, Chang S, Richards III H

Establishes provisions relating to combat sports contests. Defines combat sports to mean unarmed combat involving the use of a combination of techniques from different disciplines of martial arts, including grappling, kicking, and striking, subject to any applicable limits set forth in this provision and any rules adopted to implement these limits. -- Establishes provisions relating to deputy commissioners; other employees; powers and duties of the commission; jurisdiction of commission; licenses; promoters; requirements to hold a combat sports contest; licenses; participants; license fees; licenses; limitations and renewals; receipts and reports; failure to report receipts; admission tickets; inspectors; duties; judges; duties; health care provider; duties; referees; duties; timekeeper duties; drug test; withholding of wages; penalty; sham or false contests; forfeiture of license; sham or false contests; penalty against contestant; financial interest in combat sports contestants prohibited; wages of contestants; prepayment prohibited; disposition of receipts; summary disciplinary action; inapplicability to active duty armed forces, armed forces reserves, national guard, or police activities league; revocation; suspension; penalties. -- Amends provisions relating to department of commerce and consumer affairs. Repeals boxing commission. Adds combat sports commission of Hawaii. -- Amends provisions relating to state service fees; increase or decrease of; definitions under boxing contests law. Redefines commission to mean the combat sports commission of Hawaii. -- Amends provisions relating to commission established. Requires to be a board which shall be known as the combat sports commission of Hawaii. -- Amends provisions relating to judges; duties; sham boxing contest; penalty against contestant; limit of weight difference between contestants; amateur contestants entitled to medals and trophies only; disposition of receipts. -- Repeals the mixed martial arts contests law. -- Appropriation to the department of commerce and consumer affairs to establish and fund \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) positions within the department of commerce and consumer affairs for the combat sports commission of Hawaii. (\$\$) -- SB0148 SD2

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SB0157 SD2 (SSCR 986)

RELATING TO ANTITRUST.

Introduced by: Chang S

Establishes provisions relating to rent price-fixing; declared unlawful; civil actions; public education program. Requires it to be unlawful and a violation of this law for; a rental property owner, or any agent, representative, or subcontractor thereof, to subscribe to, contract with, or otherwise exchange any form of consideration in return for the use of services of a coordinator; a coordinator to facilitate an agreement among rental property owners that restricts competition with respect to residential dwelling units, including by performing a coordinating function; or 2 or more rental property owners to engage in consciously parallel pricing coordination. Requires the department of the attorney general to develop and implement a public education program to inform the citizens of the State about this provision. Requires a component of the public education program to include information posted on the website of the department of the attorney general and the steps a consumer may take if the consumer suspects a violation of this provision. Defines coordinating function to mean collecting historical or contemporaneous prices, supply levels, or lease or rental contract termination and renewal dates of residential dwelling units from 2 or more rental property owners; analyzing or processing of the information described in this provision through use of a system, software, or process that uses computation, including by using the information to train an algorithm; and recommending rental prices, lease renewal terms, or ideal occupancy levels to a rental property owner. -- Amends provisions relating to violation a felony. Specifies penalties for violation of provisions relating to rent price-fixing; declared unlawful; civil actions; public education program. -- SB0157 SD2

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SB0176 SD1 (SSCR 811)

RELATING TO RECOUNTS.

Introduced by: Rhoads K

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Amends provisions relating to counting of mail-in ballots; validity; ballots included in recounts; certification of final tabulation under elections, generally law. Requires the initial tabulation to include any ballots designated by the county clerks for inclusion. Prohibits ballots that the county clerks determine are deficient or need additional time to be corrected or verified from being included in the initial tabulation. -- Amends provisions relating to mandatory recount of votes. Amends the qualifying criteria for an automatic election recount by increasing the qualifying amount to equal to or less than 100 votes; or 1/2 of 1 percent of the total number of votes cast for the contest, whichever is lesser. -- SB0176 SD1

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SB0177 SD1 (SSCR 49)

### RELATING TO AQUACULTURE.

Introduced by: Wakai G, Chang S, DeCoite L, Hashimoto T, Inouye L, Kanuha D, Kidani M, Richards III H

Establishes provisions relating to aquatic livestock import assessment and approval process; rules. Provides that the division of animal industry shall have the authority to adopt, amend, and repeal rules not inconsistent with law, to develop an assessment and approval process to import and move aquatic livestock in the state. Requires this process to: be based on the framework maintained by the department pursuant to department of agriculture law and animals, brands, and fences law; include pre-arrival disease testing requirements, entry inspection, and post-arrival inspection; and require quarantine or depopulation of any aquatic animals as necessary. -- Establishes provisions relating to definitions under department of agriculture law. Defines aquatic livestock to mean various species of domestic and non-domestic fish, crustaceans, and mollusks that are propagated and raised for food, restorative activities, or similar commercial purposes. Defines Biocontainment to mean the methods, procedures, facility features, and containment or safety equipment for infectious materials and animals in the aquatic livestock environment where these materials and animals are potentially handled or maintained. Defines Biocontainment to include preventing the release of infectious animal species and associated pathogens into the environment. Defines biological aquatic risk to mean the combination of the consequences of an event and the associated likelihood of its occurrence, where biological material is the source of harm, whether from an escaped aquatic livestock species or associated pathogens or disease. -- Amends provisions relating to aquaculture program. Establishes within the department an aquaculture program that shall: undertake activities required to develop and expand the aquaculture industry, which shall include: developing a biological aquatic risk-based framework for an assessment and approval process for aquatic livestock that categorizes aquatic livestock species based on the probability and consequence of the establishment of a feral population; and developing biocontainment standards that establish physical and operational requirements. -- Amends provisions relating to division of animal industry. Requires the division of animal industry of the department of agriculture to administer this law subject to the supervision of the board. Allows except as provided by this provision, the board to delegate any of its powers under this law, except the power to make rules and regulations, or may direct any of its duties to be performed by any appropriate agents, officers, or employees of the board. -- Requires the division of animal industry to develop a biological aquatic risk-based framework for the assessment and approval process to import and move aquatic livestock in the state. -- Appropriation the department of agriculture for the division of animal industry to develop a biological aquatic risk-based framework pursuant to the requirements of this act. (\$\$) -- SB0177 SD1

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SB0183 SD1 (SSCR 349)

### RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND.

Introduced by: Aquino H

Amends provisions relating to scope of negotiations; consultation under collective bargaining in public employment law. Allows the resolution of disputes by way of arbitration to be available to resolve impasses or disputes relating to the amounts the state and counties shall contribute to the hawaii employer union health benefits trust fund. -- Amends provisions relating to resolution of disputes; impasses. Repeals the prohibition against strikes by members of bargaining units on the issue of the amounts of state and county contributions to the hawaii employer union health benefits trust fund. -- SB0183 SD1

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SB0191 SD1 (SSCR 148)

### RELATING TO ENERGY ASSISTANCE.

Introduced by: Fevella K, DeCorte S

Establishes within the department the Hawaii home energy assistance program. Allows subject to the availability of program funds, the program to assist eligible households with payment of costs associated with meeting an eligible household's home energy needs. Allows any person who is in need of public assistance as provided by this provision to submit an application in a form prescribed by the department that includes, at a minimum, documentation to prove that the person: is a resident of the state; has an active utilities account in the state; and satisfies the income eligibility limit and all other eligibility standards established by the department pursuant to this provision. Requires the public utilities commission public benefits fee administrator, in consultation with the department, to provide information and technical assistance about available energy efficiency programs to recipients, including an energy audit at the request of a recipient, and assist recipients with implementation of energy efficiency improvements, in accordance with provision relating to requirements for the public benefits fee administrator. Requires the department to adopt rules pursuant to administrative procedure law for purposes of this provision. -- Amends provisions relating to requirements for the public benefits fee administrator. Requires the public benefits fee administrator's duties and responsibilities to be established by the public utilities commission by rule or order, and may include: providing information and technical assistance about available energy efficiency programs to recipients of the Hawaii home energy assistance program, including an energy audit if requested by the recipient, and assisting the recipients with implementation of energy efficiency improvements. -- Appropriation to the department of human services to establish 1 full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) position and 2 temporary full-time equivalent (2.0 FTE) positions; make system modifications; and contract services as may be necessary, for the purposes of implementing the Hawaii home energy assistance program established pursuant to provision 2 of this act. (\$\$) -- SB0191 SD1

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SB0222 SD1 (SSCR 704)

### RELATING TO FIREWORKS.

Introduced by: Elefante B, Aquino H, Chang S, Hashimoto T, Kanuha D, McKelvey A, Moriwaki S, Richards III H

Appropriation to the department of law enforcement for the purpose of supporting the work of the illegal fireworks task force established pursuant to Act 67, Session Laws of Hawaii 2023, relating to fireworks, including: costs associated with the operation of the task force and hiring of necessary administrative support staff; and reimbursement of moneys to law enforcement agencies for task-force-related law enforcement operations, including law enforcement personnel, overtime and other salary-related payments, charges for fuel, equipment, and storage and disposal of confiscated fireworks. -- Amends Act 67, Session Laws of Hawaii 2023, relating to fireworks. Requires the task force to submit an interim report on the status of its comprehensive strategic plan, including findings, recommendations, and any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each of the regular sessions of 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028, and 2029. Requires the task force to submit a final report of its comprehensive strategic plan, including findings, recommendations, and any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2030. Report to the legislature. -- Requires this act to be repealed on June 30, 2030. (sunset). (\$\$) -- SB0222 SD1

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SB0223 SD2 (SSCR 1053)

### RELATING TO FIRE PREVENTION.

Introduced by: Elefante B, Aquino H, Chang S, Fukunaga C, Hashimoto T, Moriwaki S  
Amends provisions relating to responsible agency under land fire protection law. Requires the department to establish an independent program relating to the prevention, control, and extinguishment of wildland fires within forest reserves. -- Amends provisions relating to powers and duties of the administrator and managers to include establishing and maintaining facilities for the performance of fire protection, fire prevention, pest control, and forest and range protection and enhancement activities. -- Appropriation to the department of land and natural resources for the purposes of this provision and the establishment of \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) positions. -- Requires the state fire



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council to amend the state fire code to require certain owners or occupants of any building, structure, or other premises located in a hazardous fire area to maintain an effective firebreak within 30 feet of the building, structure, or premises; and to meet other fire prevention criteria. -- Requires the department of land and natural resources to establish and implement a community fuels reduction project to reduce hazardous wildfire fuels on state lands, particularly on lands adjacent to communities. Requires the community fuels reduction project to meet certain requirements. Requires the department of land and natural resources to submit a report to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session detailing the progress made. (Report to the legislature). -- Appropriation to the department of land and natural resources for the purposes of this Act. (\$\$) -- SB0223 SD2

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SB0224 SD1 (SSCR 843)

RELATING TO IDENTIFICATION.

Introduced by: Elefante B, Aquino H, Chang S, Kanuha D, McKelvey A, San Buenaventura J, Wakai G

Amends provisions relating to offender reentry; identification documents note. Provides that the department, in collaboration with the department of transportation and the examiner of drivers of each county, shall inform inmates that departmental assistance is available to obtain civil identification cards, in accordance with part XVI of highway safety law, and upon request shall assist inmates in obtaining a civil identification card as soon as practicable but at least 1 year before the inmate's parole or release date; provided that the department shall assist inmates in obtaining a civil identification card even if the department fails to meet the deadline pursuant to this provision. Requires the department, in collaboration with appropriate federal, state, and county agencies, to also inform inmates of the availability of departmental assistance to obtain the inmate's birth certificate, social security card, and any other relevant identification documents necessary for the inmate to transition into the workforce, access social services, secure or verify applicable medicaid eligibility, and secure housing, and upon request shall assist the inmates in obtaining the identifying documents as soon as practicable but at least 1 year before the inmate's parole or release date; provided that the department shall assist inmates in obtaining the identifying documents even if the department fails to meet the deadline pursuant to this provision. Provides that an inmate released to work furlough, extended furlough, or community placement programs, the department shall initiate the process of assisting the inmate pursuant to this provision by providing the forms necessary for the inmate to obtain civil identification cards and other identifying documents to the inmate as soon as practicable but at least 90 days before the inmate's release date; provided that the department shall provide the forms necessary for the inmate to obtain civil identification cards and other identifying documents even if the department fails to meet the deadline pursuant to this provision. -- SB0224 SD1

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SB0227 SD1 (SSCR 727)

RELATING TO FIREWORKS.

Introduced by: Elefante B, Aquino H, Chang S, Fevella K, Fukunaga C, Gabbard M, Inouye L, Kanuha D, Rhoads K, Wakai G

Establishes provisions relating to fireworks enforcement division. Establishes within the department of law enforcement an illegal fireworks enforcement division. Requires the illegal fireworks enforcement division to use the findings from the illegal fireworks task force established pursuant to Act 67, Session Laws of Hawaii 2023, as a basis for developing a comprehensive strategic plan to stop the importation and distribution of illegal fireworks and explosives in the state, promote compliance with the state fireworks control laws, and ensure the safety and security of critical infrastructure against the discharge of illegal fireworks. -- Appropriation to the department of law enforcement to carry out the purposes of this Act, including the operation of the fireworks enforcement division; and the reimbursement of funds to law enforcement agencies for division-related law enforcement operations, including law enforcement personnel, overtime and other salary-related payments, charges for fuel, equipment, technology, and storage and disposal of confiscated fireworks. Appropriation to the department of law enforcement for the establishment of 6 permanent positions within the illegal fireworks enforcement division of the department of law enforcement as follows; 1 full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) division administrator position; 4 full-time equivalent (4.0 FTE) state law enforcement investigator positions; and 1 full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) clerk position, who shall be exempt from civil service law. Requires this Act to be repealed on June 30, 2028

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SB0228 SD1 (SSCR 528)

RELATING TO EXCITED DELIRIUM.

Introduced by: Elefante B, Chang S

Establishes provisions relating to cause of death excited; delirium prohibited. Prohibits excited delirium to be recognized as a valid medical diagnosis or cause of death in the state. Prohibits a local health officer or local agent of the department of health to document, testify to, or otherwise use excited delirium as a recognized medical diagnosis or cause of death in any official capacity or communication. Prohibits a local health officer or local agent of the department of health to state on the certificate of death, or in any report, that the cause of death was excited delirium. Requires the local health officer or local agent of the department of health to list and describe the contributing causes of death, but shall not describe the underlying cause as excited delirium. Defines excited delirium to mean a term used to describe a person's state of agitation, excitability, paranoia, extreme aggression, physical violence, and apparent immunity to pain that is not listed in the most current version of the diagnostic and statistical manual of mental disorders. -- Establishes provisions relating to incident reports; excited delirium prohibited. Prohibits a law enforcement officer to use the term excited delirium to describe an individual in an incident report completed by a law enforcement officer. Provides that a law enforcement officer may describe the characteristics of an individual's conduct, but shall not generally describe the individual's demeanor, conduct, or physical and mental condition at issue as excited delirium. Provides that excited delirium shall have the same meaning as in provisions relating to vital statistics. Provides that law enforcement officer shall have the same meaning as in provision relating to definitions under firearms, ammunition and dangerous weapons law. -- SB0228 SD1

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SB0242 SD2 (SSCR 1054)

RELATING TO FOREIGN OWNERSHIP OF AGRICULTURAL LAND.

Introduced by: Gabbard M, Awa B

Establishes the limitations on the purchase of agricultural lands by foreign entities law. Establishes provisions relating to restrictions on foreign ownership of agricultural lands. Prohibits a foreign entity to own, lease, or hold a controlling interest in more than \_\_\_\_\_ acres of agricultural land within the State. Prohibits any agricultural land within the State shall be sold, transferred, or leased for a period exceeding 5 years to a foreign entity. -- Establishes provisions relating to disclosure and transparency requirements. Requires all foreign entities with ownership or leasehold interest in agricultural land within the State to file an annual report to the department of agricultural detailing total acreage and location of land owned or leased; types of agricultural production or land use; and any material changes in ownership or leasehold status. -- Establishes provisions relating to enforcement and penalties. Establishes penalties. -- Appropriation to the department of agriculture for the department of agriculture to maintain a public registry of foreign-owned agricultural lands. (\$\$) -- SB0242 SD2

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SB0252 SD2 (SSCR 987)

RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES.

Introduced by: Keohokalole J, Aquino H, Fukunaga C, Gabbard M, Moriwaki S, Rhoads K

Amends provisions relating to definitions; conditions of importation under plant and non-domestic animal quarantine and microorganism import law. Prohibits the importation of any material that is infested or infected with an insect or other animal, disease, or pest, or that is itself a pest, unless appropriate authorization is obtained from the department before importation. -- Allows an inspector to conduct inspections of persons, baggage, cargo, and any other articles destined for movement between the Hawaiian Islands or importation into the State from the continental United States or any territory or possession of the United States for the purpose of determining whether an insect, pest, disease, or prohibited, restricted, or regulated taxon is present; may enter and inspect any aircraft, vessel, or other carrier at any time after its arrival within the boundaries of the State, whether offshore, at the pier, or at the airport, and enter into or upon any pier, warehouse, airport, or any other place in the State for the purpose of conducting inspections authorized by this provision; and may inspect any baggage and cargo on the pier, vessel, or aircraft, or in any quarantine or inspection area. -- Amends provisions

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relating to what constitutes importation; penalty. Clarifies penalties. -- SB0252 SD2  
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SB0253 SD2 (SSCR 907)

### RELATING TO CONDOMINIUM RESERVES.

Introduced by: Keohokalole J, Fukunaga C, San Buenaventura J  
Amends provisions relating to association fiscal matters; budgets and replacement reserves. Requires the budget under provisions relating to association fiscal matters; assessments for common expenses to include a detailed budget summary containing all required information without referring the reader to other portions of the budget or reserve study. Prohibits the good faith defense to apply to an association if its board adopts a budget that omits the summary required under provisions relating to association fiscal matters; budgets and replacement reserves. Requires any unit owner whose association board fails to comply with this provision to have standing to bring an action to enforce compliance by the board. Requires an association board to have the burden of proving it has complied with this provision in any action to enforce compliance. -- SB0253 SD2  
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SB0262 SD1 (SSCR 812)

### RELATING TO PROSPECTIVE JURORS.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)  
Establishes provisions relating to definitions under jurors law. Defines juror qualification form to mean the juror qualification form described in provisions relating to juror qualification form. -- Amends provisions relating to juror qualification form. Requires the clerk or the clerk's designee to make available to every name on the list a juror qualification form accompanied by instructions to fill out and return the form to the clerk or the clerk's designee within 10 days after its receipt; provided that the court shall determine the format of the form and the means of its delivery and return; provided further that the court may contact any 1 juror more than once and by more than 1 method. Allows that in any case in which it appears that there is an omission, ambiguity, or error in a form completed by a prospective juror, the clerk or the clerk's designee to return the form with instructions to the prospective juror to make such additions or corrections as may be necessary and to return the form to the clerk or the clerk's designee within 10 days after its receipt. -- SB0262 SD1  
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SB0264 SD1 (SSCR 28)

### RELATING TO THE EXAMINATION OF CRIMINAL DEFENDANTS.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)  
Amends provisions relating to examination of defendant with respect to physical or mental disease, disorder, or defect excluding fitness to proceed law and examination of defendant with respect to physical or mental disease, disorder, or defect excluding penal responsibility law. Requires the compensation of persons making or assisting in the examination, other than those retained by a nonindigent defendant, who are not undertaking the examination upon designation by the director of health as part of their normal duties as employees of the state or a county, to be paid by the judiciary in the amount of 2,000 dollars, which amount includes compensation for the examination, the drafting of the report, and any consultation, preparation, testimony, and attendance in court. -- Appropriation to the judiciary for the purposes of this Act. (\$\$) -- SB0264 SD1  
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SB0268 SD1 (SSCR 209)

### RELATING TO ISLAND BURIAL COUNCILS.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)  
Amends provisions relating to island burial councils; creation; appointment; composition; duties. Provides that there shall be established within the department 5 island burial councils, 1 each for Hawai'i, Maui/Lana'i, Moloka'i, Oahu, and Kaua'i/Ni'ihau, to implement provisions relating to prehistoric and historic burial sites. Requires each council shall consist of 7 members, except the Moloka'i council, which shall consist of 5 members. -- SB0268 SD1  
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SB0279

### RELATING TO DANGEROUS DRUGS.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

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Amends provisions relating to promoting a dangerous drug in the 1st degree. Provides that a person commits the offense of promoting a dangerous drug in the 1st degree if the person knowingly: Possesses 1 or more preparations, compounds, mixtures, or substances of an aggregate weight of 1 ounce or more, containing methamphetamine, heroin, morphine, fentanyl, or cocaine or any of their respective salts, isomers, and salts of isomers; or distributes 1 or more preparations, compound mixtures, or substance of an aggregate weight of; 1/8th ounce or more, containing methamphetamine, heroin, morphine, fentanyl, or cocaine or any of their respective salts, isomers, and salts of isomers. -- Amends provisions relating to promoting a dangerous drug in the 2nd degree. Provides that a person commits the offense of promoting a dangerous drug in the 2nd degree if the person knowingly: possesses 1 or more preparations, compounds, mixtures, or substances of an aggregate weight of: 1/8th ounce or more, containing methamphetamine, heroin, morphine, fentanyl, or cocaine or any of their respective salts, isomers, and salts of isomers. -- SB0279

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SB0281 SD1 (SSCR 814)

### RELATING TO TORTURE.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to torture. Establishes that any person who: knowingly causes serious bodily injury to another person within the actor's custody or physical control; Knowingly causes serious bodily injury or substantial bodily injury to another person, and the actor has previously engaged in a pattern or practice of physically abusing the other person; or knowingly subjects a minor or vulnerable person to any of the following acts, or to any substantially similar act, on 3 or more occasions within a period of 2 years is guilty of the offense of torture. -- SB0281 SD1

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SB0283 SD1 (SSCR 694)

### RELATING TO BRIBERY.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to bribery under offenses against public administration law. Provides that bribery is a class A felony without the possibility of probation or suspension of sentence if the public servant is an elected or appointed official and the value of the pecuniary benefit described in this provision exceeds 50,000 dollars; or the person commits 3 or more acts of bribery as described in this provision in any 3 year period and the value, or aggregate value, of the pecuniary benefit of the acts exceeds 50,000 dollars. Prohibits a person convicted under this provision to be eligible for deferred acceptance of guilty plea or nolo contendere plea under criminal procedure: deferred acceptance of guilty law. -- SB0283 SD1

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SB0284 SD1 (SSCR 882)

### RELATING TO INTERCEPTION OF WIRE, ORAL, OR ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to procedure for interception of wire, oral, or electronic communication. Requires each application for an order authorizing or approving the interception of a wire, oral, or electronic communication to be made in writing upon oath or affirmation to a designated judge and shall be accompanied by a written memorandum recommending approval or disapproval by the department of the attorney general. Provides that if the application is being prepared by the prosecuting attorney of a county, the department of the attorney general shall provide its memorandum to the prosecuting attorney within 24 hours of the attorney's request to the department. -- Establishes provisions relating to emergency applications and orders. Provides that an order authorizing or approving the interception of a wire, oral, or electronic communication is immediately necessary to prevent death or injury, an emergency application for an emergency order authorizing or approving the interception of a wire, oral, or electronic communication may be submitted to a designated judge without a written memorandum recommending approval or disapproval by the department of the attorney general; provided that: the emergency application attests that the interception of a wire, oral, or electronic communication is immediately necessary to prevent death or injury; the emergency application identifies the person or persons who are in danger of death or injury, if the identity of the person or persons is known; the emergency application meets all other requirements for an application for an order authorizing or approving the

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interception of a wire, oral, or electronic communication as set forth in this provision; the emergency order authorizing or approving the interception of a wire, oral, or electronic communication contains a finding that the order needed to be granted immediately to prevent death or injury; and the emergency order states that the interception shall terminate when the danger of death or injury has abated, a follow-up application for an order authorizing or approving the interception of a wire, oral, or electronic communication has been denied, or 48 hours have passed since the granting of the emergency order if no follow-up order has been granted. Provides that if an emergency order authorizing or approving the interception of a wire, oral, or electronic communication is granted, a follow-up application for a follow-up order authorizing or approving the interception of a wire, oral, or electronic communication shall be submitted to a designated judge within 48 hours of the granting of the emergency order. Requires the follow-up application to: meet all of the requirements for an application for an order authorizing or approving the interception of a wire, oral, or electronic communication set forth in this provision; and be accompanied by a written memorandum recommending approval or disapproval by the department of the attorney general; provided that the department of the attorney general shall provide the written memorandum within 24 hours of the request for the written memorandum. Requires the interception of any wire, oral, or electronic communication authorized or approved by an emergency order to immediately terminate if: the danger of death or injury has abated; a follow-up application is denied; or a follow-up order authorizing or approving the interception of a wire, oral, or electronic communication is not granted within 48 hours after the granting of the emergency order. Provides that in the event a follow-up application for an order authorizing or approving the interception of a wire, oral, or electronic communication is denied, or in any other case where a follow-up order is not granted by a designated judge within 48 hours after the granting of an emergency order, the contents of any wire, oral, or electronic communication intercepted shall be treated as having been obtained in violation of this law. Allows an application for a follow-up order and the granting of a follow-up order to occur after the interception has terminated; provided that the follow-up order is granted within 48 hours of the granting of the emergency order. Provides that except as specifically provided by this provision, all emergency applications for an order authorizing or approving the interception of a wire, oral, or electronic communication, emergency orders authorizing or approving the interception of a wire, oral, or electronic communication, follow-up applications for an order authorizing or approving the interception of a wire, oral, or electronic communication, and follow-up orders authorizing or approving the interception of a wire, oral, or electronic communication shall be subject to the requirements set forth in this provision. -- SB0284 SD1

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SB0289

RELATING TO ETHICS ADMINISTRATIVE FINES.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to requirements of disclosure under standards of conduct law; duties of commission; complaint, hearing, determination; and administration under lobbyists law. Establishes uniform provisions for the assessment of administrative penalties under the standards of conduct law and lobbyist law. -- SB0289

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SB0292 SD1 (SSCR 815)

RELATING TO SEXUAL EXPLOITATION.

Introduced by: San Buenaventura J, Aquino H, Chang S, DeCoite L, Fevella K, Gabbard M, Hashimoto T, McKelvey A, Richards III H

Amends provisions relating to prostitution. Defines seeks medical or law enforcement assistance to include but is not limited to making, or assisting someone who is making, a report to the 911 system, a poison control center, a medical provider, a reproductive health provider, or any law enforcement agency or providing care to someone who is awaiting the arrival of medical or law enforcement personnel. Provides that a person, except for a person who provides, agrees to provide, or offers to provide a fee or anything of value to another person to engage in sexual conduct, who in good faith seeks medical or law enforcement assistance for themselves or another person, or is the subject of another person's good faith act seeking medical or law enforcement assistance, shall not be arrested, charged, prosecuted, or convicted; have their property be subject to civil forfeiture; or otherwise be penalized, pursuant to this provision if the probable cause or evidence for the arrest, charge, prosecution, conviction, seizure, or penalty was gained as a result of seeking medical or law enforcement assistance;

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provided that this provision shall not apply to any other criminal offense. -- Amends provisions relating to loitering for the purpose of engaging in or advancing prostitution; and street prostitution and commercial sexual exploitation; designated areas. -- SB0292 SD1

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SB0295 SD1 (SSCR 878)

### RELATING TO DOMESTIC ABUSE PROTECTIVE ORDERS.

Introduced by: San Buenaventura J, Chang S, Fevella K, Fukunaga C, Wakai G  
Amends provisions relating to temporary restraining order. Provides that the court additionally shall sentence a person convicted under this provision; for a 1st conviction for a violation of the temporary restraining order, the person shall serve a mandatory minimum jail sentence of 5 days and be fined not less than 300 dollars nor more than 500 dollars; for a 1st conviction for a violation of the temporary restraining order, if the person has a prior conviction for specific felonies; and if any of these offenses has been committed against a family or household member, the person shall serve a mandatory minimum term of imprisonment of 30 days and be fined not less than 350 dollars nor more than 600 dollars; and for the 2nd and any subsequent conviction for a violation of the temporary restraining order, the person shall serve a mandatory minimum jail sentence of 45 days and be fined not less than 500 dollars nor more than 1,000 dollars; provided that the court shall not sentence a defendant to pay a fine if the court make an on the record determination that the defendant is or will be unable to pay the fine. -- Amends provisions relating to violation of an order for protection. Requires the court additionally to sentence a person convicted under this provision; for a 1st conviction for violation of the order for protection the person shall be sentenced to a mandatory minimum jail sentence of not less than 5 days and be fined not less than 300 dollars nor more than 500 dollars; provided that a conviction for violation of a temporary restraining order, issued under the same judicial case number as the order for protection, shall be treated as a 2nd or subsequent violation of an order for protection; for the 2nd and any subsequent conviction for violation of the order for protection that occurs after a 1st conviction for violation of the same order or conviction for a violation of the temporary restraining order, the person shall be sentenced to a mandatory minimum jail sentence of not less than 45 days and be fined not less than 500 dollars nor more than 1,000 dollars; provided that the court shall not sentence a defendant to pay a fine if the court makes an on the record determination that the defendant is or will be unable to pay the fine. -- SB0295 SD1

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SB0298 SD1 (SSCR 565)

### RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES.

Introduced by: San Buenaventura J, Aquino H, Chang S, DeCoite L, Fevella K, Fukunaga C, Hashimoto T, Kanuha D, McKelvey A, Moriwaki S, Rhoads K, Richards III H

Appropriation to the department of human services to increase funding for Medicaid in-home services. (\$\$) -- SB0298 SD1

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SB0299 SD2 (SSCR 917)

### RELATING TO LOAN REPAYMENT FOR HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS.

Introduced by: San Buenaventura J, Aquino H, Chang S, Fevella K, Hashimoto T, Kanuha D, McKelvey A, Moriwaki S, Rhoads K, Richards III H

Appropriation to the department of health for the healthcare education loan repayment program; provided that to qualify for a loan repayment using funds appropriated in this act, an applicant for loan repayment assistance shall commit to not less than \_\_\_\_\_ years of full-time service in the State. (\$\$) -- SB0299 SD2

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SB0301 SD1 (SSCR 308)

### RELATING TO DOGS.

Introduced by: San Buenaventura J, Chang S, Gabbard M, Richards III H

Amends provisions relating to liability of dog owner; penalty. Requires any dog owner found liable this provision to be fined not less than 1,000 dollars, in addition to the penalties imposed under this provision, if the dog was on private property zoned for agricultural use when the violation occurred. -- SB0301 SD1

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SB0304 SD1 (SSCR 151)

### RELATING TO THE JUDICIARY.

Introduced by: Rhoads K

Appropriation to the judiciary to establish permanent positions in adult services probation of the 1st circuit court for operating expenses including: \_\_\_\_\_ dollars each for \_\_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_\_ FTE) probation officer positions; \_\_\_\_\_ dollars each for \_\_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_\_ FTE) social worker assistant positions; \_\_\_\_\_ dollars each for \_\_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_\_ FTE) clerk positions. -- Appropriation to the judiciary for operating expenses for adult services probation of 1st circuit court. (\$\$) -- SB0304 SD1

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SB0307 SD2 (SSCR 902)

### RELATING TO RECORDINGS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES.

Introduced by: Rhoads K, Chang S

Establishes the recording law enforcement activities law. Establishes provisions relating to right to record law enforcement activities. Requires a person neither under arrest or in the custody of a law enforcement officer to have the right to record law enforcement activity and to maintain custody and control of that recording and of any property or instruments used by that person to record law enforcement activities; provided that person does not forfeit the right to have any recordings or the right to have any property and equipment used for the recording to be maintained and returned to that person. -- Establishes provisions relating to private right of action. Establishes a claim of unlawful interference with recording a law enforcement activity when a person demonstrates that the person exercised or attempted to exercise the right to record law enforcement activities pursuant to this provision and a law enforcement officer acted to interfere with that person's recording of a law enforcement activity. -- Establishes provisions relating to preservation of rights. Requires the rights under this law to be in addition to all other rights and remedies available pursuant to law. -- SB0307 SD2

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SB0308 SD2 (SSCR 1057)

### RELATING TO FIREARMS.

Introduced by: Rhoads K, Chang S, Kidani M, Moriwaki S

Amends provisions relating to ownership, etc., of automatic firearms, silencers, etc., prohibited; penalties. Provides that the manufacture, possession, sale, barter, trade, gift, transfer, or acquisition of any detachable ammunition magazine with a capacity in excess of 30 rounds that is designed for or capable of use with any firearm other than a pistol is prohibited. Prohibits this provision to apply to magazines originally designed to accept more than 10 rounds of ammunition that have been modified to accept not more than 10 rounds and which are not capable of being readily restored to a capacity of more than 10 rounds. -- SB0308 SD2

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SB0311 SD1 (SSCR 713)

### PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE HAWAII STATE CONSTITUTION REGARDING THE FREEDOM OF SPEECH.

Introduced by: Rhoads K, Chang S, Fukunaga C, Inouye L, Kidani M, McKelvey A, Moriwaki S, San Buenaventura J

Proposes to amend the Hawaii state constitution. Amends provisions related to freedom of religion, speech, press, assembly and petition law. Prohibits the freedom of speech to include the expenditure of money to influence elections. -- SB0311 SD1

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SB0312

### RELATING TO AUDIBLE VEHICLE REVERSE WARNING SYSTEMS.

Introduced by: Rhoads K, Chang S, Fukunaga C, Kim D

Establishes provisions relating to audible reverse warning systems. Provides that no state or county-owned vehicle purchased on or after January 1, 2028, shall use an audible reverse warning system that emits a warning sound other than 1 using broadband technology. Defines vehicle to include earthmoving and compacting equipment such as scrapers, loaders, crawler or wheel tractors, bulldozers, off-highway trucks, graders, agricultural and industrial tractors, and similar equipment. -- SB0312

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SB0321 SD1 (SSCR 896)

### RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

Introduced by: San Buenaventura J, Chang S, Fevella K, Hashimoto T, Lee C  
Establishes provisions relating to private streets; ownership. Requires fee simple absolute title of a privately owned highway, road, alley, street, way, lane, bikeway, bridge, or trail held by a subdivider to be deemed transferred to owners of property contiguous or adjacent thereto, when the subdivider has dissolved or ceased to exist for not less than 5 years; and there has not been a dedication of the privately owned highway, road, alley, street, way, lane, bikeway, bridge, or trail by deed of conveyance naming the State or county as grantee pursuant to public highways, generally. Defines community association to mean a nonprofit homeowners or community association existing pursuant to covenants running with the land. Defines subdivider to mean a person, firm, corporation, partnership, association, trust, or other legal entity or combination thereof causing land to be subdivided or consolidated, which is the owner of the land or the duly authorized agent or lessee of the owner. -- SB0321 SD1

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SB0325 SD1 (SSCR 678)

### RELATING TO THE GENERAL FUND.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D

Requires there to be allowed each resident individual taxpayer who files an individual income tax return for the taxable year 2025 and who is not claimed or is not otherwise eligible to be claimed as a dependent by another taxpayer for federal or Hawaii state individual income tax purposes, a general income tax credit of \_\_\_\_ dollars, which shall be deducted from income tax liability computed under income tax law; provided that a resident individual who has no income or no income taxable under income tax law, and who is not claimed or is not otherwise eligible to be claimed as a dependent by another taxpayer for federal or Hawaii state individual income tax purposes may claim this credit. -- Appropriation in accordance with article VII, section 6, of the Hawaii State Constitution for deposit into the other post-employment benefits trust fund. Appropriation in accordance with article VII, section 6, of the Hawaii State Constitution for deposit into the emergency and budget reserve fund. (\$\$) -- SB0325 SD1

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SB0326 SD1 (SSCR 692)

### RELATING TO REVOLVING FUNDS.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D, Chang S, Hashimoto T, Inouye L, Kanuha D, Kidani M, Lee C, Moriwaki S, Wakai G

Amends provisions relating to criteria for the establishment and continuance of revolving funds. Requires the legislature, in establishing or reviewing a revolving fund to determine whether it should be continued, to ensure that the revolving fund demonstrates the capacity to be financially self sustaining by annual projections that show that the revolving fund will be sustainable without appropriations of general funds into the revolving fund; or a schedule of projected collections of outstanding payments to the revolving fund that will capitalize the revolving fund. -- SB0326 SD1

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SB0327 SD2 (SSCR 686)

### RELATING TO INTERNSHIPS.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D, Aquino H, Chang S, DeCoite L, Hashimoto T, Kanuha D, Kidani M, Kim D, Moriwaki S, San Buenaventura J

Establishes provisions relating to on-the-job training work experience program; private sector. Allows the department of labor and industrial relations to enter into contracts with employers or registered apprenticeship program sponsors in the private sector to provide on-the-job training to eligible interns. Allows the department to provide to the employers or sponsors up to 20.00 dollars per hour in reimbursements for wages only, but not for fringe benefits or other costs, for the extraordinary costs of training and supervising an intern. Exempts the employers or sponsors from being required to provide documentation of these extraordinary costs. Requires eligible employer and sponsors to demonstrate compliance with Hawaii compliance express or any successor program established to facilitate compliance with provisions relating to responsibility of offerors. Requires contracts entered into pursuant to this provision to be limited to a period of 12 weeks, with an extension of 12 additional weeks if approved by the director of labor and industrial relations; provided that the term of the internship shall be sufficient to allow the



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participant to gain relevant skills and experience in the occupation for which training is provided. Provides that in determining the appropriate length of the contract, the director shall consider the occupation's skill requirements; intern's existing academic and occupational skill levels; and intern's prior work experience. Requires the employer or sponsor to comply with State and federal minimum wage rates and overtime requirements pursuant to wage and hour law and the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended. Requires the department of labor and industrial relations to adopt rules pursuant to administrative procedure law and systems, as necessary, to develop and implement the program, including rules and systems allowing the department to: ensure that participating interns are eligible pursuant to this provision and participating employers or sponsors are eligible pursuant to this provision; ensure that interns are referred by the department to employers or sponsors and not directly by the employer or sponsors; reimburse employers or sponsors up to 20.00 dollars per hour for wages only for the extraordinary costs of providing intern training and supervision; develop a training plan for each intern in collaboration with the intern and employer or sponsor; monitor each intern's progress in the program to ensure that training plan objectives are being met; consult with interns and onsite supervisors to address any problems affecting the training plan; terminate an internship, if necessary, due to problems at the worksite caused by either the intern or the employer or sponsor; and limit employer or sponsor participation to not more than 5 interns at 1 time, as tracked by the federal employer identification number of the employer or sponsor. Requires the department to develop eligibility criteria for interns. Requires the department to develop eligibility criteria for employers or sponsors. Report to the legislature. -- Establishes provisions relating to placement of interns in state executive branch departments; agencies, or programs; interagency collaboration. Requires the department of labor and industrial relations to collaborate with the department of human resources development to process all public program applications and place interns in temporary or permanent positions at state executive branch departments, agencies, or programs. -- Amends provisions relating to coverage for workers' compensation. Requires the State to be deemed to be the responsible employer for the purposes of workers' compensation coverage, as provided for in workers' compensation law, when a student or recent graduate performs paid or unpaid work for a private or public employer as part of a school-approved, work-based learning program sponsored by the department of education or university of Hawaii or as part of the on-the-job training work experience program established in this provision; provided that workers' compensation coverage for a recent graduate shall lapse on the last day of February following the graduating year or the date the internship ends, whichever occurs earlier. -- SB0327 SD2

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#### RELATING TO TAXATION.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D, Aquino H, Chang S, DeCoite L, Hashimoto T, Inouye L, Kidani M, Kim D

Establishes provisions relating to dairy farm retrofit income tax credit under income tax law. Provides a dairy farm retrofit income tax credit to be equal to 50 per cent of the capital infrastructure costs incurred in connection with the conversion of a dairy farm to a qualified farm, up to a maximum of 1,000,000 dollars, by a business that currently owns capital or property or operates a hog farm at former dairy farm facilities; and whose principal business is animal husbandry. -- SB0328 SD1

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### SB0329

#### RELATING TO WATER POLLUTION.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D, Chang S, DeCoite L, Hashimoto T, Kanuha D, Kidani M, Kim D, San Buenaventura J

Establishes provisions relating to recycled water; requirement. Requires no less than 50 per cent of treatment works effluent to be recycled water classified as R-1 and that is suitable for use in recycled water systems by January 1, 2045. -- Amends provisions relating to treated or raw sewage; prohibition. Prohibits a person, including any public body, to discharge any treated or raw sewage into state waters after December 31, 2030; provided that this provision shall not apply to a sewage treatment plant that utilizes sewage to produce clean energy pursuant to provisions relating to Hawaii Clean Energy Initiative Program and has primary and secondary outfalls; provided that the primary outfall shall not be located in state waters. -- SB0329

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SB0330 SD1 (SSCR 299)

### RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES PREVENTION.

Introduced by: Keohokalole J, Aquino H, Chang S, DeCoite L, DeCorte S, Elefante B, Fevella K, Fukunaga C, Hashimoto T, Kanuha D, Moriwaki S, Rhoads K, Richards III H  
Establishes provisions relating to federal and state quarantines; enforcement; cooperative agreements. Allows the department of agriculture to enter into cooperative agreements with the united states department of agriculture, and other federal, state, or county agencies to assist in the enforcement of federal quarantines. Allows the department of agriculture to establish a quarantine and adopt rules against a pest or an area not covered by a federal regulations or orders. Allows the department of agriculture to seize, destroy, or require treatment of articles moved from a federally regulated area if the articles were not moved in accordance with the federal quarantine rules or, if certified, the articles were found to be infested with the pest. Requires interstate shipments for entry into the state to be subject to certain restrictions. -- SB0330 SD1

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House

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SB0332 SD1 (SSCR 168)

### RELATING TO FORECLOSURES.

Introduced by: Chang S

Establishes provisions relating to bundled properties; prohibition. Prohibits a mortgagee to bundle mortgaged properties for the purpose of public sale and each mortgaged property to be bid on separately, unless the deed or mortgage otherwise requires. -- Establishes provisions relating to eligible bidder; subsequent bid. Prohibits the public sale of mortgaged property under a power of sale foreclosure or alternate power of sale process under this law to an eligible bidder to not be deemed final until 15 days after the public sale; or 45 days after the public sale. -- Amends provisions relating to authorized bidder; successful law. Provides that if the successful bidder loses the bid to an eligible bidder pursuant to foreclosures law, the downpayment shall be refunded. -- SB0332 SD1

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SB0336

### RELATING TO THE DEFENSE OF STATE EMPLOYEES.

Introduced by: Aquino H, Chang S, Fevella K, Gabbard M, Rhoads K

Establishes provisions relating to defense of professionally licensed or certified state employees; decision not to defend. Requires the attorney general, on behalf of the state, to defend any civil action or proceeding brought in any court against any professionally licensed or certified employee of the state for damage to property or personal injury, including death, resulting from the act or omission of the professionally licensed or certified state employee while acting within the scope of the employee's employment; provided that the attorney general shall have no obligation to defend when the civil action or proceeding results from the professionally licensed or certified state employee's gross negligence or wanton act or omission, or if the employee does not provide all information and assistance that the attorney general deems necessary to the defense of the employee. Allows the professionally licensed or certified state employee to employ an attorney at the employee's own expense, in lieu of the attorney general, to defend any civil action or proceeding brought in any court against the employee. Establishes a process for the attorney general to transfer or withdraw representation if the attorney general declines to defend the employee. -- SB0336

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House

Mar-06 25 Multiple Referral to JHA then FIN

SB0338 SD2 (SSCR 828)

### RELATING TO TAXATION.

Introduced by: Aquino H, Chang S, Fevella K

Amends provisions relating to technology infrastructure renovation tax credit. Requires the infrastructure renovation tax credit allowed to be available for taxable years after December 31, 2025, but to not be available for taxable years after December 31, 2027. Redefines technology-enabled infrastructure to include data servers. -- Requires the department of taxation to submit a report of its findings and recommendations on the collection of the technology infrastructure renovation tax credit pursuant to this Act, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2029. (Report to the legislature). -- SB0338 SD2

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SB0340 SD1 (SSCR 202)

RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING IN PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT.

Introduced by: Aquino H, Chang S, Fevella K, Moriwaki S, Rhoads K

Amends provisions relating to hawaii labor relations board. Requires the hawaii labor relations board to conduct proceedings on complaints of prohibited practices by employers, employees, and employee organizations and take actions with respect thereto as it deems necessary and proper, including exercising its powers under this law to enforce its own orders, in addition to its discretion to seek enforcement of an order of the board pursuant to provisions relating to prevention of unfair labor practices. -- SB0340 SD1

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0344 SD1 (SSCR 128)

RELATING TO HIGHWAY SAFETY.

Introduced by: Rhoads K

Establishes provisions relating to skateboards; helmets required. Requires no person under 16 years of age to operate a skateboard upon a street, roadway, bikeway, or any other public property unless the person is wearing a properly fitted and fastened helmet that is designed to fit the user, protect against head trauma, and has been tested by a nationally recognized agency including the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, the National Safety Council, or the Children's Safety Network. Prohibits this provision to be construed to legalize the use of skateboards in violation of any county ordinance. Defines skateboard to mean a short board that is on wheels that a person stands on to move along a surface or to perform tricks. -- SB0344 SD1

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0345 SD1 (SSCR 72)

RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCING.

Introduced by: Rhoads K, Chang S, Fukunaga C, Kidani M

Amends provisions relating to voluntary expenditure limits; filing affidavit by increasing the cap on the amount of expenditures a candidate participating in the hawaii partial public financing program can make by 20 percent. -- Amends provisions relating to maximum amount of public funds available to candidate by raising the cap on the maximum amount of matching funds available to candidates participating in the program to 67 percent of the expenditure limit for the office of governor, lieutenant governor, state senator, state representative, mayor, county council member, prosecuting attorney, or Hawaiian affairs. -- Amends provisions relating to minimum qualifying contribution amounts; qualifying contribution statement by raising increasing the matching fund ratio from 1 dollar for each 1 dollar of qualifying contributions raised by a candidate to 2 dollars for each 1 dollar of qualifying contributions raised in excess of the minimum qualifying contribution amounts that a candidate must raise to participate in the program. -- Appropriation to the campaign spending commission for the purposes of this Act. (\$\$) -- SB0345 SD1

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0350 SD1 (SSCR 499)

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION TO PROTECT THE RIGHT TO CONTRACEPTION.

Introduced by: Rhoads K, Chang S, Richards III H, San Buenaventura J

Proposes to amend the constitution. Amends provisions relating to contraception. Prohibits a law to be enacted, or any state action taken, that denies or interferes with a person's right to obtain contraceptives or voluntarily engage in contraception. -- SB0350 SD1

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0352 SD2 (FLOOR  
AMENDMENT 2)

RELATING TO PESTICIDES.

Introduced by: Rhoads K, Gabbard M

Amends provisions relating to public resorts; contents. Provides that the department shall produce a summary, for public disclosure, by county, that includes: the total quantities used, in a consistent unit of measurement, by federal and state registrations or permit numbers, commercial product names, and active ingredients, for each restricted use pesticide used. -- Amends provisions relating to buffer zones. Provides that beginning January 1, 2026, no person shall apply a restricted use pesticide on or within 1/2 mile of a school property during normal school hours or a state or county public park; provided that this provision shall not apply to whole structure fumigation; provided further that if

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this provision is determined to conflict with any pesticide application information listed on the pesticide label, the more restrictive provision shall apply. -- SB0352 SD2

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SB0353 SD2 (SSCR 734)

RELATING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.

Introduced by: Rhoads K, Elefante B, McKelvey A

Establishes provisions relating to suspension of certain record requests; prohibited under emergency management law. Requires the governor or mayor to not, through any proclamation or declaration of emergency or any rule or order adopted pursuant to this law, suspend agency response deadlines for requests for public records pursuant to uniform information practices act law; or vital records or statistics pursuant to provisions relating to disclosure of records under vital statistics law. Due to extenuating circumstances, allows there to be a reasonable delay in an agency's response to a request; provided that an agency shall not reject a request at any time, regardless of whether an emergency has been declared. -- Amends provisions relating to definitions under emergency management law. Defines severe warning. -- Amends provisions relating to state of emergency. Allows the legislature to, by an affirmative vote of 2/3rd of the members to which each house is entitled, terminate a state of emergency, in part or in whole, declared by the governor pursuant to this provision. Allows the county council to, by an affirmative vote of 2/3rd, terminate a state of emergency, in part or in whole, declared by the mayor pursuant to this provision. -- SB0353 SD2

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SB0356 SD1 (SSCR 715)

RELATING TO DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE.

Introduced by: Rhoads K, McKelvey A

Establishes provisions relating to victim restitution; financial support for minor children of victims of persons operating a vehicle under the influence under disposition of convicted defendants law. Provides that notwithstanding any law to the contrary, if a defendant is convicted of violating provisions relating to operating a vehicle under the influence of an intoxicant or provisions relating to negligent homicide in the 1st degree and the violation caused the disability or death of a parent or legal guardian of a minor child, the sentencing court shall order the defendant to make restitution in the form of financial support to each child of the victim. -- SB0356 SD1

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SB0361 SD2 (SSCR 918)

RELATING TO THE COMMUNITY OUTREACH COURT.

Introduced by: Moriwaki S, Chang S, Fevella K, Gabbard M, Hashimoto T

Establishes the community outreach court law. Establishes provisions relating to community outreach court; establishment. Requires the community outreach court to be established as a division of the district court of the 1st circuit. Requires the community outreach court to be held at any location designated by a judge of the community outreach court within the 1st judicial circuit. -- Repeals Act 55, Session Laws of Hawaii 2017, relating to community court outreach project. -- Appropriation to the judiciary to establish permanent positions in support of the community outreach court, including \_\_\_\_\_ dollars each for 2 full-time equivalent (2.0 FTE) court clerk positions; \_\_\_\_\_ dollars for 1 full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) court bailiff position; \_\_\_\_\_ dollars for 1 full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) adult client services branch judicial clerk V position; and \_\_\_\_\_ dollars each for 3 full-time equivalent (3.0 FTE) adult client services social worker positions. -- Appropriation to the judiciary for 2 full-time equivalent (2.0 FTE) deputy sheriff positions to support the community outreach court. -- Appropriation to the office of public defender for permanent positions in support of the community outreach court, including \_\_\_\_\_ dollars for 1 full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) deputy public defender; \_\_\_\_\_ dollars for 1 full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) paralegal; and \_\_\_\_\_ dollars for 1 full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) social service or mental health care professional assigned to the office of the public defender. -- Appropriation to the judiciary for the operations of the community outreach court, including \_\_\_\_\_ dollars for security through a contracted service provider; \_\_\_\_\_ dollars for facilities and associated costs, including for use of the Waianae Public Library; \_\_\_\_\_ dollars for equipment, including laptops and a mobile hotspot for internet access; \_\_\_\_\_ dollars for transportation costs, including a van and associated parking costs; and \_\_\_\_\_ dollars for other miscellaneous operational needs, including driver permit workbooks, printer cartridges, pencils, erasers, pens, markers, paper towels, and other office supplies. -- Appropriation to the office of the prosecuting attorney of the city and

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county of Honolulu as a grant-in-aid for permanent positions in the office of the prosecuting attorney of the city and county of Honolulu in support of the community outreach court, including \_\_\_\_ dollars for 1 full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) deputy prosecuting attorney; \_\_\_\_ dollars for 1 full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) paralegal; and \_\_\_\_ dollars for 1 full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) legal assistant. (\$\$) -- SB0361 SD2

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SB0371 SD2 (SSCR 908)

RELATING TO PROPERTY DAMAGE OF CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE FACILITIES.

Introduced by: Wakai G, Aquino H, Chang S, DeCoite L, Gabbard M, Hashimoto T, Inouye L, Kanuha D, Kidani M, Moriwaki S

Establishes provisions relating to criminal property damage of a critical infrastructure facility in the 1st degree. Establishes that a person commits the offense of criminal property damage of a critical infrastructure facility in the 1st degree if the person intentionally or knowingly damages any critical infrastructure facility without the owner or operator's consent and: recklessly or negligently causes damage in an amount exceeding 20,000 dollars and recklessly or negligently causes substantial impairment of the critical infrastructure facility; or knowingly uses a firearm, drone, or explosive weapon in the commission of the offense and recklessly or negligently causes substantial impairment of the critical infrastructure facility. Establishes that criminal property damage of a critical infrastructure facility in the 1st degree is a class A felony. -- Establishes provisions relating to criminal property damage of a critical infrastructure facility in the 2nd degree. Establishes that a person commits the offense of criminal property damage of a critical infrastructure facility in the 2nd degree if the person intentionally or knowingly damages any critical infrastructure facility without the owner or operator's consent, and recklessly or negligently causes substantial impairment to the critical infrastructure facility. Establishes that a criminal property damage of a critical infrastructure facility in the 2nd degree is a class B felony. -- Establishes provisions relating to definitions of terms in this law. Defines critical infrastructure facility to have the same meaning as critical infrastructure defined under computer crime law; provided that for money laundering law critical infrastructure facility shall include broadband and cable television networks. Defines drone to mean an unmanned aircraft, watercraft, or ground vehicle or a robotic device that is controlled remotely by a human operator or operates autonomously through computer software or other programming. Defines explosive weapon to mean any explosive or incendiary device that is designed, made, or adapted for the purpose of inflicting serious bodily injury, death, or substantial property damage, or for the principal purpose of causing such a loud report as to cause undue public alarm or terror. Defines explosive weapon to include: an explosive or incendiary bomb, grenade, rocket, and mine; a device designed, made, or adapted for delivering or shooting an explosive weapon; and a device designed, made, or adapted to start a fire in a time-delayed manner. Defines firearm to have the same meaning as defined in provisions under firearms, ammunition and dangerous weapons law. Defines substantial impairment to mean impairment of a critical infrastructure facility that: lasts for 2 hours or more; or affects 1,000 or more retail customers of the affected critical infrastructure facility. -- SB0371 SD2

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SB0378

RELATING TO THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.

Introduced by: McKelvey A, Chang S, Fevella K, Gabbard M, Kidani M

Establishes within the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation for administrative purposes a working group to identify existing mixed-use developments in the county of Maui that could be acquired by the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation for use as affordable housing and commercial rental leases. Requires the working group to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026 (report to the legislature). Requires the working group to be dissolved upon adjournment sine die of the regular session of 2026 (sunset). -- SB0378

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SB0382

RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.

Introduced by: McKelvey A, Aquino H, Chang S, DeCorte S, Fevella K, Kim D

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Amends provisions relating to competitive sealed proposals. Requires the procurement officer to provide the non-selected offeror a prompt debriefing, but shall not disclose any competing offeror's proposal or evaluation score, except the summary of scores, until after any protest is resolved and the contract is executed. -- SB0382

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0383 SD2 (SSCR 728)

RELATING TO SMALL PURCHASES.

Introduced by: McKelvey A, Aquino H, Chang S, Fevella K

Amends provisions relating to small purchases; prohibition against parceling. Requires that procurements of 50,000 dollars to less than 250,000 dollars to be made in accordance with small purchase procedures; provided that these small purchase procurements shall be conducted through an electronic system. Requires, no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026, the state procurement office to submit to the legislature a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, on the efficacy of the amendment to provisions relating to small purchases; prohibition against parceling, made by this Act. (report to the legislature). -- SB0383 SD2

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SB0385 SD1 (SSCR 798)

RELATING TO CONDOMINIUMS.

Introduced by: McKelvey A, Chang S, DeCorte S, Fevella K, Fukunaga C, Gabbard M, Hashimoto T, Kidani M, Kim D, Moriwaki S, San Buenaventura J

Establishes provisions relating to governing documents; copies; print or electronic form. Requires, notwithstanding any other provision to the contrary in the association's declaration, bylaws, or house rules, an association to provide a copy of its governing documents, as amended, to an owner or the owner's authorized agent, upon request, in print or electronic form, at no cost to the owner or the owner's authorized agent. -- SB0385 SD1

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SB0391 SD1 (SSCR 651)

RELATING TO RECYCLING.

Introduced by: Elefante B, Chang S, Fevella K, Fukunaga C, Gabbard M, Rhoads K, Richards III H

Establishes an end-of-life lithium-ion battery management working group within the hawaii state energy office to examine how to maximize the management of end-of-life lithium-ion batteries in the state. Establishes criteria for the working group. Requires the working group to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026. (Report to the legislature). Requires the working group to be dissolved on June 30, 2026 (sunset). -- Requires the Act to take effect on January 1, 2026. -- SB0391 SD1

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SB0401 SD2 (SSCR 1058)

RELATING TO FIREARMS.

Introduced by: Rhoads K, Chang S

Amends provisions relating to ownership, etc., of automatic firearms, silencers, etc., prohibited; penalties. Establishes that the manufacture, possession, sale, barter, trade, gift, transfer, or acquisition of any of the following is prohibited: assault pistols, except as provided by provision relating to transfer, possession of firearms; automatic firearms; rifles with barrel lengths less than 16 inches; shotguns with barrel lengths less than 18 inches; any firearm that is not a shotgun with the capacity to fire ammunition of 50 caliber or higher; cannons; mufflers, silencers, or devices for deadening or muffling the sound of discharged firearms; hand grenades, dynamite, blasting caps, bombs, or bombshells, or other explosives; or any type of ammunition or any projectile component thereof coated with teflon or any other similar coating designed primarily to enhance its capability to penetrate metal or pierce protective armor; and any type of ammunition or any projectile component thereof designed or intended to explode or segment upon impact with its target. Defines firearm or rifle with the capacity to fire ammunition of 50 caliber of higher to not include antique pistols, antique revolvers, or muzzleloaders. Defines muzzleloaders to mean any rifle, pistol, or shotgun that loads from the muzzle, or the open end of a weapon, from which the ammunition is discharged. -- SB0401 SD2

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SB0405 SD1 (SSCR 315)

### RELATING TO NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD MEETINGS.

Introduced by: Rhoads K

Amends provisions relating to neighborhood board; notice and agenda; public input; quorum. Allows an opportunity for the board to receive public input and 3rd-party reports from any government official on issues not specifically noticed for consideration at the forthcoming meeting. Any matter raised as part of the public input agenda or 3rd-party reports from any government official allowed under this provision may be discussed and information on the matter may be received by the board at the meeting; provided that the board shall not make a decision relating to any of those matters. Allows the board to make decisions on matters originally raised as part of a public input agenda item or raised by a 3rd-party report from any government official only at a later meeting, where the agenda for the meeting shall give notice of decision-making on the matter. -- SB0405 SD1

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SB0411 SD2 (SSCR 757)

### RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AT STATE SMALL BOAT HARBORS AND STATE PARKS.

Introduced by: McKelvey A, Chang S, DeCorte S, Fevella K

Amends provisions relating to capital improvements; authorizations for; emergency repairs or reconstruction, exception by changing its title to capital improvements; authorizations for; emergency repairs or reconstruction, exception; small state boat harbors and state parks; report. Prohibits capital improvement projects for state small boat harbors and state parks for the repair, renovation, or replacement of existing facilities, including dredging, to require authorization from the legislature or governor; provided that an expenditure made under this provision shall: be strictly limited to major repairs, renovations, or replacements; and not be used for the construction of new facilities or appurtenances. Requires a department managing an expenditure made under this provision to issue a written notice to the legislature no later than 14 business days before authorizing the expenditure (report to legislature). Requires the department of land and natural resources to submit a quarterly report that includes an account of the total quarterly expenditures incurred for any expenditure made under this provision; types of repairs, renovations, or replacements completed; justification for each expenditure; status of ongoing or planned projects; and detailed accounting of all capital improvement projects to the legislature. Requires each report to be due no later than the \_\_\_\_ day of the next quarter (report to the legislature). -- SB0411 SD2

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SB0414 SD2 (SSCR 1005)

### RELATING TO RESTORING ACCESS TO DISASTER-AFFECTED AREAS.

Introduced by: McKelvey A, Chang S

Provides that to develop permanent housing on the Kilohana and Kalaiola sites, the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation shall institute proceedings for the condemnation of the necessary portions of the Keawe Street Investment, LLC, and West Maui Venture Group parcels, pursuant to eminent domain law, to build a new access road from Keawe street to the Kilohana and Kalaiola sites, complying with the requirements necessary to dedicate the road to the county of Maui. -- Appropriation to the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation for appraisals and other preparations to institute the condemnation proceedings pursuant to provision 2 of this act.(\$\$) -- SB0414 SD2

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0419 SD1 (SSCR 806)

### RELATING TO INSURANCE.

Introduced by: McKelvey A, Chang S, Fevella K, Gabbard M

Establishes provisions relating to child passenger restraint system; replacement under insurance code law. Requires each motor vehicle insurance policy to provide liability coverage for replacement of a child passenger restraint system that was damaged or in use by a child during a motor vehicle accident for which liability coverage under the policy is applicable. -- SB0419 SD1

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SB0422

### RELATING TO EDUCATION.

Introduced by: Kidani M, Aquino H, Chang S, Fevella K, Gabbard M, Hashimoto T, Inouye L, Kanuha D, Kim D, McKelvey A, Richards III H, San Buenaventura J  
Establishes provision relating to high school diploma for armed services veterans and other qualified persons. Authorizes the department to establish a program to award a high school diploma to any qualified person who: did not receive a high school diploma as a result of compulsory or voluntary induction into active service in the armed services of the United States during World War II, the Korean War, or the Vietnam War; or did not receive a high school diploma and whose high school education was interrupted due to wartime practices during World War II, the Korean War, or the Vietnam War. Requires that a qualified person seeking a high school diploma to submit information establishing eligibility for the award of a high school diploma pursuant to this provision to the department on forms prescribed by the department. Defines qualified person to mean any individual who: was a resident of the State or the Territory of Hawaii and was compulsorily or voluntarily inducted into the armed services of the United States or whose high school education was interrupted between: December 1, 1941, and August 30, 1945; June 1, 1950, and July 31, 1953; or August 1, 1964, and January 31, 1973; while enrolled in a high school in the State or the Territory of Hawaii; and did not complete a high school curriculum and receive a high school diploma. -- SB0422

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0423 SD1 (SSCR 701)

### RELATING TO THE EARLY LEARNING BOARD.

Introduced by: Kidani M, Aquino H, Chang S, DeCoite L, Fevella K, Hashimoto T, Inouye L, Kanuha D, Kim D, McKelvey A, Richards III H  
Amends provisions relating to early learning board. Requires the superintendent of education, director of human services, director of health, president of the University of Hawaii, and director of the Hawaii head start state collaboration office to serve as ex officio, nonvoting members of the board. Requires the board to invite the chief executive officer of Kamehameha Schools, the executive director of the Hawaii Association of Independent Schools, and president of the Head Start Association of Hawaii, or their designees, to serve as ex officio, non-voting members of the board. Requires the board to invite a representative of local providers of early childhood education and development services to serve as an ex officio, non-voting member if no voting member fulfills this role. -- SB0423 SD1

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SB0428

### RELATING TO WITNESS FEES.

Introduced by: Rhoads K  
Amends provisions relating to witnesses' fees, mileage; taxation; and provisions relating to fees; criminal cases. Establishes an increase in fees paid to witnesses for any civil cause and criminal trials. Establishes an increase to fees paid for travel expenses to a mile to the mileage allowance prescribed by the administrator of general services. Establishes reimbursement to witnesses in civil trials for the use of common carriers. -- SB0428

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0430 SD1 (SSCR 677)

### RELATING TO TAXATION.

Introduced by: Rhoads K  
Amends provisions relating to adjustments and refunds. Provides that this provision shall apply to a refund for an overpayment of a tax; provided that interest on the overpayment shall be paid at the rate set by title 26 United States Code section 6621(a)(1) applicable to the 1st day of January for each year of the refund amount compounded daily after the 90 day period, until the refund and any applicable interest is paid to the taxpayer; if any overpayment of taxes results or arises from; the taxpayer filing an amended return; or a determination made by the director; and the overpayment is not shown on the original return as filed by the taxpayer, the amount overpaid shall be refunded to the taxpayer within 90 days from the due date of the original return or the date the overpayment is discovered under this provision, whichever occurred later; provided that interest shall be paid to the taxpayer if the amount overpaid is not refunded within 90 days and at the rate set by title 26 United States Code section 6621(a)(1) applicable to the 1st day of January for each year of the refund amount compounded daily after the 90 day period, until the refund and any applicable interest is paid to the taxpayer. -- SB0430 SD1



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SB0436 SD1 (SSCR 351)

### RELATING TO THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D, Aquino H, Elefante B, Kidani M, Kim D

Amends provisions relating to the office of the state fire marshal. Prohibits person to serve as state fire marshal for more than 3 terms. -- SB0436 SD1

Current Status: Mar-04 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0438 SD2 (SSCR 919)

### RELATING TO WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITIES.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D, Kidani M, Moriwaki S

Amends provisions relating to districting and classification of lands. Prohibits with respect to land that is within the agricultural district and has soil classified by the land study bureau's detailed land classification as overall (master) productivity rating class A or B, agricultural districts to include waste or disposal facilities as defined in provisions relating to zoning; amendments. -- Amends provisions relating to permissible uses within the agricultural districts. Establishes that waste or disposal facilities as defined in provisions relating to zoning; amendments are not permitted uses of land that is within the agricultural district and has soil classified by the land study bureau's detailed land classification as overall (master) productivity rating class A or B. -- Amends provisions relating to prohibitions; buffer zones. Prohibits a person, including the state or county, to construct, modify, or expand a waste or disposal facility, including a municipal solid waste landfill unit; any component of a municipal solid waste landfill unit; a construction or demolition unit; or any component of a construction and demolition landfill unit; for solid waste or hazardous waste on land that is near or above a significant aquifer, as determined by the department, in consultation with the commission on water resource management. Defines hazardous waste to have the same meaning as defined in provision under hazardous waste law. Defines significant aquifer to mean a freshwater aquifer with the potential for use as a drinking water source. Requires no person to utilize fly ash, bottom ash, or a combination of fly ash and bottom ash from a municipal waste combustor, including any ash residue that remains after removal of metals for recycling into new metal products, for the purposes of road building, construction, or as alternative daily cover material on a landfill. Requires fly ash, bottom ash, or a combination of fly ash and bottom ash from a municipal waste combustor to be disposed of in a double-lined and duly licensed municipal solid waste or hazardous waste landfill. Provides that beginning July 1, 2025, no person, including the state or any county, shall construct, modify, or expand a landfill unit or component of a landfill unit without 1st establishing a buffer zone of no less than 1/2 mile around the landfill unit. Prohibits this provision to apply to the continued operation of an existing landfill unit that is properly permitted; provided that continued operation does not require physical expansion, vertical or horizontal, of the landfill unit or component of the landfill unit requiring additional permitting review and a permit modification. Defines landfill unit to mean a municipal solid waste landfill unit or a construction and demolition landfill unit. -- SB0438 SD2

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SB0439 SD1 (SSCR 717)

### RELATING TO FEES.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D, Aquino H, Chang S, Elefante B, Hashimoto T, Kidani M, Moriwaki S

Establishes provisions relating to user fees; state parks; trails; nonresidents. Requires the board to adopt rules pursuant to Administrative Procedure law to impose user fees that solely apply to nonresidents visiting state parks and trails; provided that: the board shall conduct studies to determine those state parks and trails to which the user fees should be applied; the board may designate the state parks and trails to which the user fees shall apply; any user fee established pursuant to this provision shall be adjusted over time for inflation, based on the Consumer Price Index in the Honolulu area as reported by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics; the board may reduce, increase, or repeal any user fee by adopting, amending, or repealing rules pursuant to Administrative Procedure; the proceeds of any user fees collected pursuant to this provision shall be deposited into the state parks special fund established pursuant to state parks special fund; and this provision shall not be construed to impose a minimum amount for any user fee or establish a minimum number of state parks or trails to which user fees shall apply. Defines board to mean the board of land and natural resources. -- SB0439 SD1

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SB0440 SD2 (SSCR 685)

### RELATING TO EDUCATION.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D, Chang S, Elefante B, Hashimoto T, Inouye L, Kanuha D, Kidani M, Kim D, Lee C, Moriwaki S, San Buenaventura J

Establishes provisions relating to Future career and technical education teacher scholarship program; established. Establishes the future career and technical education teacher scholarship program to be administered by the department to facilitate the recruitment and retention of career and technical education teachers. Provides that an individual shall be eligible for scholarship consideration if the individual: is enrolled at a university of Hawaii campus and qualifies for Hawaii resident tuition under residence for the tuition purposes provision; basic rule; and is enrolled in a state approved teacher education program at the university of Hawaii. -- Appropriation to the department of education for the future career and technical education teacher scholarship program. (\$\$)

-- SB0440 SD2

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SB0441 SD1 (SSCR 834)

### RELATING TO THE HAWAII SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D, Chang S, Hashimoto T, Kidani M, Kim D

Establishes provisions relating to Hawaii Symphony Orchestra; designation; funding. Requires the Hawaii Symphony Orchestra to be designated the State of Hawaii Symphony Orchestra. Prohibits the qualifying standards and conditions related to the receipt of funds contained in Grants to apply to funds received by the State of Hawaii Symphony Orchestra; provided that if the State of Hawaii Symphony Orchestra, in turn, contracts with a recipient or provider, then the qualifying standards, conditions, and other provisions of Grants shall apply to the recipient or provider and the contract. Prohibits the designation of the Hawaii Symphony Orchestra as the State of Hawaii Symphony Orchestra to impinge on the autonomy of the Hawaii Symphony Orchestra, nor imply state control over its programs or policies, except as specifically provided in this provision. Requires the comptroller and the legislative auditor to have the authority to examine the use of state funds and shall report any findings to the legislature (report to the legislature). Requires the president and chief executive officer of the Hawaii Symphony Orchestra to provide an annual report to the legislature no later than 20 days before the legislature convenes each regular session (report to the legislature). Requires, at a minimum, the annual report to include an explanation of the operations, maintenance, and other functions accomplished by state fund expenditures in the previous fiscal year. -- Appropriation to the state foundation on culture and the arts for the general operating costs of the State of Hawaii Symphony Orchestra (\$\$). -- SB0441 SD1

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SB0442 SD1 (SSCR 821)

### RELATING TO GOVERNMENT.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D, Aquino H, Chang S, Hashimoto T, Kidani M

Amends provisions relating to employment of retirants. Allows a retirant to be employed without reenrollment in the system and suffer no loss or interruption of benefits provided by the system or under hawaii employer-union health benefits trust fund law if the retirant is employed as an investigator identified by the department of the attorney general or the department of law enforcement as a labor shortage or difficult to fill position; or in a management position excluded from collective bargaining under collective bargaining in public employment law and identified by the applicable department as a labor shortage, difficult-to-fill position, or needed for succession planning under certain conditions. Requires the director of human resources of the appropriate state jurisdiction or the human resources management chief executive of each county to submit an annual report to the legislature detailing the employment of retirants pursuant to this provision, including the number and positions of retirants no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular legislative session. (Report to the legislature). -- SB0442 SD1

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0443 SD1 (SSCR 603)

### RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LANDS.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D, Aquino H, Hashimoto T, Inouye L, Kidani M, Kim D

Amends provisions relating to permissible uses within the agricultural districts. Provides

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that within the agricultural district, all lands with soil classified by the land study bureau's detailed land classification as overall (master) productivity rating class A or B and for solar energy facilities, class B or C, shall be restricted to the following permitted uses; solar energy facilities on lands with soil classified by the land study bureau's detailed land classification as overall (master) productivity rating B or C for which a special use permit is granted; provided that; the department of agriculture certifies that the lands are also used for a farming operation as defined in provisions relating to definitions under the Hawaii right to farm act. -- SB0443 SD1

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SB0446 SD2 (SSCR 836)

### RELATING TO WASTE MANAGEMENT.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D

Amends provisions relating to prohibitions; buffer zones. Prohibits a person, including any federal agency, the State, or any county, shall construct, operate, modify, expand, or close a landfill unit, or any component of a landfill unit, without 1st obtaining a permit from the director. Requires all permits for landfill units to be subject to any terms and conditions that the director determines are necessary to protect human health or the environment. Provides that beginning July 1, 2025, no person, including the State or any county, shall construct, modify, or expand a landfill unit or any component of a landfill unit mauka of the underground injection control line without 1st establishing a buffer zone of not less than 1/4 mile around the landfill unit. Prohibits this provision to apply to the continued operation of an existing landfill unit or any component of a landfill unit that is properly permitted; provided that continued operation does not require physical expansion, vertical to the above ground surface, or horizontal, of the landfill unit or component of the landfill unit, requiring additional permitting review and a permit modification. Prohibits a person to utilize fly ash, bottom ash, or a combination of fly and bottom ash from a municipal waste combustor, including any ash residue that remains after removal of metals for recycling into new metal products, for the purposes of road building, construction, or as alternative daily cover material on a landfill. Requires fly ash, bottom ash, or a combination of fly and bottom ash from a municipal waste combustor to be disposed of only in a double-lined and duly licensed municipal solid waste or hazardous waste landfill. -- SB0446 SD2

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SB0447

### RELATING TO A DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PILOT PROGRAM.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D

Establishes the hiring pilot program within the department of health. Allows the department of health to forward to the hiring program applications received without verifying minimum qualifications. Requires the department of human resources development to approve the temporary delegation of other unique position classifications and non-unique position classifications that are requested by the department of health for recruitment under the pilot program. Requires the department of health to have specific flexibilities regarding minimum qualifications for positions having a salary range at or below SR-10. Allows the department of health to directly hire into a civil service position an individual who meets minimum qualifications under certain conditions; and allows the director of health to make a temporary appointment outside the list at what would be the merited civil service pay scale without step limitation. Requires the hiring pilot program to be available for department of health recruitments that are initiated before July 1, 2028. Requires the department of health to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, regarding the pilot program established by this Act no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular sessions of 2026, 2027, 2028, and 2029. (Report to the legislature). -- SB0447

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SB0448 SD1 (SSCR 215)

### RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D

Appropriation to the agribusiness development corporation for the acquisition of a conservation easement in central Oahu. (\$\$) -- SB0448 SD1

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SB0465 SD1 (SSCR 758)

### RELATING TO THE KIKIAOLA SMALL BOAT HARBOR.

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Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Requires the department of land and natural resources to conduct a carry capacity study of Kikiaola small boat harbor in the county of Kauai. Requires the department of land and natural resources to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026. -- Appropriation to the department of land and natural resources to conduct a carrying capacity study of Kikiaola small boat harbor in the county of Kauai. (Report to the Legislature) (\$\$) -- SB0465 SD1

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SB0479 SD1 (SSCR 566)

RELATING TO THE HAWAII ABLE SAVINGS PROGRAM.

Introduced by: San Buenaventura J

Amends provisions relating to Hawaii ABLE savings program trust fund. Establishes the hawaii ABLE savings program trust fund within the state treasury. Amends requirements for deposits into the hawaii ABLE savings program trust fund. Repeals provisions allowing the director of finance discretion to use moneys in the hawaii ABLE savings program trust fund if the director elects to accept deposits from contributors instead of sending deposits directly to the ABLE Program Manager. Requires the director to use all moneys in the fund to fulfil the purposes of this law, including to provide incentive payments to ABLE account owners as a means of encouraging the participation of eligible individuals and families to save funds; provided that the director shall maintain and keep separate records to account for any incentive program payments. -- Appropriation into and out of the hawaii ABLE saving program trust fund to the department of budget and finance to provide incentive payments to ABLE account owners. -- Appropriation into and out of the hawaii ABLE saving program trust fund to the department of health to establish 1 full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) permanent position within the state council on developmental disabilities to provide statewide outreach, advocacy, and relationship management for the Hawaii ABLE savings program. (\$\$) -- SB0479 SD1

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SB0494 SD2 (SSCR 920)

RELATING TO CHARTER SCHOOLS.

Introduced by: Richards III H, Fevella K, Hashimoto T, Kanuha D, Kim D

Requires the auditor to conduct a financial audit of each charter school under the state public charter commission. Requires the auditor to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026 (report to the legislature). -- Provides that no later than 1 year after the auditor's submission of the report to the legislature under this provision, the state public charter school commission shall take action based on the recommendations made by the auditor. -- Appropriation to the auditor for the auditor to complete the financial audit pursuant to this Act (\$\$). -- SB0494 SD2

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SB0529 SD1 (SSCR 94)

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

Introduced by: Kidani M, Aquino H, Chang S, Gabbard M, Kanuha D, McKelvey A, San Buenaventura J

Appropriation to the department of education for the expansion and continuation of the Hoakea program. (\$\$) -- SB0529 SD1

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SB0532 SD2 (SSCR 744)

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

Introduced by: Kidani M, Chang S, Hashimoto T

Amends provisions relating to administration of medication under education law. Allows public school employees and agents trained by a health care professional employed or contracted by the department of education to assist in administering oral, nasal, and topical medication, and other premeasured medication to students under certain conditions. Establishes criteria for who may prescribe medication to be administered to students in department of education schools. -- SB0532 SD2

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SB0533 SD2 (SSCR 688)

### RELATING TO EDUCATION.

Introduced by: Kidani M, Chang S, Hashimoto T, McKelvey A, Rhoads K  
Requires a local investor owned electric utility that implements a planned public safety power shutoff program to provide and fund support to public schools impacted by the utility's planned public safety power shutoff program. -- SB0533 SD2

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SB0544

### RELATING TO SENTENCING OF MINOR DEFENDANTS.

Introduced by: Gabbard M, Chang S, Kidani M, Rhoads K, San Buenaventura J  
Establishes provisions relating to discretion when sentencing a defendant for an offense committed while a minor. Provides that if a person is convicted as an adult for an offense that the person committed when the person was a minor, in addition to any other factor that the court is required to consider before sentencing the person, the court shall consider the following factors: the person's exposure to adverse childhood experience or early childhood trauma, including involvement in the child welfare or foster care systems; the person's status as a victim of human trafficking or abuse at the time of the offense; the differences between minor and adult offenders, including but not limited to the diminished culpability of minors as compared to that of adults and the typical characteristics of youth; the level of participation in the offense and the impact of peer or familial pressure; the person's intellectual capacity and any underlying mental health conditions; and any other factors the court deems relevant. Allows the court to, in its discretion, reduce any mandatory minimum period of incarceration or depart from any mandatory sentencing enhancement that the person is required to serve if the court determines that the reduction or departure is warranted given the person's age, trauma history, and prospects for rehabilitation. Defines minor to mean any person under the age of 18 years. -- SB0544

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SB0552 SD1 (SSCR 17)

### RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

Introduced by: Gabbard M, Aquino H, Chang S, Kanuha D, Kidani M, McKelvey A, San Buenaventura J

Establishes provisions relating to healthy soils program; established. Requires the department of agriculture to establish a healthy soils program. Allows the department of agriculture to consult with or contract a 3rd party for any needed expertise to perform its duties pursuant to this provision. Requires the healthy soils program to: create a statewide soil health assessment with a list of practices specific to the State that are most effective in improving soil health and building soil carbon stocks; provide farmers with education and technical assistance to implement farm management practices that contribute to healthy soils; establish standards that apply to the healthy soils program and are based on the findings of the greenhouse gas sequestration task force established pursuant to greenhouse gas sequestration task force relating to minimum levels of soil carbon and water content and required soil health practices; and subject to available funding, issue awards and other financial incentives to implement farm management practices that contribute to healthy soils. -- Requires the long-term goals of the healthy soils program to be to establish: deadlines by which all awards issued by the department of agriculture shall meet the standards established pursuant to this provision; deadlines by which a plan for all state lands leased for agricultural use shall be required; and programs incentivizing small farmers, ranchers, and landowners to take carbon negative actions on their respective lands. Requires the department of agriculture to submit a report detailing the status and progress of the healthy soils program and its recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session (report to the legislature). -- Appropriation to the department of agriculture for the establishment of the healthy soils program and to issue awards and other financial incentives pursuant to the program (\$\$).

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SB0558 SD2 (SSCR 759)

### RELATING TO VALUE-ADDED PRODUCTS.

Introduced by: DeCoite L, Chang S, Fevella K, Gabbard M, Hashimoto T, Inouye L, Kanuha D, McKelvey A, Moriwaki S

Establishes provisions relating to food and product innovation network; established. Establishes within the corporation the food and product innovation network. Requires the

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food and product innovation network to: allow businesses in the state to capitalize globally on the made in Hawaii, produced in Hawaii, or processed in Hawaii brand, pursuant to provision relating to Hawaii-made products; Hawaii-processed products; create world-class products; and scale up production by providing businesses with access to a diverse suite of manufacturing equipment and industry expertise. Requires no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session, the food and product innovation network shall submit a report to the legislature. -- Establishes provisions relating to definitions. Defines partner member to mean an open-access food and value-added product development facility that is part of the food and product innovation network but is not managed or operated by the corporation. Defines primary member to mean an open-access food and value-added product development facility that is part of the food and product innovation network and is managed and operated by the corporation. -- Amends provisions relating to powers; generally. Requires the corporation to: develop, promote, assist, and market agricultural products for local consumption, and shall promote and assist in commercial export of agricultural products; and oversee the food and product innovation network established pursuant to provision relating to agribusiness development corporation; provided that the responsibilities and operations of each partner member shall remain with the partner member. -- Appropriation to the agribusiness development corporation for the food and product innovation network established pursuant to this act, including: \_\_\_\_\_ dollars for a food and product innovation facility in the county of Maui; provided that the facility shall utilize axis deer for producing food and value-added products, including leather and pharmaceuticals; \_\_\_\_\_ dollars for a food and product innovation facility on the island of Oahu; \_\_\_\_\_ dollars for an open-access food and value-added product development facility in Hilo on the island of Hawaii; and \_\_\_\_\_ dollars for an open-access food and value-added product development facility in Kailua-Kona on the island of Hawaii. (Report to Legislature) (\$\$) -- SB0558 SD2

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SB0562 SD2 (SSCR 892)

RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES.

Introduced by: Keohokalole J, Aquino H, Chang S, Fevella K, Fukunaga C, Gabbard M, Kanuha D, McKelvey A, Rhoads K

Establishes provisions relating to plant nursery registration program. Establishes provisions relating to nursery registration. Requires any person directly engaged with the production or sale of nursery stock, including any person that sells or produces for sale, nursery stock at pop-up sales, craft fairs, or fundraising events, or as part of a commercial landscaping business, to register with the department using an online registration form developed by the department, which shall also be made available in paper form, before initiating business operations; provided that any person directly engaged in the production or sale of nursery stock before or on the effective date of this Act shall register with the department no later than 1 year from the effective date of this Act. -- Establishes provisions relating to certification; nursery registration fee; inspection; quarantine; remedial measures; economic loss or damage; rules; nursery registration required. -- Amends provisions relating to penalty; general actions to achieve objectives. Provides that the plant nursery registration program established under this provision; shall be considered to be a part of the biosecurity program; and may be administered by and enforced using the officials and funds available to the biosecurity program. -- SB0562 SD2

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SB0572 SD1 (SSCR 760)

RELATING TO HOUSING.

Introduced by: Hashimoto T, Chang S, Fevella K

Amends provisions relating to affordable homeownership revolving fund. Requires loans to be awarded in order of priority, including loan funds administered by certified nonprofit community development financial institutions to finance the development, pre-development, construction, acquisition, preservation, and substantial rehabilitation of affordable for-sale housing for persons and families having incomes set forth in this provision. Allows uses of moneys in the fund to include but are not limited to planning, design, and land acquisition, including the costs of options, agreements of sale, and down payments; financing as matching funds for nonprofit community development financial institutions to mobilize philanthropic, private, or other public funding sources; or other housing development services or activities as provided in rules adopted by the corporation pursuant to Administrative Procedure law. -- SB0572 SD1

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SB0576 SD1 (SSCR 729)

### RELATING TO FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION.

Introduced by: Hashimoto T, Aquino H, Chang S, Fevella K, Moriwaki S

Establishes provisions relating to expenditures of the public housing special fund exempt from appropriation and allotment. Provides that expenditures from the public housing special fund administered by the authority under provisions relating to public housing special fund may be made by the authority without appropriation or allotment by the legislature; provided that no expenditure shall be made from and no obligation shall be incurred against the public housing special fund in excess of the amount standing to the credit of the fund or for any purpose for which the fund may not lawfully be expended. Nothing in provisions relating to 37-31 to 37-41 shall require the proceeds of the public housing special fund identified in provisions relating to public housing special fund to be reappropriated annually. -- Amends provisions relating to duty to make reports under the hawaii housing finance and development corporation law; hawaii public housing authority law. Adds an agent. Amends annual report to the legislature. --Amends provisions relating to public housing special fund. Provides that the proceeds in the fund shall be used for long-term and other special financings of the authority, the development and redevelopment of authority projects, and for necessary expenses in administering this chapter. Provides that all moneys received and collected by the authority, including moneys received and collected by an agent authorized pursuant to provisions relating to agents, including corporations and moneys received and collected pursuant to a partnership or development agreement authorized pursuant to provisions relating to development of property; partnership or development agreement, and all moneys not otherwise pledged, obligated, or required by law to be placed in any other special fund, shall be deposited into the public housing special fund. -- SB0576 SD1

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SB0583 SD2 (SSCR 837)

### RELATING TO NAMING RIGHTS.

Introduced by: Wakai G, Chang S, Fevella K, Hashimoto T

Establishes provisions relating to naming rights of state-owned facilities; marketing; advertising. Allows the naming rights for any state-owned facility to be leased to any public or private entity. Requires any revenues derived from advertising or marketing in or on any state-owned facility, including revenues derived under this provision, to be deposited into the appropriate special fund of the state agency that owns the facility or into the general fund if no appropriate special fund exists. -- SB0583 SD2

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SB0588 SD2 (SSCR 846)

### RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY.

Introduced by: Wakai G, Chang S, Fevella K, McKelvey A

Establishes provisions relating to self-certification; solar projects; energy storage projects. Provides that by \_\_\_\_, each government entity in the State that issues building permits shall establish an efficient and standardized self-certification process for behind-the-meter, customer-sited solar distributed energy resource systems that deems permit applications approved and allows applicants to proceed to build the solar distributed energy resource system immediately. -- Establishes provisions relating to solar distributed energy resource systems; No-Rise/No-Impact declaration requirements. Requires any government entity in the State that issues building permits to exempt behind-the-meter, customer-sited solar distributed energy resource systems from the Federal Emergency Management Agency's No-Rise/No-Impact declaration requirements; provided that the project is not located within a regulatory floodway as identified on the Federal Emergency Management Agency's current Flood Insurance Rate Maps. -- SB0588 SD2

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SB0589 SD1 (SSCR 91)

### RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY.

Introduced by: Wakai G, Chang S, Fevella K, Gabbard M, McKelvey A, Moriwaki S, San Buenaventura J

Establishes provisions relating to tariffs; retail wheeling; requirements. Requires the public utilities commission to use tariffs for grid services programs, microgrids, community-based renewable energy, and retail wheeling with fair compensation. --

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Establishes provisions relating to fair compensation for solar and energy storage exports. Requires energy exported to the electric grid past a participating customer-generator's point of common coupling from photovoltaic solar systems paired with energy storage as part of a grid service program to be credited at a rate of electricity to be established by the public utilities commission for the relevant time period. -- Establishes provisions relating to microgrids; public utility; exception. Provides that a person that constructs, maintains, or operates a new microgrid shall not be considered a public utility solely as a result of furnishing service through that new microgrid to participating consumers. -- Establishes provisions relating to retail wheeling; renewable energy; rules. Allows owners of renewable energy generation and storage systems to engage in retail wheeling of renewable electricity. -- Amends provisions relating to definitions under public utilities commission law. Redefines public utility. -- SB0589 SD1

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SB0597

### RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE DRIVERS LICENSE REVOCATION.

Introduced by: Moriwaki S, Chang S

Amends provisions relating to administrative review; procedures; decision under use of intoxicants while operating a vehicle law. Requires the written review decision to be mailed to the respondent, or to the parent or guardian of the respondent if the respondent is under the age of 18, no later than 15 days after the date the notice was issued in a case involving an alcohol related offense; or 30 days after the date the notice was issued in a case involving a drug related offense. -- SB0597

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SB0601 SD1 (SSCR 1015)

### RELATED TO LAW ENFORCEMENT.

Introduced by: Wakai G, Aquino H, Chang S, Fevella K, Kidani M, Kim D, Rhoads K  
Establishes provisions relating to notice of warrantless search. Requires law enforcement to post notice that a warranted or warrantless search has been conducted on a property. -- Amends arrests, search warrants law by changing its title to arrests, searches, search warrants law. -- Amends provisions relating to power of officer serving by changing its title to power of officer serving; notice of search. Requires a law enforcement officer to secure any entrance used by an officer in a search. Allows the breaking of any doors, gates, other bars to the entrance, closets, and other closed places during a search when reasonable and other means of entering the space are not reasonable. Requires law enforcement agencies to develop a policy for securing the entrances to a house, store, or other building designated as a place to be searched after a search. -- SB0601 SD1

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SB0602

### RELATING TO THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY.

Introduced by: Wakai G, Aquino H, Chang S, Kidani M, Moriwaki S, Rhoads K

Amends provisions relating to closed to the public under hawaii public housing authority law. Requires any authority office or facility to be closed to the public during non-business hours. Establishes criteria for required signage. -- SB0602

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SB0614 SD1 (SSCR 669)

### RELATING TO HAWAIIAN INDEPENDENCE DAY.

Introduced by: Fevella K, Chang S, Fukunaga C

Amends provisions relating to holidays designated. Establishes November 28th of each year, la kuokoa, or hawaiian independence day as a state holiday. -- SB0614 SD1

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SB0637 SD1 (SSCR 225)

### RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.

Introduced by: San Buenaventura J

Appropriation to the university of Hawaii for Manoa (UOH 100) West Oahu nursing collaboration phase III and for the online registered nurse (RN) to bachelor of science (BS) program. -- Appropriation to the university of Hawaii for West Oahu (UOH 700) for the pre nursing pathway program. -- Appropriation to the university of Hawaii for Hilo (UOH 210) to increase its school of nursing cohort size. (\$\$) -- SB0637 SD1



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SB0639 SD1 (SSCR 401)

### RELATING TO UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS.

Introduced by: Keohokalole J, Aquino H, Chang S, Elefante B, Fevella K, Fukunaga C, McKelvey A, Moriwaki S, Wakai G

Amends provisions relating to response to suspected or confirmed releases. Requires the department, pursuant to administrative procedure law, to adopt requirements for investigating a suspected release and taking action in response to a confirmed release from an underground storage tank or tank system, which shall include at least the following: requirement that the owner and operator of the underground storage tank or tank system that had a release restore the environment to a condition and quality acceptable to the department, subject to this provision. Requires restoration of the environment to require the cleanup and total removal of all jet fuel, including jet fuel additives and all compounds resulting from the degradation of jet fuel or jet fuel additives, or the reaction of jet fuel or jet fuel additives with water or other chemicals, as soon as practicable, with the goal of complete removal. Provides that it shall be a rebuttable presumption that the detection of any amount of jet fuel, jet fuel additives, or compounds derived from jet fuel or jet fuel additives in the environment or groundwater in the vicinity of an underground storage tank or tank system, after a confirmed release from an underground storage tank or tank system, is the result of the confirmed release. -- SB0639 SD1

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SB0642 SD2 (SSCR 893)

### RELATING TO INSURANCE.

Introduced by: Keohokalole J, Chang S, Fevella K

Establishes provisions relating to standard fertility preservation services coverage under insurance code law; and benefit societies law; required provisions and benefits under health maintenance organization act law. Requires health insurance policies issued or renewed in the state after December 31, 2025, to provide optional coverage for standard fertility preservation services for any insured who may undergo medically necessary cancer-related treatments that may directly or indirectly cause iatrogenic infertility. -- SB0642 SD2

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SB0657 SD1 (SSCR 232)

### RELATING TO THE CENTER FOR CLIMATE RESILIENT DEVELOPMENT.

Introduced by: Gabbard M, Chang S, McKelvey A, Moriwaki S, Rhoads K

Appropriation to the university of Hawaii for the school of ocean and earth science and technology at Manoa to establish and operate the center for climate resilient development. (\$\$) -- SB0657 SD1

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SB0659 SD2 (SSCR 921)

### RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

Introduced by: Gabbard M, Chang S

Establishes provisions relating to procurement; locally sourced products; geographic preference; small purchases. Allows notwithstanding provisions relating application of this law and small purchases; prohibition against parceling, or any other law to the contrary, the department to procure fresh local agricultural products and local value-added processed, agricultural, or food products of less than 250,000 dollars without using an electronic system; provided that for these procurements: no less than 3 written quotes shall be obtained for procurements of 25,000 dollars to less than 250,000 dollars; provided further that the department may instead require no less than 2 written quotes for procurements of 25,000 dollars to less than 250,000 dollars for fresh local agricultural products and local value-added processed, agricultural, or food products to supply schools in rural communities, as determined by the department; if the department is unable to receive the required number of quotes under this provisions, written justification shall be provided and kept by the department in the procurement file; all awards exceeding 2,500 dollars shall be posted electronically on the Hawaii awards and notice data system (HANDS) or successor system, or a similar department of education procurement platform; offerors shall comply with provision relating to responsibility of offerors; and the state procurement officer may request data from the department to evaluate the efficacy of this provision. Requires the department to establish guidelines

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with a county-level geographic preference for locally sourced products when procuring products. Amends provisions relating to agricultural products subject to this law by changing the title by adding exemptions. Requires except as provided in this provision, the following agricultural products to be subject to this law: fresh meats and produce; and animals and plants. Requires procurements of the agricultural products listed in this provision by the department of education to be exempt from this law. Requires except for the exemptions under provision relating to competitive sealed bidding, no exemptions under this law to apply to this provision. -- SB0659 SD2

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SB0662 SD1 (SSCR 476)

### RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

Introduced by: Gabbard M, Chang S, Hashimoto T, McKelvey A

Requires the hawaii housing finance and development corporation to transfer the public roads within the villages of kapolei to the city and county of honolulu by January 1, 2026. -- Establishes provisions relating to county police officer authority under statewide traffic code law. Requires each police officer of a county to have the authority to enforce statewide traffic code on any federal, state, and county street, roadway, or highway in the state. -- SB0662 SD1

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SB0691 SD1 (SSCR 880)

### RELATING TO FAMILY COURTS.

Introduced by: Gabbard M, Chang S

Amends provisions relating to jurisdiction; children. Requires except as otherwise provided in this law, the court to have exclusive original jurisdiction in proceedings: concerning any person who is at least 12 years old and is alleged to have committed an act before achieving 18 years of age that would constitute a violation or attempted violation of any federal, state, or local law or county ordinance. -- Amends provisions relating to complaint; investigation; petition. Prohibits a petition alleging delinquency for a violation of law to be filed in a case involving a child under the age of 12. -- Amends provisions relating to physical or mental examination and treatment. Allows the court to order that a child or minor concerning whom a petition has been filed shall be examined by a physician, surgeon, psychiatrist, or psychologist, and it may order treatment, by them, of a child or minor who has been adjudicated by the court. Allows for either the examination or treatment, the court to place the child or minor in a hospital or other suitable facility. Allows the court, after hearing, to order examination by a physician, surgeon, psychiatrist, or psychologist, of a parent or guardian whose ability to care for a child before the court is at issue. -- SB0691 SD1

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SB0693 SD1 (SSCR 15)

### RELATING TO THE FOOD HUB PILOT PROGRAM.

Introduced by: Gabbard M, Chang S, Fukunaga C, Hashimoto T

Appropriation to the department of agriculture for the continued implementation of the food hub pilot program including the awarding of grant moneys to qualifying food hubs. (\$\$) -- SB0693 SD1

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SB0694

### RELATING TO THE DETENTION OF MINORS.

Introduced by: Gabbard M, Chang S

Amends provisions relating to detention; shelter; release; notice under family courts law. Prohibits minors from being held in jails, lockups, or prisons for adults. -- SB0694

Current Status: Feb-27 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0716 SD2 (SSCR 842)

### RELATING TO HAWAII EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW.

Introduced by: Aquino H, Chang S, Fevella K, Kidani M, McKelvey A, Moriwaki S, Rhoads K, San Buenaventura J

Amends provisions relating to definitions, generally under Hawaii employment security law. Repeals definition of registered for work or registration for work. -- Amends provisions relating to eligibility for benefits. Expands the circumstances where the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations may waive the requirements for individuals to register to work and report to an employment office to be eligible for unemployment

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benefits. Authorizes the Department to allow individuals to report to a location other than an employment office or other location approved pursuant to its rules. -- Amends provisions relating to notice of determinations. Provides that beginning April 1, 2027, requires notices of determinations and documentation relating to appeals to be sent electronically, unless the election for mail is made. -- Amends provisions relating to voluntary deduction and withholding of federal and state income taxes. Allows an individual to change an elected withholding status more than once during a benefit year. -- Repeals provisions relating to requirement to post work availability online. -- SB0716 SD2

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SB0717 SD1 (SSCR 55)

### RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING.

Introduced by: Aquino H, Chang S, Fevella K, Fukunaga C, Hashimoto T, Kidani M, Moriwaki S, Rhoads K, San Buenaventura J

Amends provisions relating to resolution of disputes; grievances. Requires a public employer to enter into written agreement with the exclusive representative setting forth a grievance procedure culminating in a final and binding decision, to be invoked in the event of any dispute concerning the interpretation or application of a written agreement. Requires the grievance procedure to be valid and enforceable and shall be consistent with the following: any employee who is a member of an appropriate bargaining unit shall be allowed to grieve a suspension or discharge. -- SB0717 SD1

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SB0721 SD1 (SSCR 693)

### RELATING TO THE ESTATE TAX.

Introduced by: Rhoads K

Amends provisions relating to nonresidents; tax imposed; exemption by changing its title to nonresidents; tax imposed; and nonresidents not citizens; tax imposed; exemption by changing its title to nonresidents not citizens; tax imposed. Repeals exemption for tax imposed on transfer of taxable estate located in Hawaii for nonresidents and nonresidents who are not citizens. -- Amends provisions relating to applicable exclusion amounts. Amends the exclusion amount of Hawaii's estate tax. -- SB0721 SD1

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SB0732 SD2 (SSCR 922)

### RELATING TO THE FILM INDUSTRY.

Introduced by: DeCoite L (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to motion picture, digital media, and film production income tax credit; waiver of permitting fees under income tax law. Requires each county to waive any applicable permitting fees for film activity conducted on county lands by a qualified production that qualifies for the tax credit under provisions relating to motion picture, digital media, and film production income tax credit. -- Amends provisions relating to motion picture, digital media, and film production income tax credit under income tax law. Provides that if the qualified production costs of a taxpayer exceed 1,000,000 dollars in a taxable year, the written, sworn statement shall be accompanied by an independent 3rd party certificate, issued by a qualified certified public accountant, that verifies all representations made for the purpose of claiming the credit under this provision. Requires the total amount of tax credits allowed under this provision in any particular year to be \_\_\_\_ dollars. Redefines qualified production to include a streaming platform. Defines streaming platform. -- Amends Act 143, Session Laws of Hawaii 2017, relating to film and digital media industry development. Repeals provisions that provides that no later than January 1, 2018, and each January 1 thereafter, each film production that has production expenditures of 1,000,000 dollars or more and is claiming a tax credit pursuant to section 235-17, Hawaii Revised Statutes, shall obtain an independent 3rd party certification of qualified production costs eligible for the motion picture, digital media, and film production income tax credit in the form of a tax opinion, as required under provisions relating to motion picture, digital media, and film production income tax credit submitted to the department of business, economic development, and tourism. -- SB0732 SD2

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SB0739 SD2 (SSCR 761)

### RELATING TO LAND EXCHANGE.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D, Aquino H, Hashimoto T, Kidani M, San Buenaventura J

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Allows in consultation with the board of land and natural resources, the governor to negotiate land exchanges in accordance with public lands, management and disposition law, for the purpose of acquiring private lands that are suitable for long-term diversified agricultural production by the state or its lessees, in exchange for state lands to be acquired by private parties for development of affordable, workforce, and other housing for Hawaii residents. Allows the governor to coordinate with the agribusiness development corporation, the department of land and natural resources, and any other department or agency of the state that holds title to or an assignment of state land that may be appropriate for exchange under this provision. Requires to facilitate successful negotiation of land exchanges, including the enhancement of optimal agricultural lands acquired by the state in exchange for urbanized lands and the expedient consummation of exchanges, the governor to be authorized to, pursuant to this provision, reclassify and rezone lands intended for exchange under this act and transfer such state lands, authorized by this provision, to private parties for development of housing and other mixed-uses within the state urban land use district with appropriate county residential or mixed-use zoning, subject to the following: the lands shall be within a 1/2 mile radius of any rail station approved by the Federal Transportation Administration within the city and county of Honolulu; and any development on the lands to be transferred to private parties shall comply with all state and county laws, rules, and regulations regarding health and safety and building permit requirements for housing or mixed-use developments on private lands, and shall not be subject to laws, rules, and regulations applicable to state lands. Provides that to promote exchanges that address the objectives of the State in acquiring more lands for diversified agriculture and encouraging private parties to develop more affordable, workforce, and other housing: appraisals shall be performed, in compliance with provision relating to exchanges, of state lands for purposes of exchange with the urban, residential, or mixed-use land; provided that appraisals shall reflect any land-use and zoning classifications adopted pursuant to this act; the development of housing on private lands as contemplated by this act shall be subject to historic preservation law and environmental impact statements law, as applicable to private housing on private lands; notwithstanding the prior state ownership of the land or the use of state or county housing assistance programs; the governor, as necessary to facilitate and effect the purposes of this Act, may submit notifications and supporting information to: the land use commission; and The planning director of the appropriate county for any necessary rezoning of land. Requires the governor to submit a report to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026. (Report to Legislature) -- SB0739 SD2

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SB0741

### RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D, Chang S, Elefante B, Hashimoto T, Kidani M  
Establishes provisions relating to external audit committee under University of Hawaii System law. Establishes within the university of Hawaii an external audit committee to audit the board of regents and the university of Hawaii system. Requires the external audit committee to be subject to Standards of Conduct law. Requires the external audit committee to be exempt from Administrative Procedure law and Public Agency Meetings and Records law to the extent that the audit committee is engaging in discussions that should remain confidential in accordance with nationally recognized best practices for external and independent audit committees, or in proceedings arising from an investigation by the external audit committee relating to potentially actionable civil or criminal conduct, regardless of whether the investigation is pending or outstanding. Requires the external audit committee to engage in oversight relating to enterprise risk management. Requires the external audit committee to hold meetings as needed to address matters on its agenda, not less frequently than 2 per year. Requires the external audit committee to review its effectiveness annually. Requires the committee to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the governor, chief justice, and legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session (report to the legislature). -- SB0741

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SB0742 SD2 (SSCR 762)

### RELATING TO DATA SHARING.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D  
Establishes the office of enterprise technology services a data sharing and governance working group. Requires the data sharing and governance working group to: review the

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adequacy of the departmental data sharing pursuant to provision relating to departmental data sharing, and the data task force pursuant to provision relating to chief data officer; electronic data set availability; updates, in addressing the state's capabilities with regard to data sharing; recommend an ongoing data-sharing governance structure; details a process for developing and prioritizing research questions transparently and inclusively; develops guidelines for stakeholders related to the use of artificial intelligence; and includes mechanisms to prioritize and address stakeholder feedback. Allows the office of enterprise technology services to contract with an administrative facilitator to provide necessary support for the data sharing and governance working group in carrying out its duties. Requires the members of the working group to serve without compensation, but shall be entitled to reimbursement for necessary expenses, including travel expenses. Requires the data sharing and governance working group to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session. -- Appropriation to the office of enterprise technology services for the data sharing and governance working group. (Report to Legislature) (\$\$) -- SB0742 SD2

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### SB0744 SD1 (SSCR 100)

#### RELATING TO CONDOMINIUMS.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D, Chang S, Hashimoto T, Kidani M

Establishes provisions relating to financing for condominiums. Establishes within the Hawaii green infrastructure authority the condominium loan program to provide qualified condominium associations with low-cost financing, or refinancing for loans previously obtained, for maintenance or repair projects in accordance with this provision. Establishes in the state treasury the condominium loan revolving fund, into which shall be deposited: moneys received as repayment of loans and interest payments as provided in this chapter; appropriations made by the legislature to the condominium loan revolving fund; and all interest and investment earnings credited to the assets of the fund. Requires moneys in the condominium loan revolving fund to be expended by the authority for the purposes of providing loans in accordance with this provision. Requires the authority to submit a report to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session that details the progress of the condominium loan program, aggregate data on the loans issued under the condominium loan program, and the balance of the condominium loan revolving fund, beginning with the regular session of 2027 (report to the legislature). -- Establishes within the authority the condominium loan loss reserves program to incentivize lenders to provide loans at competitive rates and terms to condominium associations for the purpose of allowing condominium associations to make necessary maintenance or repairs in accordance with this provision. Requires the authority to submit to the legislature an annual status report on the activities of the condominium loan loss reserves program (report to the legislature). -- Appropriation into and out of the condominium loan program special fund to the Hawaii green infrastructure authority to establish the condominium loan program (\$\$). -- SB0744 SD1

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### SB0746 SD2 (SSCR 838)

#### RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D, Chang S, Elefante B, Hashimoto T, Kidani M

Establishes a 2 year coconut rhinoceros beetle eradication pilot program within the department of land and natural resources to incentivize community members to collect and submit beetles and its larvae to the department. Requires the hawaii invasive species council to oversee the pilot program; ensure the participation of stakeholders, including community members; and compensate community members for the collection and submission of coconut rhinoceros beetles and its larvae. -- Requires the department of land and natural resources to submit a report to the legislature regarding the coconut rhinoceros beetle eradication pilot program, including its findings and recommendations, and any proposed legislation no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026. (Report to the legislature). -- Appropriation to the department of land and natural resources for the costs of operating the coconut rhinoceros beetle eradication pilot program, including compensation to community members; program administration; community engagement, workshops, and training events; digital and social media campaigns; media advertising; and educational materials and outreach. (\$\$) -- SB0746 SD2

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SB0747 SD1 (SSCR 99)

### RELATING TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D, Hashimoto T, Kidani M

Establishes provisions relating to audit office under the Education law. Establishes within the board an audit office, which shall operate independently to ensure accountability, transparency, and efficiency in the operations, expenditures, and programs of the department. Requires the audit office to have the authority to: conduct financial audits, including: examination of accounts and financial records of the department, including schools, programs, and administrative divisions; ensure proper use of public funds; and compliance with applicable laws and financial accountability; conduct performance audits, including the evaluation of the effectiveness, efficiency, and economy of operations, programs, and activities undertaken by the department in achieving its established goals and objectives; provide recommendations to improve the financial aid and operational efficiency of the department, including suggestions for best practices, corrective actions, and allocation of resources; examine and inspect all accounts, books, files, reports, and other documents of the department, including subsidiaries, agencies, commissions, or other affiliated programs, as necessary to conduct audits; examine and inspect facilities, operations, and resources under the jurisdiction of the department; administer oaths, take testimony, and compel the production of documents as part of audit investigations; and engage independent consultants or experts, as needed, to perform specialized evaluations in support of audit objectives. -- Requires the audit office to be headed by an auditor. Requires the auditor to oversee the appointment of staff, who shall have expertise in auditing, accounting, or other relevant fields. Requires staff members to be exempt from Civil Service law, and their salaries and costs shall be included in the budget of the board. Requires all audits conducted by the audit office to conform to government auditing standards as prescribed by the Comptroller General of the United States. Requires the audit office to operate in accordance with the principles of independence and transparency. Prohibits the audit office to be subject to the direction or control of any other agency or department in the execution of its duties. Requires the audit office to submit annual reports of its findings and recommendations relative to the expenditures made and financial transactions by the different school complex areas, including any proposed legislation, to the board, superintendent, and the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session; provided that the reports shall include audits and examinations conducted by the auditor for the immediately preceding school year and all other audits and examinations conducted by the auditor during the current school year (report to the legislature). Requires reports to be available for public inspection. Requires the audit office to send certified copies of audits and examinations made by the auditor to the governor and the director of finance. Copies of the reports may also be submitted to the legislature upon request of any member of the senate or house of representatives. -- Amends provisions relating to civil service and exemptions. Requires the civil service to which this law applies to comprise all positions in the State now existing or hereafter established and embrace all personal services performed for the State, except the following: positions in the audit office within the board of education. -- Appropriation to the department of education for the establishment and operation of the audit office established pursuant to this provision; and the establishment of 6 full-time equivalent (6.0 FTE) positions within the audit office (\$\$).

-- SB0747 SD1

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SB0752 SD1 (SSCR 799)

### RELATING TO INSURANCE.

Introduced by: McKelvey A, Aquino H, Chang S, Fevella K, Hashimoto T, Kidani M, Lee C, Rhoads K, Richards III H, San Buenaventura J

Amends provisions relating to notice of cancellation or nonrenewal under the Insurance Code law. Requires, in the case of cancellation of a policy, the insurer to give written notice to the insured not fewer than 30 days prior to the effective date of cancellation. Requires, for nonrenewal of a policy, the insurer to give written notice to the insured not fewer than 60 days prior to the effective date of nonrenewal. Requires, if under title 24 or a policy, a longer time period is required for a notice of cancellation or nonrenewal for the policy, the longer period to be applicable[.]; provided that the longer period shall be applicable only to the insurer. Prohibits cancellation or nonrenewal to be deemed valid unless evidence of certified, electronic, or e-certified mailing is provided. -- SB0752 SD1

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SB0763 SD2 (SSCR 883)

### RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT.

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Introduced by: Richards III H, Aquino H, Chang S, Fevella K, Gabbard M, Hashimoto T, Kanuha D, McKelvey A, San Buenaventura J

Establishes provisions relating to agricultural enforcement program. Establishes within the department an agricultural enforcement program. Requires the department to employ or appoint, and remove, the following persons, subject to Civil Service law and citizenship and residence; exceptions: an assistant chief, who shall be the administrator of the agricultural enforcement program and shall have charge, direction, and control, subject to the direction or control of the deputy director, of all matters relating to the enforcement of the offense of theft of an agricultural product or commodity as defined in theft; agricultural product; sentencing, and any other matters as determined by the deputy director. Requires the assistant chief to be an administrator experienced in addressing agricultural theft; and personnel, state law enforcement officers, and investigators, including but not limited to state law enforcement officers serving on a voluntary basis without pay. Requires, in addition to all police powers and duties, state law enforcement officers in the agricultural enforcement program to: focus on offenses under theft in the 1st degree, theft in the 2nd degree, theft in the 3rd degree, and theft in the 4th degree that involve the theft of an agricultural product or commodity; gather evidence, conduct investigations, and conduct field observations, as required or assigned; cooperate with any enforcement authorities of the federal, state, or county government in the development of programs and mutual aid agreements for agricultural activities within the State; and carry out other duties and responsibilities as determined by the deputy director. Requires the department to enter into memoranda of agreement with the division of conservation and resources enforcement of the department of land and natural resources and each county police department, as necessary, to effectuate the purposes of this provision. -- Establishes the agricultural enforcement special fund; established. Establishes in the state treasury the agricultural enforcement special fund to be administered by the department. Requires the following to be deposited into the agricultural enforcement special fund: grants, awards, donations, gifts, transfers, or moneys derived from public or private sources for the purposes of enforcing offenses that involve the theft of an agricultural product or commodity, or any other matters as determined by the deputy director; fees, reimbursements, administrative charges, and penalties collected for activities related to the enforcement of laws and rules applicable to protecting agricultural products or commodities, except as otherwise provided by any law that requires deposit of these moneys into other special funds administered by the department of agriculture; moneys derived from any interest, dividends, or other income from the sources in this provision; and appropriations by the legislature. Requires the agricultural enforcement special fund to be used for expenditures relating to the agricultural enforcement program established pursuant to agricultural enforcement program, including: training; research; equipment; preparation and dissemination of information to the public; data collection and development; information technology; safety; wireless communication; management; travel; equipment rental; repairs; planning; information; education; operations; maintenance functions authorized and deemed necessary by the board of agriculture; funding for consultants or contractual hires related to the enforcement of laws and rules applicable to the offense of theft of an agricultural product or commodity, or any other matters as determined by the board of agriculture; and work performed in cooperation with enforcement authorities of the federal, state, or county government. Requires the agricultural enforcement special fund to be held separate and apart from all other moneys, funds, and accounts in the department; provided that any moneys received from the federal government or from private contributions shall be deposited and accounted for in accordance with any conditions established by the department or entity from which the moneys are received. Requires any balance remaining in the agricultural enforcement special fund at the end of any fiscal year to be carried forward in the fund for the next fiscal year. Defines deputy director to mean the deputy director of law enforcement. -- Appropriation into and out of the agricultural enforcement special fund to the department of law enforcement for the establishment of the following positions within the agricultural enforcement program established pursuant to agricultural enforcement program: 1 full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) assistant chief position; 8 full-time equivalent (8.0 FTE) state law enforcement investigator positions; provided that the 4 counties shall be assigned 2 positions each; and 36 full-time equivalent (36.0 FTE) uniformed state law enforcement officer positions for patrol functions; provided that the counties of Hawaii, Kauai, and Maui shall be assigned 8 positions each, and 12 positions shall be assigned to the city and county of Honolulu; and other operating expenditures of the agricultural enforcement program established pursuant to the agricultural enforcement program (\$\$). -- SB0763 SD2

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- SB0771 RELATING TO THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.  
Introduced by: Chang S  
Amends provisions relating to board; establishment, functions, duties under the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation law. Requires the board of directors to select a chairperson and vice chairperson from among its members. -- SB0771  
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- SB0778 SD1 (SSCR 816) RELATING TO SENTENCING.  
Introduced by: Rhoads K, San Buenaventura J  
Establishes provisions relating to emerging adult defendants under disposition of convicted defendants law. Prohibits emerging adult defendants from being sentenced to life imprisonment without the possibility of parole. -- SB0778 SD1  
Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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- SB0780 RELATING TO ELECTIONS.  
Introduced by: Rhoads K, Chang S  
Establishes provisions relating to candidates on ballots; inclusion and exclusion; challenges. Requires each ballot issued by the chief election officer and each clerk to include the name of each qualified candidate and exclude the name of any disqualified candidate; provided that the chief election officer or clerk shall exclude any candidate who is disqualified by: section 3 of the 14th Amendment to the Constitution of the US; Article XVI, section 3, of the Hawaii state constitution; or another constitutional or statutory provision. Requires any challenge to the inclusion or exclusion of a candidate on a ballot by the chief election officer or clerk that is not filed pursuant to provisions relating to nomination papers; challenge; evidentiary hearings and decisions, to be in writing and no later than the 57th day before the general election, shall be filed with the supreme court. Requires the challenge to provide notice in a summary manner of the grounds that give rise to the complaint. Requires not later than the 54th day before the general election day, the supreme court to hold a hearing regarding the challenge. Requires the supreme court to assess the validity of the complaint and issue findings of fact and conclusion of law no later than the 53rd day before the general election. -- Amends provisions relating to contests for cause; generally. Allows anyone to file a complaint in the supreme court. Requires the complaint set forth any cause or causes including: provable fraud, overages, or underages, that could cause a difference in election results. -- Amends provisions relating to nomination of presidential electors and alternates; certification by parties; notification of nominees; pledge. -- Amends provisions relating to contested nominations of presidential electors and alternates. -- Amends provisions relating to time for election, number to be chosen. -- SB0780  
Current Status: Feb-27 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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- SB0789 SD2 (SSCR 763) RELATING TO SCHOOL CAFETERIA MEAL COSTS.  
Introduced by: Kidani M, Dela Cruz D, Fevella K, Fukunaga C, Gabbard M  
Amends provisions relating to school cafeterias; funds; expenditures. Requires the Department of Education to charge not less than 1/4 of the cost of preparing a school meal for each school meal. -- Requires this Act to be repealed on January 1, 2031 if the department of education fails to meet the local farm to school meal goal. -- SB0789 SD2  
Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
Mar-06 25 Multiple Referral to EDN then FIN
- SB0801 SD1 (SSCR 719) RELATING TO MANAGING AGENTS.  
Introduced by: Fukunaga C, Keohokalole J, Moriwaki S, Rhoads K  
Amends provisions relating to definitions under condominiums law. Defines community association manager to mean an individual who possesses a manager credential issued by a nationwide community association management industry trade group. -- Amends provisions relating to managing agents under condominiums law. Requires every managing agent to: for residential condominium properties with more than 100 units located in a county with a population greater than 500,000, be a community association manager. -- SB0801 SD1  
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SB0802 SD2 (SSCR 891)

### RELATING TO INSURANCE.

Introduced by: Fukunaga C, Chang S, Elefante B, Hashimoto T, Keohokalole J, McKelvey A, Moriwaki S, Rhoads K

Establishes provisions relating to property insurance; notice of premium increase; policy renewal; notice requirements. Requires property insurers to provide advance written notice to policyholders and the insurance commissioner disclosing the causes and primary factors of any policy cancellation, non-renewal, or premium increase of 10 percent or more. -- Establishes provisions relating to property insurance; annual filings; review of insurance practices; reports. Requires all property insurers in the state to file a copy of the insurer's rate schedules and underwriting criteria with the commissioner annually. Requires the commissioner to conduct periodic reviews of insurance rates to ensure compliance with state laws. Requires the commissioner to submit an annual report to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session that contains a summary of the information received pursuant to this provision, including any other findings, recommendations, or proposed legislation. (Report to the legislature). -- Establishes provisions relating to property insurance; public reporting; dispute resolution. Requires the commissioner to establish and administer a public reporting and dispute resolution program to handle complaints and appeals regarding premium increases. -- Establishes provisions relating to property insurance; disaster risk mitigation credits. Requires property insurers in the state to provide premium discounts or credits to policyholders that implement disaster risk mitigation measure. -- Establishes provisions relating to notice of cancellation or nonrenewal. -- SB0802 SD2

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0804 SD2 (SSCR 884)

### RELATING TO INSURANCE FOR HAWAII CONDOMINIUM PROPERTIES.

Introduced by: Fukunaga C, Chang S, Hashimoto T, Rhoads K

Establishes provisions relating to condominiums; discounts for risk mitigation upgrades. Establishes provisions relating to insurance premiums; discounts for risk mitigation upgrades, strategies, and plans. Requires each property insurer that provides property insurance to an association pursuant to provisions relating to insurance to offer discounts on the association's annual insurance premium if the association adopts certain risk mitigation upgrades. -- Establishes provisions relating to insurance premiums; discounts; disaster response plans. Requires each property insurer that provides property insurance to an association pursuant to provisions relating to insurance to offer a discount on the association's annual insurance premium equal to \_\_\_\_ dollars if the association develops a comprehensive disaster response plan to minimize losses and claims in an emergency. -- Establishes provisions relating to rules. -- Establishes provisions relating to insurance premium increases; insurance premium adjustment. Requires any property insurance premium increase to be; based on actuarial justifications that reflect actual risk reduction resulting from upgraded fire safety improvements installed in conjunction with a building fire and life safety evaluation; and accompanied by a detailed, written explanation, including actuarial data and risk assessments supporting the increase. Prohibits a property insurance premium applicable to a condominium project that has received or is actively pursuing an acceptable score on a building fire and life safety evaluation to be increased by more than 10 per cent from the previous year unless the property insurer demonstrates, through independently verified data, that an amount in excess of 10 per cent is necessary due to external factors, including natural disaster risk assessments or market-wide claims experience. -- Establishes provisions relating to filing and oversight requirements. Requires each property insurer that provides property insurance to an association pursuant to provisions relating to insurance to file an annual report with the commissioner detailing and providing justification for all condominium premium increases. Requires the commissioner to make all reports available to the public on the insurance division's website; provided that any portion of the report deemed confidential pursuant to this provision shall not be disclosed. -- Establishes provisions relating to penalties. -- SB0804 SD2

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0816 SD2 (SSCR 1046)

### RELATING TO DUE PROCESS PROTECTIONS.

Introduced by: Aquino H, Chang S, Fevella K, Hashimoto T, Rhoads K

Establishes provisions relating to due process in immigration proceedings program under

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courts generally law. -- Establishes provisions relating to due process in immigration proceedings program; establishment. Establishes the due process in immigration proceedings program within the judiciary. Requires the due process in immigration proceedings program to provide legal representation to individuals residing in the state who are facing immigration-related proceedings in immigration court, regardless of their ability to pay. -- Establishes provisions relating to powers and duties by establishing criteria for the due process immigration proceedings program. -- Establishes provisions relating to annual report. Requires the judiciary to submit an annual report to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session. (Report to the legislature). -- Appropriation to the judiciary for the establishment and administration of the due process in immigration proceedings program, including funding for legal service providers, outreach efforts, and administrative costs. (\$\$) -- SB0816 SD2  
Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0819 SD2 (SSCR 1009)

### RELATING TO EDUCATION.

Introduced by: Aquino H, Chang S, Elefante B, Fevella K, Hashimoto T, Inouye L, Rhoads K, San Buenaventura J  
Amends provisions relating to licensing and certification standards; policies under the Education law. Requires the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board to adopts policies, exempt from Administrative Procedure law and Public Agency Meetings and Records law, to initiate the following: establish a visiting international teacher license to promote cultural and educational exchange between the State and other countries. Requires the international teacher license to provide educators hired by the department or public charter schools the ability to teach all subjects and grade levels that the teacher is qualified to teach: provided that: international teachers hired by the department or public charter schools as part of a designated exchange visitor program of the United State shall be issues a renewable visiting international teacher license upon receipt of the following: a valid and current J-1 visa; the equivalent of a United States bachelor's degree or higher; completion of an equivalent United States teacher preparation program that verifies basic skills and content knowledge; a valid teaching license in the teacher's home country; and verification of 3 years of employment at a public or private school in a pre-kindergarten through grade 12 setting; and renewal of a visiting international teacher license shall be conditioned on the existence of a valid and current J-1 visa and participation in a designated exchange visitor program of the United States Department of State. -- SB0819 SD2  
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SB0822 SD2 (SSCR 1016)

### RELATING TO THE LANDLORD TENANT CODE.

Introduced by: Hashimoto T, Chang S  
Establishes the residential landlord-tenant code working group within the judiciary to conduct a comprehensive review of the residential landlord-tenant code and determine whether amendments and updates to the landlord-tenant code are necessary. Establishes criteria for the working group. Requires the working group to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2027. (Report to the legislature). Requires the working group to be dissolved on June 30, 2027 (sunset). -- SB0822 SD2  
Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0825 SD2 (SSCR 885)

### RELATING TO EVICTION MEDIATION.

Introduced by: Hashimoto T, Chang S, McKelvey A  
Amends provisions relating to landlord's remedies for failure by tenant to pay rent by changing its title to landlord's remedies for failure by tenant to pay rent; pre-litigation mediation. Amends provisions by extending the period for a notice of termination of a rental agreement from 5 business days to 10 calendar days beginning on February 5, 2026. Requires the notice of termination of a rental agreement to provide specific information to tenants, including a mediation center that offers free mediation for residential landlord-tenant disputes. Requires landlords or a landlord's agent to engage in early mediation and delay filing an action for eviction if a tenant schedules or attempts to schedule a mediation. Requires mediation to take place within 30 days from the date a mediation center contacts the landlord and tenant. -- Requires the judiciary, no later than 90 days after the termination of the pilot program established by this Act, to submit

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to the legislature a report of its findings and recommendations, including recommendations on whether the pilot program should be made permanent, and any proposed legislation. (Report to the legislature). -- Appropriation to the judiciary to contract for mediation services pursuant to this Act. Requires this act to be repealed on February 4, 2028 (sunset). (\$\$) -- SB0825 SD2

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SB0826 SD1 (SSCR 829)

RELATING TO THE LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT.

Introduced by: Hashimoto T

Amends provisions relating to low-income housing tax credit. Allows each taxpayer subject to the tax imposed by this law, who has filed a net income tax return for a taxable year to claim a low-income housing tax credit against the taxpayer's net income tax liability; provided that the tax credit shall not be available for any development, planning, or construction by any department or agency of the State. Allows the credit to be claimed whether or not the taxpayer is eligible to be allocated a federal low-income housing tax credit pursuant to section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code. -- SB0826 SD1

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SB0828 SD1 (SSCR 358)

RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION MEDICAL BENEFITS.

Introduced by: Hashimoto T, Aquino H, Fevella K, McKelvey A, Rhoads K, San Buenaventura J

Amends provisions relating to medical care, services, and supplies for firefighters suffering from cancer. Provides that if a claim for any form of cancers or diseases covered under this provision is filed by an employee with 5 or more years of service as a firefighter is accepted or determined to be compensable, provision relating to medical care, services, and supplies shall remain applicable, unless the employer proves that the cancer or disease was not associated with the firefighting duties. Requires the following cancers or diseases to be covered under this provision: adenocarcinoma or mesothelioma of the respiratory system; cancer of the bladder, brain, breast, buccal cavity, colon, esophagus, intestines, kidney, lung, pharynx, prostate, rectum, female reproductive organs, stomach, testes, or thyroid; leukemia; malignant melanoma; multiple myeloma; or non-Hodgkin lymphoma. -- SB0828 SD1

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SB0830 SD2 (SSCR 764)

RELATING TO COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT.

Introduced by: Hashimoto T, Chang S

Amends provisions relating to the definition of development. Redefines development to include reconstruction of any lawfully constructed structure that: is substantively similar to its original footprint or overall dimensions; and was damaged or destroyed in a disaster proclaimed by the governor or a mayor to constitute a state of emergency or local state of emergency under state of emergency pursuant to Emergency Management law, and a disaster declared pursuant to federal law; provided that the disaster was not related to waves, storm surge, high tides, flooding, erosion, sea level rise, or subsidence. -- SB0830 SD2

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SB0838 SD2 (SSCR 743)

RELATING TO HEALTH INSURANCE.

Introduced by: Kanuha D, Chang S, DeCoite L, Gabbard M, Kidani M, McKelvey A, Rhoads K, Richards III H, San Buenaventura J

Amends provisions relating to coverage for diabetes and diabetes coverage under the insurance code and mutual benefit societies law. Requires health insurance coverage for the cost of continuous glucose monitors and related supplies under certain conditions. -- Requires the benefit to be provided by health maintenance organizations corresponding to the benefit provided under provisions relating to coverage for diabetes, as amended in this Act, as contained in provisions relating to required provisions and benefits to take effect for all policies, contracts, plans, or agreements issued or renewed in the State after December 31, 2025. -- Allows the department of health to accept and expend funds from gifts, grants, and donations from individuals, private organizations, foundations, or other governmental agencies to support the expansion of continuous glucose monitor access; provided that no gift, grant, or donation may be accepted if subject to conditions inconsistent with the laws of this State. -- Prohibits provisions

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relating to proposed mandatory health insurance coverage; impact assessment report to apply to this Act. -- SB0838 SD2

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SB0841 SD1 (SSCR 294)

### RELATING TO MARINE LIFE CONSERVATION DISTRICTS.

Introduced by: Kanuha D, Chang S, DeCoite L, Kidani M, McKelvey A

Requires the department of land and natural resources to establish and conduct the marine life conservation district carrying capacity program to: assess the carrying capacity of state-designated marine life conservation districts; assess the impact of commercial use on state-designated marine life conservation districts, with a focus on how many commercial use permits should be issued; monitor, document, and assess the effectiveness of: mandatory or voluntary kapu, or closures, of ecologically or culturally sensitive areas in state-designated marine life conservation districts; mandatory or voluntary restrictions on certain activities in state-designated marine life conservation districts; and other restrictions on access to areas in state-designated marine life conservation districts, including the imposition of fees; and propose long-term management options to reduce the impact of humans on the health and abundance of marine life in the sensitive areas of state-designated marine life conservation districts. Requires the department of land and natural resources to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular sessions of 2026 and 2027 (report to the legislature). -- Appropriation to the department of land and natural resources for the department of land and natural resources to establish and conduct the marine life conservation district carrying capacity program (\$\$). -- SB0841 SD1

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SB0849 SD1 (SSCR 266)

### RELATING TO WILDLIFE CONSERVATION.

Introduced by: Kanuha D, Aquino H, Chang S, Gabbard M, Hashimoto T, McKelvey A, Moriwaki S, Rhoads K

Establishes provisions relating to Hawaiian hawk; protected species. Provides that the intentional taking, harming, or killing of an 'io, or Hawaiian hawk (*buteo solitarius*) shall be subject to the penalties under provision relating to penalty. -- Amends provisions relating to penalty. Requires any person who violates any of the provisions of this law the provisions of any rule adopted hereunder shall be guilty of a misdemeanor for a 1st offense by a fine of not less than 250 dollars or by imprisonment of not more than 1 year, or both; and a class C felony for a 2nd or subsequent offense and upon conviction shall be subject to 1 or any combination of the following: a fine of not less than 1,000 dollars; Imprisonment of not more than 2 years; or rehabilitative community service. Requires for a 1st violation, a fine of not less than 2,500 dollars and not more than 5,000 dollars or rehabilitative community service, or both; for a 2nd violation, a fine of not less than 5,000 dollars and not more than 10,000 dollars or rehabilitative community service, or both; and for a 3rd or subsequent violation, a fine of not less than 10,000 dollars and not more than 20,000 dollars or rehabilitative community service, or both. Allows in addition, an administrative fine of up to 10,000 dollars or rehabilitative community service, or both, to be levied for each specimen of wildlife or plant taken, killed, injured, or damaged in violation of this chapter or any rule adopted thereunder. -- SB0849 SD1

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SB0850 SD2 (SSCR 765)

### RELATING TO DISABILITY HEALTH DISPARITY.

Introduced by: Kanuha D, Chang S, DeCoite L, McKelvey A, Rhoads K

Requires the state council on developmental disabilities to collect comprehensive data to identify gaps in social determinants of health, especially in the areas of health care access and quality and economic stability, that affect health outcomes and health disparities experienced by individuals with intellectual or development disabilities in the State and that can be addressed with policy, legislative, or stakeholder action, and shall submit a report to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2027 (report to the legislature). Requires, within the report, the state council on developmental disabilities to compile a list of recommendations and proposals, based on the council's findings, on how state agencies and departments can implement legislation and policies to reduce health disparities experienced by individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities. -- Appropriation to the department of health for the state council on developmental disabilities to collect comprehensive data and compile

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and submit to the legislature a report focused on the health disparities experienced by individuals with developmental or intellectual disabilities in the State prior to the convening of the regular session of 2027 (\$\$). -- SB0850 SD2

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SB0855 SD1 (SSCR 56)

### RELATING TO HAWAII RETIREMENT SAVINGS ACT.

Introduced by: Aquino H, Chang S, Fevella K, Kidani M, Kim D, Moriwaki S  
Amends provisions relating to definitions under hawaii retirement savings law. Redefines covered employer. -- Amends provisions relating to hawaii retirement savings program; due diligence; establishment; payroll deduction upon election to contribute by changing its title to hawaii retirement savings program; due diligence; establishment; payroll deduction. Requires each covered employer to automatically enroll its covered employees in the hawaii retirement savings program unless the employee has elected to opt out. -- Amends provisions relating to hawaii retirement savings program; program manager. Repeals provisions limiting the total fees and expenses that can be spent for the hawaii retirement savings program each year. -- Appropriation to the department of labor and industrial relations for the development and operation of the hawaii retirement savings program, including but not limited to expenses for legal, outreach, communication, and marketing services, and consultants, audits, and insurance. (\$\$) -- SB0855 SD1

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SB0865 SD1 (SSCR 275)

### RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

Introduced by: Kanuha D, Chang S, Gabbard M, Inouye L, Kidani M, McKelvey A, Richards III H

Appropriation to the university of Hawaii for 1 full time equivalent (1.00 FTE) permanent educational support associate position within the college of tropical agriculture and human resilience's Kona cooperative extension to support the coffee and orchard crops extension and applied research program and the Kona research station in the county of Hawaii. (\$\$) -- SB0865 SD1

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SB0867 SD2 (SSCR 1047)

### RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

Introduced by: Kanuha D, Chang S, DeCoite L, Gabbard M, Hashimoto T, Kidani M, Rhoads K, Richards III H

Establishes a working group to ascertain and address state watershed management to enable the development and construction of affordable housing projects across the state. Requires the working group to be placed in the office of the governor for administrative purposes. Requires the working group to conduct an inventory of all available water resources statewide and identify appropriate aquifer replenishment as it pertains to each county water use and development plan, including the water source capacity for affordable housing development, and streamline the well permit approval process to ensure available water supply. Requires no later than September 15, 2025, the working group to submit an interim report of its status and progress, including any preliminary findings, to the legislature. Requires the interim report to include the working group's plan on how the working group intends to proceed in carrying out its duties pursuant to this act. Requires no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026, the working group to submit a final report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature. Requires the working group to be dissolved on June 30, 2026 (sunset). (Report to Legislature) -- SB0867 SD2

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SB0869 SD1 (SSCR 317)

### RELATING TO COMMUNITY OUTREACH BOARDS.

Introduced by: Kanuha D, Chang S, McKelvey A

Establishes provisions relating to definitions under public agency meetings and records law. Defines community outreach to mean a board established to serve in a community advisory capacity under a county commission or a county department. -- Amends provisions relating to neighborhood board; notice and agenda; public input; quorum; permitted interactions of neighborhood board members; neighborhood board meeting; unanticipated events; public interest to include community outreach boards in existing provisions of the sunshine law for neighborhood boards. -- Amends provisions relating

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to permitted interactions of neighborhood board by changing its title to permitted interactions of neighborhood board and community outreach board members. Allows neighborhood board and community outreach board members to attend or organize meetings or presentations on matters relating to official board business statewide. -- SB0869 SD1

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SB0871 SD1 (SSCR 78)

RELATING TO ARSON.

Introduced by: Kanuha D, Aquino H, Chang S, DeCoite L, Elefante B, Gabbard M, Hashimoto T, Inouye L, Kidani M, McKelvey A, Richards III H, San Buenaventura J Establishes provisions relating to victim restitution and additional penalties under the Offenses Against Property Rights law. Requires the court to order the defendant to make restitution for reasonable and verified losses or damages to property suffered by the victim or victims as a result of the defendant's offense. Requires the court to order the defendant to perform \_\_\_\_ hours of community service dedicated to public awareness, firefighting education, or rehabilitation of affected areas. Allows a person who is convicted of any offense under arson in the 1st degree, arson in the 2nd degree, arson in the 3rd degree, or arson in the 4th degree that endangers or affects a vulnerable area such as a school, hospital, or living facility to be sentenced to an additional term of imprisonment of 5 years with the possibility of parole. -- Amends provisions relating to arson in the 1st degree and arson in the 2nd degree. Allows a person who is convicted of arson in the 1st degree and has any prior offense under arson in the 1st degree, arson in the 2nd degree, arson in the 3rd degree, or arson in the 4th degree to be sentenced to an additional 5-year term of imprisonment with the possibility for parole. -- Amends provisions relating to arson in the 4th degree. Requires the state of mind requirement applicable to the attendant circumstances that the red flag warning was in effect at the time and within the geographic area in which the act was committed to be negligence; or endangers or affects a vulnerable area such as a school, hospital, or living facility. -- SB0871 SD1

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SB0878

RELATING TO KUPUNA HOUSING.

Introduced by: Moriwaki S, Chang S, Elefante B, Fevella K, Gabbard M, Hashimoto T, Kidani M, McKelvey A, Rhoads K Amends provisions relating to uniform electronic legal material act cross references. Requires this act to take effect on July 1, 2023 and to be repealed on June 30, 2028. (sunset) -- SB0878

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0890 SD2 (SSCR 826)

RELATING TO BUSINESS REGULATION.

Introduced by: Kanuha D

Establishes provisions relating to poi; labeling requirements under the Measurement Standards law. Prohibits any person to keep, offer, display, expose for sale, solicit for sale, or market any product labeled as poi unless the product is wholly derived from taro that is grown in the State. Prohibits any product made from taro that is grown outside the State and shipped or transported into the State to be labeled, marketed, or sold as poi and shall constitute a violation of this provision. -- SB0890 SD2

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0891 SD2 (SSCR 597)

RELATING TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Introduced by: Kanuha D

Establishes a tourism and gaming working group within the department of business, economic development, and tourism for administrative purposes. Requires the working group to; review past gaming legislation that has been considered by the legislature to determine if any have the potential to be implemented in the State; develop a comprehensive tourism gaming policy framework that would serve as a catalyst for economic activity, employment, investment, and a significant source of tax revenue for the State; examine the potential for gaming activities at the New Aloha Stadium Entertainment District; and examine how gaming activities may support the work being done by the department of business, economic development, and tourism and the Hawaii tourism authority. Report to the legislature. Requires the working group to be dissolved on June 30, 2026. -- SB0891 SD2

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SB0894 SD3 (SSCR 830)

### RELATING TO EDUCATION.

Introduced by: Kanuha D

Appropriation to the department of education for statewide regional kitchen expansion to fulfill its statutory mandate to provide farm to school meals that consist of at least 30 per cent locally sourced products. (\$\$) -- SB0894 SD3

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SB0897 SD3 (SSCR 1067)

### RELATING TO ENERGY.

Introduced by: Kanuha D

Establishes provisions relating to the wildfire liability trust fund under public utilities commission law. Establishes provisions relating to wildfire liability trust fund; establishment; executive director. Establishes outside the state treasury a wildfire liability trust fund and any accounts thereunder that are necessary to carry out the purposes of this provision. Requires all moneys in the fund to be administered by the executive director of the wildfire liability trust fund and expended exclusively for the uses and purposes set forth in this provision. Prohibits the fund to be subject to the insurance code law. Requires any moneys in the fund not required for immediate use to be invested by the executive director for the benefit of the fund; provided that no assets of the fund shall be transferred to the general fund of the State or to any other fund of the State or otherwise encumbered or used for any purpose other than those specified for the fund; provided further that the fund shall not be considered the property or asset of any of its contributors for purposes of a bankruptcy reorganization or other insolvency proceeding. Requires the wildfire liability trust fund to be placed within the department of commerce and consumer affairs for administrative purposes. Requires the governor to appoint, subject to confirmation by the senate, an executive director of the wildfire liability trust fund, who shall be exempt from civil service law. -- Establishes provisions relating to eligibility for participation as a contributor; contributions; determination of a covered catastrophic wildfire; replenishment of the wildfire liability trust fund; claims for payment by qualified claimants; presentment requirement; claims for payment by contributors; rules; limitation on aggregate liability; limitations on claims; several liability; reporting; refunds authorized by legislature; admissibility of evidence; electric cooperative cost recovery for wildfire mitigation, repair, and restoration costs. -- Establishes the securitization law. Establishes provisions relating to applications to issue bonds and authorize wildfire recovery charges; wildfire recovery financing order; bonds; issuance; wildfire recovery property interests; wildfire recovery charge; security interests in wildfire recovery property; financing statements; transfers of wildfire recovery property; financing entity successor requirements; default of financing entity; severability. -- Amends provisions relating to Hawaii electricity reliability surcharge; authorization; cost recovery; Hawaii electricity reliability administrator; contracting; renewable portfolio standards. Requires the public utilities commission to establish standards that require each electric utility company to remove from the rate base a commensurate amount of costs related to fossil fuel resources when adding new or converted firm renewable electrical energy and renewable energy resources. -- Amends provisions relating to renewable portfolio standards study. -- SB0897 SD3

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SB0903 SD2 (SSCR 804)

### RELATING TO HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS.

Introduced by: Kanuha D

Establishes in the office of Hawaiian affairs for administrative purposes only a claims review working group, which shall determine the process of calculating the total amount owed to clear all future claims of the office of Hawaiian affairs against the State; and determine the process by which the office of Hawaiian affairs may negotiate a master settlement with the State. Report to the legislature. -- Amends Act 226, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022, relating to increasing the payment amount for the office of Hawaiian affairs' pro rata share of the public land trust. Repeals the working group to account for all ceded lands in the public land trust inventory; account for all income and proceeds from the public land trust; and subsequently determine the 20 per cent pro rata share of income and proceeds from the public land trust due annually to the office of Hawaiian affairs for the betterment of the conditions of Native Hawaiians. -- Appropriation to the office of Hawaiian affairs for the operating expenses of the office of Hawaiian affairs. (\$\$)

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SB0933 SD2 (SSCR 822)

RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET.

Introduced by: Kanuha D

Grant funding Act of 2025. Operating grants and capital improvement projects for public health, safety, and general welfare. Governor and chief justice to report to the legislature. (\$\$) -- SB0933 SD2

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0934 SD2 (SSCR 823)

RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET.

Introduced by: Kanuha D

Appropriation out of the mass transit special fund to the department of budget and finance for the mass transit special fund for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2026 (sunset). Provided that no sums shall be disbursed until the director of budget and finance determines that the development of the minimum operating segment identified in the Amended Full Funding Grant Agreement is completed and the development of the Pearl Highlands park and ride facility is completed. (expenditure ceiling) (\$\$) -- SB0934 SD2

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SB0935 SD2 (SSCR 824)

RELATING TO GOVERNMENT.

Introduced by: Kanuha D

Amends provisions relating to allowance on service retirement under pension and retirement systems law; return to service of a former member; service retirement; rights of members separated from service; determination of employer normal cost and accrued liability contributions; service retirement; ordinary death benefit; rights of members separated from service. Sets the retirement allowance for a member who 1st earns credited service as a judge after June 30, 2025, to 1.75 per cent of the judge's average final compensation for each year of credited service as a judge. Reduces the minimum number of years of credited service qualified Tier 2 employees' retirement system members must have to be eligible for vested benefit status for service retirement allowance purposes from 10 years to 5 years. Increases employer contributions to offset the resulting liability. -- SB0935 SD2

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SB0938 SD1 (SSCR 549)

RELATING TO TAXATION.

Introduced by: Kanuha D

Establishes provisions relating to information technology services office; reports under administration of taxes law. Requires the department to submit a report to the legislature of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session. Requires the report to include; an organizational chart and staffing plan for the information technology services office; and specific requirements for; cost considerations; budget impact; management and oversight; recruitment and talent acquisition; organizational considerations; risk of overstaffing; long-term sustainability; integration of non-technology services staff; and accountability measures for effective use of resources and long-term sustainability. Report to the legislature. -- SB0938 SD1

Current Status: Mar-04 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0942 SD1 (SSCR 807)

RELATING TO RENTAL APPLICATIONS.

Introduced by: Moriwaki S, Aquino H, Chang S, Rhoads K

Establishes provisions relating to rental applications; proof of income; paychecks; prohibition. Provides that in considering an application to rent a dwelling unit, no landlord shall reject an applicant solely due to the applicant's inability to submit evidence of a recent paycheck; provided that the landlord may require the applicant to submit to the landlord evidence, dated within 30 days of the date of the application for rent, of unearned income or liquid assets sufficient to satisfy the rent for the term of the prospective rental period. In the event the evidence provided pursuant to this provision is not issued by a financial institution, the federal government, or a state, county, or



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municipal government: the landlord may request the applicant's authorization to verify the documentation; or the evidence provided shall be verifiable either directly from the source of the information or by cross-referencing with another official document, such as a tax return. -- SB0942 SD1

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SB0944 SD2 (SSCR 1000)

RELATING TO THE LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT.

Introduced by: Hashimoto T

Amends provisions relating to low-income housing tax credit under income tax law. Allows a partner or member that is a partnership or limited liability company that has been allocated a credit to either further allocate the credit or transfer, sell, or assign all or a portion of the credit to any taxpayer, regardless of whether the taxpayer owns a direct or indirect interest in the qualified low-income building; provided that, for any tax year in which the credit is transferred, sold, or assigned pursuant to this subsection, the transferee shall have received the transfer or assignment of the tax credit before the date the tax return, or amended return, claiming the tax credit is filed, and the transferor shall notify the department of taxation of the transfer, sale, or assignment at least 30 days before the transferee claims the tax credits. Requires the notification to be in the manner prescribed by the department of taxation. -- Amends Act 129, Session Laws of Hawaii 2016, relating to the low-income housing tax credit, as amended by Act 226, Session Laws of Hawaii 2021. Extends repeal date to December 31, 2032 (sunset). -- SB0944 SD2

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0946 SD2 (SSCR 923)

RELATING TO WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT.

Introduced by: Hashimoto T, Chang S

Amends provisions relating to treated or raw sewage; prohibition by changing its title to wastewater or raw sewage; prohibition. Prohibits treatment plants to discharge any wastewater or raw sewage into state waters after December 31, 2026. Prohibits this provision to apply to a treatment plant that produces clean energy pursuant to hawaii clean energy initiative program law; or is in compliance with this law, rules adopted pursuant to this law, or a permit or variance issued by the director. -- SB0946 SD2

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SB0951 SD2 (SSCR 736)

RELATING TO CHILD PROTECTION.

Introduced by: San Buenaventura J, Chang S, Fevella K, Fukunaga C, Gabbard M, Kidani M, McKelvey A, Moriwaki S, Richards III H

Amends provisions relating to reports. Requires all written reports to contain the military status of the child's parents or other persons responsible for the child's care, if known. -- Amends provisions relating to action on reporting. Requires the department of human services to inform the appropriate authority of the united states military upon receiving a report of child abuse or neglect where 1 of the alleged perpetrators is a member of an identifiable branch of the united states military. -- SB0951 SD2

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SB0952 SD2 (SSCR 766)

RELATING TO CHILD WELFARE SERVICES.

Introduced by: San Buenaventura J, Aquino H, Chang S, Fevella K, Gabbard M, Hashimoto T, Inouye L, Kanuha D, Kidani M, McKelvey A

Requires the department of human services to collaborate with the office of wellness and resilience to design a child welfare system diversion and intervention pilot program. Requires the department of human services to implement and administer the pilot program. Establishes criteria for the pilot program. Requires the department of human services, in collaboration with the office of wellness and resilience, to submit a report of the department's findings and recommendations regarding the child welfare system diversion and intervention pilot program, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2030. (Report to the legislature). Requires the pilot program to cease to exist July 1, 2030 (sunset). -- Appropriation to the department of human services to design, implement, and administer a child welfare system diversion and intervention pilot program pursuant to this Act, including contracting with public and private entities to provide necessary services. (\$\$) -- SB0952 SD2

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SB0955 SD2 (SSCR 839)

### RELATING TO FITNESS TO PROCEED.

Introduced by: San Buenaventura J, Chang S, McKelvey A

Amends provisions relating to examination of defendant with respect to physical or mental disease, disorder, or defect excluding fitness to proceed. Allows the court to appoint as the examiner a health care professional designated by the director of health from within the department of health, including a psychiatrist, an advanced practice registered nurse specializing in psychiatry, or a licensed psychologist; and in felony cases, the court shall appoint 1 qualified examiner to examine and report upon the defendant's fitness to proceed. Requires the court to appoint as an examiner a psychiatrist, licensed psychologist, advanced practice registered nurse specializing in psychiatry, or qualified physician; provided that the court may appoint as an examiner a psychiatrist, advanced practice registered nurse specializing in psychiatry, or licensed psychologist designated by the director of health from within the department of health. -- Provides that the court shall hold a status hearing no later than 14 days after the defendant is committed to determine whether it is necessary to continue to commit the defendant; provided further that if the court determines that it is necessary to continue to commit the defendant to the custody of the hospital or facility beyond 14 days, the court shall hold a status hearing on the 30th day to determine whether it is necessary to continue to commit the defendant; provided further that the court shall hold status hearings no less than once per calendar week at the Hawaii state hospital. Provides that if the 30th day falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday, the hearing shall be held on the next court day. -- Requires the rate of compensation paid by the State to be \_\_\_\_ dollar per examination, which shall include payment for and be in full satisfaction of; the examination; report drafting; and any consultation, preparation, testimony, or attendance for purposes of court proceedings. -- Amends provisions relating to escape in the 2nd degree. Requires escape in the 2nd degree to be a class C felony. Provides that if a person escapes from the custody of the director of health while awaiting examination or assessment pursuant to provisions relating to Proceedings for defendants charged with petty misdemeanors not involving violence or attempted violence; criminal justice diversion program, escape in the 2nd degree shall be a petty misdemeanor; provided that this provision shall not apply if the person commits a new felony offense in the course of or during the pendency of the escape. -- SB0955 SD2

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SB0960 SD1 (SSCR 121)

### RELATING TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

Introduced by: San Buenaventura J, Aquino H

Appropriation to the department of human services to strengthen access to the supplemental nutrition assistance program (SNAP). (\$\$) -- SB0960 SD1

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SB0961 SD1 (SSCR 646)

### RELATING TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

Introduced by: San Buenaventura J, Aquino H

Requires the department of human services to set the minimum certification periods for supplemental nutrition assistance program benefit households to 12 months; provided that for households in which all adult members are 60 years of age or older, the certification periods shall be at minimum 24 months. Requires the department of human services to participate in the elderly simplified application project of the supplemental nutrition assistance program to simplify eligibility determinations for eligible households. Requires the department of human services to seek any necessary federal approvals or waivers to implement this act and shall promptly amend its rules, policies, and procedures to effectuate the intent of this act. Requires the department of human services to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular sessions of 2028 and 2029. (Report to Legislature) -- SB0961 SD1

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB0964 SD1 (SSCR 21)

### RELATING TO WASTE-TO-ENERGY.

Introduced by: Fevella K

Amends provisions relating to hawaii state energy office; established. Allows the hawaii

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state energy office to establish a public-private partnership to develop a waste-to-energy generating facility in each county having a population below 800,000. -- SB0964 SD1  
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SB0971 SD2 (SSCR 1017)

### RELATING TO TRAFFIC.

Introduced by: Elefante B, Fevella K, Hashimoto T, Rhoads K, Richards III H  
Establishes provisions relating to unauthorized operators; use of motor vehicle prohibited. Provides that if a law enforcement officer lawfully stops a motor vehicle and cites the person operating the motor vehicle for allegedly violating licensing, suspension of a license; surrender, no operation under foreign license during revocation or suspension in this State, unlawful use of license, driving while license suspended or revoked, unlawful to permit unauthorized person to drive, or employing unlicensed driver, the officer shall not permit the operator to resume the use of the motor vehicle. Allows the motor vehicle to be removed from the scene of the stop by: the registered owner of the motor vehicle, if the registered owner possesses a valid driver's license; or any other individual who possesses a valid driver's license, if the individual has the explicit permission of the registered owner of the motor vehicle; provided that the individual taking possession of the motor vehicle is able to legally park or store the motor vehicle. Provides that if an individual described in in this provision cannot remove the motor vehicle within a reasonable time, the law enforcement officer shall arrange for the motor vehicle to be towed, at the expense of the motor vehicle's registered owner, to: the address of the motor vehicle's registered owner; or any location designated by the county in which the stop occurred. Requires the cited operator to be responsible for arranging the cited operator's transportation from the scene of the stop, which may include the use of public transportation, rideshare or taxi services, or riding as a passenger in a motor vehicle operated by a person possessing a valid driver's license. Requires any transportation expenses incurred to be the responsibility of the cited operator. Requires the cited operator to inform the law enforcement officer of the cited operator's transportation arrangements. -- SB0971 SD2

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SB0984 SD2 (SSCR 903)

### RELATING TO WATER POLLUTION.

Introduced by: DeCoite L, Chang S, Fevella K, Kidani M, McKelvey A  
Establishes provisions relating to agricultural water pollution; liability. Requires a landowner in possession of 10,000 or more acres to be liable for damages and fines arising from runoff originating on the land and entering into state waters or onto state lands. Requires the department to adopt rules pursuant to Administrative Procedure law as necessary for the purposes of this provision. Defines landowner to have the same meaning as defined in definitions under the Noxious Weed Control law. Defines runoff to mean any water, silt, water pollutant, or other debris originating in an agricultural facility or on lands used for the purposes of an agricultural enterprise. -- SB0984 SD2

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SB0989 SD1 (SSCR 392)

### RELATING TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Introduced by: DeCoite L, Chang S, Fevella K, Kidani M, McKelvey A, Richards III H  
Appropriation to the Hawaii technology development corporation to assist small businesses with technology enablement (\$\$). -- Requires the Hawaii technology development corporation to submit a report on the status of assisting technology enablement for small businesses related to the tourism sector to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026 (report to the legislature). -- SB0989 SD1

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SB0997 SD3 (FLOOR  
AMENDMENT 1)

### RELATING TO ENERGY.

Introduced by: Wakai G

Establishes provisions relating to preferential renewable energy rates; prevailing wages. Allows the public utilities commission to authorize preferential rates for the purchase of firm renewable energy produced from facilities in conjunction with prevailing wages. Requires public utilities to forward the request to the public utilities commission for approval upon receipt of a bona fide request for preferential rates for the purchase of firm renewable energy produced from facilities in conjunction with prevailing wages. --

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SB0997 SD3

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SB1002 SD2 (SSCR 886)

RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

Introduced by: Kanuha D, Chang S, Hashimoto T, McKelvey A, Moriwaki S, San Buenaventura J

Amends provisions relating to review of effect of proposed state projects. Provides that whenever the proposed state project involves the development of residential units intended as affordable housing, the department shall retain a 3rd party consultant to conduct the review described under this provision no later than 60 days after the filing of a request with the department; provided that after an initial evaluation, the department determines that; the department will not be able to provide its written concurrence or non-concurrence within 60 days of the filing of the request with the department; the 3rd party consultant has the qualifications and experience pursuant to this provision to conduct the review; and the contract with the 3rd party consultant requires the 3rd party consultant to provide a recommendation to the department within 30 days of the date that the consultant is retained to conduct the review and comment. Provides that whenever the department retains any 3rd party consultant pursuant to this provision, including an architect, engineer, archaeologist, planner, or other professional, to review an application for a permit, license, or approval, the 3rd party consultant shall meet the educational and experience standards as well as the qualifications for preservation professionals pursuant to rules adopted by the state historic preservation division. Requires the project proponent to pay for the reasonable fee requirements of the 3rd party consultant; provided that the project proponent may contract with or sponsor any county, housing authority, non-profit organization, or person, to meet the fee requirements. -- Amends provisions relating to review of proposed projects. Provides that whenever the project involves the development of residential units intended as affordable housing, the department shall retain a 3rd party consultant to conduct the review and comment described under this provision no later than 60 days after being advised pursuant to this provision; provided that after an initial evaluation, the department determines that; the department will not be able to provide its review and comment within 60 days of being advised pursuant to this provision; the 3rd party consultant has the qualifications and experience required by this provision to conduct the review; and the contract with the 3rd party consultant requires the 3rd party consultant to provide a recommendation to the department within 30 days the date that the consultant is retained to conduct the review and comment. Provides that whenever the department retains any 3rd party consultant, including any architect, engineer, archaeologist, planner, or other professional, to review an application for a permit, license, or approval under this provision, the 3rd party consultant shall meet the educational and experience standards as well as the qualifications for preservation professionals pursuant to rules adopted by the state historic preservation division. Requires the project proponent to pay the reasonable fee requirements of the 3rd party consultant; provided that the project proponent may contract with or sponsor any county, housing authority, non-profit organization, or person, to meet the fee requirements. Requires the department of land and natural resources to publish on its website proposed rules implementing this Act within 1 year from the effective date of this Act. Provides that thereafter, the department of land and natural resources, within 1 year, shall within 1 year, present its proposed final rules to the board of land and natural resources. -- Appropriation to the department of land and natural resources for the state historic preservation division's recruitment and retention of qualified 3rd party consultants. (\$\$) -- SB1002 SD2

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SB1008

RELATING TO PARKING.

Introduced by: Lee C, Chang S, Fukunaga C, Hashimoto T, Kanuha D, Kidani M, Kim D, Rhoads K

Amends provisions relating to requirement to provide parking for persons with disabilities; penalty by changing its title to requirement to provide parking for persons with disabilities; ordinances to enforce authorized. Allows each county to adopt ordinances to: enforce the design and construction requirements of this part, and any administrative rules adopted pursuant to this part, pertaining to the provision of parking spaces and access to parking spaces reserved for persons with disabilities, including but not limited to the number, location, design, and signage of these parking spaces; and establish penalties for failure to comply with ordinances adopted pursuant to this provision. Allows an official appointed

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by a county to enter the property of a place of public accommodation to enforce any applicable ordinances adopted pursuant to this provision. Defines place of public accommodation to have the same meaning as defined in the Discrimination in Public Accommodations law. -- SB1008

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB1009 SD2 (SSCR 1055)

RELATING TO PARKING.

Introduced by: Lee C, Hashimoto T

Amends provisions relating to parking spaces reserved for persons with disabilities; penalties. Requires any person who uses a parking space reserved for persons with disabilities who: obstructs the ingress or egress to a parking space reserved for a person with a disability; shall be guilty of a traffic infraction under adjudication of infractions law, be fined not less than 250 dollars nor more than 500 dollars, and pay any costs incurred by the court related to assessing the fine. Requires in addition to any other applicable penalties and fines, any person who violates this provision to be assessed an additional state reserved parking space enforcement fine of 100 dollars; provided that a person with a disability who has been issued a valid disability parking permit that is currently in effect, and who has failed to display the disability parking permit while parking in a space reserved for persons with disabilities, shall not be assessed the state reserved parking space enforcement fine. Requires the state reserved parking space enforcement fine to be enforced and collected by the district courts and be deposited into the safe routes to school program special fund. -- Amends provisions relating to parking spaces reserved for electric vehicles and electric vehicle charging systems; penalties. Requires any person who parks a non-electric vehicle in a space designated and marked as reserved for electric vehicles or parks any vehicle in a parking space equipped with an electric vehicle charging system while not actively charging to be guilty of a traffic infraction under adjudication of infractions law, be fined not less than 250 dollars nor more than 500 dollars, and pay any costs incurred by the court related to assessing the fine. Requires in addition to any other applicable penalties and fines, any person who violates this provision to be assessed an additional state reserved parking space enforcement fine of 100 dollars. Requires the state reserved parking space enforcement fine to be enforced and collected by the district courts and be deposited into the safe routes to school program special fund. -- Establishes in the state treasury the safe routes to school program special fund, into which shall be deposited: moneys collected from state reserved parking space enforcement fines pursuant to provisions relating to parking spaces reserved for persons with disabilities; penalties and Parking spaces reserved for electric vehicles and electric vehicle charging systems; penalties. -- SB1009 SD2

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SB1022 SD2 (SSCR 996)

RELATING TO ANIMAL ENDANGERMENT.

Introduced by: Lee C, Chang S, Hashimoto T, Kanuha D, Kidani M, Wakai G

Establishes provisions relating to unattended vehicle; permitted protection and rescue of an animal; removal or retrieval; immunity; criminal liability. Requires an animal control officer, law enforcement officer, or firefighter who removes or otherwise retrieves a pet animal from an unattended vehicle pursuant to this provision, and the agency or county that employs the officer or firefighter, to be immune from criminal liability that might otherwise result from the removal or retrieval. Requires a person who removes or otherwise retrieves a pet animal from an unattended vehicle pursuant to this provision to be immune from criminal liability that might otherwise result from the removal or retrieval. Provides that after making reasonable efforts to locate the unattended vehicle's owner or operator, an animal control officer, law enforcement officer, or firefighter may enter a vehicle by any reasonable means to protect the health, safety, or well-being of a pet animal that is endangered by being left or confined in an unattended vehicle. Allows a law enforcement officer, animal control officer, or firefighter to enter the unattended vehicle for the sole purpose of removing or otherwise retrieving the pet animal and shall not search the vehicle or seize items found in the vehicle, unless otherwise permitted by law. -- Provides that after making reasonable efforts to locate an unattended vehicle's owner or operator, a person other than an animal control officer, law enforcement officer, or firefighter may enter an unattended vehicle to remove or otherwise retrieve a pet animal to protect the health, safety, or well-being of the pet animal under certain circumstances. -- SB1022 SD2

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SB1023 SD1 (SSCR 303)

### RELATING TO THE SPAYING AND NEUTERING OF ANIMALS.

Introduced by: Lee C, Rhoads K

Establishes provisions relating to spay and neuter special fund. Establishes the spay and neuter special fund to be administered by the department of budget and finance. Requires moneys received by the department of budget and finance from state income tax refund designations to the special fund pursuant to provisions relating to income check off authorized; revenue generated by the fundraising fees from special number plates pursuant to this provision; and legislative appropriations, private gifts or donations, and other sources, to be deposited into the special fund. Requires all interest earned or accrued on moneys deposited into the special fund to become part of the special fund. Requires moneys in the special fund to be expended to reduce pet overpopulation and the reproduction of free roaming cats by providing spaying and neutering surgery and associated veterinary care; provided that the uses and expenditures of moneys in the special fund shall follow the eligibility criteria established pursuant by the advisory committee established under this provision. Establishes an advisory committee to assist the department of budget and finance in establishing the eligibility criteria and procedures for disbursements from the special fund. -- Establishes provisions relating to special number plates; spay and neuter special fund; authorized; income check-off authorized. -- Appropriation into the spay and neuter special fund to the department of budget and finance to reduce pet overpopulation and the reproduction of free-roaming cats by providing spaying and neutering surgery and associated veterinary care. (\$\$) -- SB1023 SD1

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SB1028 SD1 (SSCR 817)

### RELATING TO YOUTH FEES AND FINES.

Introduced by: Lee C, Chang S, Hashimoto T, McKelvey A

Amends provisions relating to penalty under highway safety law; driver education assessments; collisions involving death or serious bodily injury by changing its title to collisions involving serious bodily injury or death; collisions involving substantial bodily injury; collisions involving bodily injury; duty to give information and render aid; duty upon striking unattended vehicle or other property; trauma system surcharge; operating a vehicle under the influence of an intoxicant; habitually operating a vehicle under the influence of an intoxicant; and operating a vehicle after consuming a measurable amount of alcohol; persons under the age of 21. Allows community service in place of the assessment of any fines, fees, or court costs against a person who was adjudicated for a traffic-related offense committed while the person was a minor under the age of 18 years, or against the person's parent or guardian. -- SB1028 SD1

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SB1030 SD2 (SSCR 995)

### RELATING TO ELECTIONS.

Introduced by: Lee C, Chang S, Rhoads K, Wakai G

Amends provisions relating to election frauds. Requires the following persons to be deemed guilty of an election fraud: every person who, directly or indirectly, personally or through another, makes use of, or threatens to make use of, any force, violence, or restraint; or inflicts or threatens to inflict any injury, damage, or loss in any manner, or in any way practices intimidation upon or against any person in order to induce or compel the person to vote or refrain from voting, or to vote or refrain from voting for any particular person or party, at any election, or on account of the person having voted or refrained from voting, or voted or refrained from voting for any particular person or party; or who by abduction, distress, or any device or contrivance impedes, prevents, or otherwise interferes with the free exercise of the elective franchise; provided that the practice of intimidation as described in this provision includes, among other actions, the unconcealed carry of any dangerous instrument including a firearm at or within 200 feet of any voter service center, place of deposit, or polling place; every person who, at any election, votes or attempts to vote in the name of any other person, living or dead, or in some fictitious name, or who votes or attempts to vote more than once during any election, regardless of whether 1 of the elections is in a state or territory of the United States outside of Hawaii, or knowingly gives or attempts to give more than 1 ballot for the same office at 1 time of voting; provided that a person does not commit an election fraud if the person votes once in Hawaii's primary election and also votes in the primary election of another state or territory during the same year, so long as the person was properly registered to vote in all such elections. Defines concealed to mean in relation to a dangerous instrument, that the dangerous instrument is entirely hidden from view of

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the public and not discernable by ordinary observation, in a manner that a reasonable person without law enforcement training would be unable to detect the presence of the dangerous instrument. Defines dangerous instrument to have the same meaning as defines in provision under offenses against the person law. Defines unconcealed to mean not concealed. -- SB1030 SD2

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SB1032 SD2 (SSCR 1042)

RELATING TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE.

Introduced by: Lee C, Kidani M, Moriwaki S, Rhoads K

Establishes provisions relating to definitions under elections, generally law. Defines business entity; foreign-influenced business entity; and foreign investor. -- Amends provisions relating to contributions by foreign national or foreign corporation; prohibited by changing its title to contributions and expenditures by a foreign national or foreign corporation; prohibited. Prohibits foreign entities and foreign-influenced business entities from making contributions, expenditures, electioneering communications, or donations for election purposes. Allows every business entity that contributes to or makes an expenditure on behalf of a candidate, candidate committee, or noncandidate committee, to certify that the entity is not and will not be a foreign corporation or foreign-influenced business entity if the entity intends to make contributions or expenditures within an election cycle. Provides that if a business entity qualifies as a foreign-influenced business entity is held unconstitutional by a final judgment, the campaign spending commission is required to establish revised conditions that are constitutional. -- Amends provisions relating to identification of certain top contributors to noncandidate committees making only independent expenditures. Requires noncandidate committees making only independent expenditures to obtain a statement of certification from each top contributor required to be listed in an advertisement. -- SB1032 SD2

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SB1033 SD2 (SSCR 1045)

RELATING TO TAXATION.

Introduced by: Lee C

Establishes the excise tax on certain taxpayers failing to sell excess single-family residences law. Establishes provisions relating to imposition of tax. Establishes an excise tax on certain taxpayers who own excess single-family residences for failure to sell those residences. -- Establishes provisions relating to housing downpayment trust fund. Establishes the housing downpayment trust fund within the state treasury to be administered by the corporation. Requires the trust fund to be held separate and apart from all other moneys, funds, and accounts in the state treasury. Requires moneys from excise tax revenues allocated to the housing downpayment trust fund pursuant to this provision; gifts, bequests, appropriations, or other contributions of money received by the corporation for the purpose of providing downpayment assistance; and all interest earned or accrued on moneys in the fund to be deposited into the fund. Requires all moneys in the fund to be expended by the corporation to establish new or supplement existing programs that provide downpayment assistance to families purchasing homes within the state. -- Requires the corporation to submit a report to the legislature, no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session, providing an accounting of the receipts and expenditures of the fund. (Report to the legislature). -- Requires this Act to apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2026. -- SB1033 SD2

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SB1035 SD2 (SSCR 845)

RELATING TO CONSUMER PROTECTION.

Introduced by: Lee C, Chang S, Hashimoto T, McKelvey A, Rhoads K, Richards III H

Establishes provisions relating to unfair or deceptive practices; junk fees prohibited. Prohibits any business to offer, display, or advertise any price of a covered good or service without clearly and conspicuously disclosing the total price. Requires, in any offer, display, or advertisement that represents the price of a covered good or service, a business to disclose the total price more prominently than any other pricing information, except the final amount of payment. Requires a business to disclose clearly and conspicuously, before the consumer consents to pay for any covered good or service: the nature, purpose, and amount of any fee or charge imposed on the transaction that has been excluded from the total price and the identity of the good or service for which the fee or charge is imposed; and the final amount of payment for the transaction. Requires the disclosure required pursuant to this provision to be subject to the following:

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in any communication that is solely visual or solely audible, the disclosure shall be made through the same means through which the communication is presented. In any communication made through visual and audible means, such as a television advertisement, the disclosure shall be presented simultaneously in both the visual and audible portions of the communication, even if the representation requiring the disclosure is made in only 1 means; a visual disclosure, by its size, contrast, location, the length of time it appears, and other characteristics, shall stand out from any accompanying text or other visual elements so that it is easily noticed, readable, and understandable; an audible disclosure, including by telephone or streaming video, shall be delivered in a volume, speed, and cadence that is sufficiently and easily hearable and understandable for ordinary consumers; in any communication using an interactive electronic medium, such as the Internet, a mobile application, or software, the disclosure shall be unavoidable; the disclosure shall use diction and syntax understandable to ordinary consumers and shall appear in each language in which the representation that requires the disclosure appears; the disclosure shall comply with these requirements in each medium through which it is received, including all electronic devices and face-to-face communications; and the disclosure shall not be contradicted or mitigated by, or inconsistent with, other content in the communication; provided that, when the representation or sales practice targets a specific audience, such as children, older adults, or the terminally ill, members of that group shall be considered ordinary consumers. -- Requires, in any offer, display, or advertisement for a covered good or service, it to be an unfair or deceptive practice in violation of this provision for any business to misrepresent any fee or charge, including but not limited to: the nature, purpose, amount, or refundability of any fee or charge; and the identity of the good or service for which the fee or charge is imposed. -- Defines business to mean a person that offers goods or services, whether online, via mobile applications, or at physical locations. Defines clearly and conspicuously to refer to a required disclosure that is made easily noticeable (i.e., difficult to miss) and easily understandable by ordinary consumers. Defines covered goods or services to mean: live-event tickets; or short-term lodging, including temporary sleeping accommodations at a hotel, motel, inn, short-term rental, vacation rental, or other place of lodging. Defines government charges to mean the fees or charges imposed on the transaction by a federal, state, tribal, or local government agency, unit, or department. Defines pricing information to mean any information relating to an amount that a consumer may pay. Defines shipping charges to mean the fees or charges that reasonably reflect the amount a business incurs to send physical goods to a consumer, including through the United States Postal Service, private mail and shipping services, or by freight. Defines total price to mean the maximum total of all fees or charges that a consumer would pay for any good or service; provided that government charges, shipping charges, and fees or charges for any optional goods or services may be excluded. -- SB1035 SD2

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### SB1038 SD1 (SSCR 800)

#### RELATING TO PRIVACY.

Introduced by: Lee C, Chang S, McKelvey A

Establishes provisions relating to definitions under security breach of personal information law to include personal identifiers and specified data elements that are found in more comprehensive laws. Defines identifier. Defines specified data element. Amends the definition of personal information. -- Amends provisions relating to notice of security breach to include licensees subject to the insurance data security law among the businesses deemed compliant with security breach notice requirements. -- SB1038 SD1

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### SB1040 SD2 (SSCR 768)

#### RELATING TO MEDICAL DEBT.

Introduced by: Lee C, Hashimoto T, McKelvey A, Rhoads K

Establishes provisions relating to medical debt acquisition and forgiveness program. Requires the office of wellness and resilience to develop, implement, and administer a medical debt acquisition and forgiveness program to acquire and forgive outstanding medical debt for households in the State. Requires the office of wellness and resilience to submit a report of its findings and recommendations on the medical debt acquisition and forgiveness program, including its progress, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session (report to the legislature). -- Appropriation to the office of wellness and resilience for the development, implementation, and administration of the medical debt acquisition and forgiveness program established



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pursuant to this provision. -- SB1040 SD2

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SB1042 SD1 (SSCR 625)

RELATING TO MENTAL HEALTH.

Introduced by: Lee C, Chang S

Establishes provisions relating to mental health emerging therapies special fund. Establishes the mental health emerging therapies special fund within the state treasury to be administered by the department of health. Requires moneys from appropriations by the legislature to the special fund; and gifts, donations, and grants from public agencies and private persons to be deposited into the special fund. Requires all interest earned or accrued on moneys deposited into the special fund to become part of the special fund. Requires moneys in the special fund to be expended to support clinical research and the development of emerging therapies for the treatment of mental health and behavioral health disorders. Requires the department of health to submit a report to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session, beginning with the regular session of 2026, a report of the studies funded and efforts supported by the mental health emerging therapies special fund in the previous year; the department's findings and recommendations; and any proposed legislation. (Report to the legislature). -- Appropriation into and out of the mental health emerging therapies special fund to the department of health for supporting clinical research and the use of emerging therapies for treating mental and behavioral health disorders. (\$\$) -- SB1042 SD1

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SB1043 SD2 (SSCR 924)

RELATING TO TAXATION.

Introduced by: Keohokalole J, Aquino H, DeCoite L

Establishes provisions relating to exemption for groceries; exemption for nonprescription drugs under general excise tax law. Exempts from the state excise tax, the gross proceeds or gross income received or derived from the sale of groceries and nonprescription drugs. -- SB1043 SD2

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SB1044 SD2 (SSCR 730)

RELATING TO THE STABILIZATION OF PROPERTY INSURANCE.

Introduced by: Keohokalole J, Aquino H, Chang S, Fukunaga C, Hashimoto T, McKelvey A, Moriwaki S, Rhoads K, Richards III H

Amends provisions relating to definitions under provisions relating to Hawaii property insurance association; powers and duties of the association; default in payment of assessments; designation of area by changing its title to coverage eligibility; insurance coverages available under plan; credit for assessment paid by changing its title to recoupment of assessments paid. -- Establishes provisions relating to recoupment of assessments paid; temporary recording fee; establishment, reduction, and cessation by board. -- Amends provisions relating to definitions under Hawaii hurricane relief fund law; establishment of Hawaii hurricane relief fund; powers, duties, and functions; accumulation of 500,000,000 dollars in funds and commitments; plan of operation; coverage available from the fund; deductible; underlying policy required; hurricane coverage shall be provided; establishment of trust funds; disposition of fees received at the bureau of conveyances; fees. -- Provides that no later than September 1, 2025, the board of directors of the Hawaii hurricane relief fund shall publish a notice inviting domestic insurers that are transacting direct property insurance in the State to submit to the board of directors current statements of qualifications and expressions of interest to serve as a servicing facility to assist the fund in performing the responsibilities described in provisions relating to planning and assessment functions of the fund; discretion to provide insurance, and in executing the powers, duties, and functions of the fund as deemed appropriate by the board of directors with the approval of the insurance commissioner; provided that the request for submissions of statements of qualifications and expressions of interest shall be prepared by the insurance commissioner. Provides that no later than October 1, 2025, the board of directors of the Hawaii hurricane relief fund shall award a servicing facility contract to a domestic insurer that submitted a statement of qualifications and expression of interest pursuant to this provision. Prohibits the processes described in this provision and the selection of the servicing facility to be subject to civil service law, public service law, or the Hawaii public procurement code law. Allows the Hawaii hurricane relief fund, with the approval of the insurance commissioner,

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to award or renew a contract to a servicing facility for a term not to exceed 3 years. -- Establishes provisions relating to condominium loan program. Establishes within the authority a condominium loan program, to be administered by the authority on behalf of the department in a manner consistent with provisions relating to revenue bonds for the purposes of funding essential repairs, addressing deferred maintenance and structural issues, and improving property conditions to enhance the insurability of condominiums organized under condominiums law. -- Establishes provisions relating to condominium loan program special fund. Requires the special fund to be administered by the Hawaii green infrastructure authority on behalf of the department for purposes of carrying out the condominium loan program established under this provision. -- Appropriation into and out of the condominium loan program special fund to the Hawaii green infrastructure authority on behalf of the department of business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes of the condominium loan program special fund. -- Appropriation to provide a loan to the Hawaii property insurance association for administrative and startup costs, minimum solvency costs, and the purchase of reinsurance, to be expended by the insurance commissioner for the purposes of this Act until such time as the Hawaii property insurance association board of directors convenes its 1st meeting after the effective date of this Act. Provides that thereafter, any remaining moneys appropriated pursuant to this provision shall be expended by the Hawaii property insurance association board of directors for the purposes of this Act. -- Requires the insurance commissioner to conduct a study to identify or develop a long-term solution to stabilize the property insurance market in the State. Requires the insurance commissioner to invite representatives of the property and casualty insurance industry to participate in the study. Report to the legislature. -- Appropriation to the insurance division of the department of commerce and consumer affairs for the insurance commissioner to conduct a study pursuant to this provision. Expands the powers of the Hawaii property insurance association and reactivates the Hawaii hurricane relief fund to help to stabilize the property insurance market in the State. (\$\$) -- SB1044 SD2

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SB1046 SD1 (SSCR 803)

### RELATING TO CONDOMINIUMS.

Introduced by: Keohokalole J, Chang S, Hashimoto T, McKelvey A, Richards III H, San Buenaventura J

Amends provisions relating to association fiscal matters; budgets and replacement reserves. Provides that the requirements of this provision shall override any requirements in an association's declaration, bylaws, or any other association documents relating to preparation of budgets, calculation of replacement reserve requirements, assessment and funding of replacement reserves, and expenditures from replacement reserves with the exception of: any provisions relating to upgrading the common elements, including additions, improvements, and alterations to the common elements. Requires subject to any rules adopted by the commission, any managing agent whose client is an association subject to this law, to notify in writing: each unit owner of the association; and the real estate commission, if the association being managed by the managing agent fails to comply with this provision; provided that this provision shall only apply to a managing agent whose contract involves budgetary and replacement reserve responsibilities and provides authority for the managing agent to correspond with the unit owners. -- SB1046 SD1

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SB1048 SD2 (SSCR 735)

### RELATING TO SOLICITATION OF FUNDS FROM THE PUBLIC.

Introduced by: Keohokalole J, Chang S, Hashimoto T, McKelvey A, San Buenaventura J

Amends provisions relating to charitable fundraising platforms; platform charities; professional solicitor financial reports; contribution account; prohibited acts; filing requirements for professional fundraising counsel and professional solicitors; written contracts; filing with attorney general under solicitation of funds from the public law. -- Amends provisions relating to Act 205, Session Laws of Hawaii 2024, relating to solicitation of funds from the public. Amends effective date. Clarifies standards and safeguards in online crowdfunding. -- SB1048 SD2

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SB1050 SD1 (SSCR 808)

### RELATING TO INSURANCE.

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Introduced by: Keohokalole J, Aquino H, Hashimoto T, McKelvey A, Richards III H  
Amends provisions relating to examinations, investigations, and financial surveillance by adding certificate of exemption to title. Allows the commissioner or any authorized examiner to conduct an examination, investigation, or financial surveillance of any captive insurance company as often as the commissioner deems appropriate; provided that, unless exempt or the commissioner requires otherwise. Allows except for a risk retention captive insurance company, a captive insurance company to apply to the commissioner for a certificate of exemption from examination. Allows if the commissioner is satisfied with the captive insurance company's application, the commissioner to issue a certificate of exemption from examination. Requires unless earlier revoked by the commissioner for good cause, a certificate of exemption from examination to be valid for a term not to exceed 5 years from its effective date. Allows a captive insurance company to apply to the commissioner for 1 successive renewal of its current certificate of exemption from examination no earlier than 6 months before the expiration date of the applicant's certificate of exemption. Requires after the expiration of a renewed certificate of exemption, and if required by the commissioner, a captive insurance company to complete at least 1 examination to the satisfaction of the commissioner before the captive insurance company may apply for another certificate of exemption from examination. -- SB1050 SD1

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SB1051 SD1 (SSCR 721)

RELATING TO HAWAIIAN HISTORY MONTH.

Introduced by: Keohokalole J, Aquino H, Rhoads K  
Establishes provisions relating to hawaiian history month. Requires the month of September to be known and designated as hawaiian history month to promote public awareness, honor queen liliuokalani, and recognize the contributions of the native hawaiian community. -- SB1051 SD1

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SB1057 SD2 (SSCR 1002)

RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.

Introduced by: Aquino H  
Amends provisions relating to public works construction; apprenticeship agreement. Requires a governmental body, as defined under Hawaii public procurement code law, that enters into a public works contract under this law having an estimated value of not less than 250,000 dollars, to apply a 5 per cent bid preference if the bidder and the subcontractors utilized by the bidder are parties to registered apprenticeship agreements for all apprenticeable trades utilized to construct the project, pursuant to apprenticeship law, and approved by the department of labor and industrial relations; provided that this requirement shall not apply to trades or classifications for which no state-approved apprenticeship program exists. Requires at the time of submission of a competitive sealed bid or a competitive sealed proposal by a bidder, the bidder to furnish written proof that the bidder and its subcontractors are parties to a registered apprenticeship agreement for all apprenticeable trades the bidder will utilize to construct the public works project and for which a state-approved apprenticeship program exists. Requires if awarded the contract, and at any time upon request of the governmental body, the bidder, within 5 calendar days, to certify in writing that the bidder and the bidder's subcontractors are and will be parties to a registered apprenticeship agreement for the apprenticeable trades the bidders and subcontractors will utilize to construct the public works for the entire duration of the bidder's work on the project. Requires this provision to be deemed to be incorporated into a public works contract. Requires a bidder who is awarded a contract to be subject to the following sanctions if, after commencement of work, the bidder or the bidder's subcontractors at any time during the construction is no longer a party to a registered apprenticeship agreement for each apprenticeable trade the bidder or the bidder's subcontractors will utilize to construct the public works: temporary or permanent cessation of work on the project, without recourse to breach of contract claims by the bidder; provided that the governmental body shall be entitled to restitution for nonperformance or liquidated damages or may find the contractor in default, or both, as appropriate. -- SB1057 SD2

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SB1064 SD2 (SSCR 988)

RELATING TO MEDICAL CANNABIS.

Introduced by: Aquino H

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Establishes provisions relating to unauthorized operation of a dispensary; criminal penalty. Requires it to be unlawful for any person to operate a dispensary or engage in the production, manufacture, or sale of cannabis or manufactured cannabis products without a license from the department pursuant to this law. Provides that no person shall intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly operate any search platform, web hosting services, social media platform, or other entity that posts information advertising the sale of cannabis products by an unlicensed person or entity engaged in the production, manufacture, or sale of cannabis or manufactured cannabis products without a license pursuant to this law. Requires the department to issue a cease and desist notice to any person or entity who violates this provision; provided that the cease and desist notice shall be issued before initiating criminal proceedings. Requires any person who violates this provision to be guilty of a class C felony. Provides that it shall be an affirmative defense to this provision that the person operating any search platform, web hosting services, social media platform, or other entity that posts information advertising the sale of cannabis products had requested, examined, and reasonably relied upon a license that appeared to have been issued by the department that was shown by the unlicensed person or unlicensed entity engaged in the production, manufacture, or sale of cannabis or manufactured cannabis products establishing that the unlicensed person or unlicensed entity was licensed by the department to engage in the production, manufacture, or sale of cannabis or manufactured cannabis products pursuant to this law. Provides that the failure of the person operating any search platform, web hosting services, social media platform, or other entity that posts information advertising the sale of cannabis products to request and examine a license issued by the department from the unlicensed person or unlicensed entity engaged in the production, manufacture, or sale of cannabis or manufactured cannabis products before providing access to any search platform, web hosting services, social media platform, or other entity that posts information advertising the sale of cannabis products shall be construed against the person operating any search platform, web hosting services, social media platform, or other entity that posts information advertising the sale of cannabis products and form a conclusive basis for the person's violation of this provision. Prohibits this provision to apply to: hemp processors, hemp product retailers, or hemp produce retailers with a valid permit under hemp processors law; or primary qualified caregivers registered under uniform controlled substances law who are acting within the scope of their permit or registration. --Establishes provisions relating to cannabis cultivator; license required. Provides that notwithstanding provision relating to cultivation of medical cannabis by qualifying patients and primary caregivers, it shall be unlawful for any person to cultivate cannabis without a license from the department pursuant to this provision. Allows a cannabis cultivator license to authorize: the acquisition and cultivation of cannabis plants, seeds, cuttings, or clones; and the distribution of cannabis plants and cannabis flower to a medical cannabis dispensary. Requires the department to issue not more than 1 cannabis cultivator license for each person. Prohibits the maximum number of cannabis cultivator licenses that may be issued by the department to the public to exceed \_\_\_\_\_ licenses. Allows the maximum size of plant canopy the department to authorize for each cannabis cultivator license shall be \_\_\_\_\_ square feet of plant canopy for indoor cultivations and \_\_\_\_\_ square feet of plant canopy for outdoor cultivations, or a maximum plant count of \_\_\_\_\_ mature cannabis plants for each cannabis cultivator license. Defines plant canopy to mean the square footage dedicated to flowering plants that are wider or taller than 12 inches. Provides that plant canopy does not include areas such as space used for the storage of fertilizers, pesticides, or other products, quarantine, or office space. -- Establishes within the state treasury the medical cannabis registry and regulation special fund. Requires the fund to be expended at the discretion of the director of health: to fund programs for the mitigation and abatement of nuisances relating to medical cannabis dispensary system law. -- Amends provisions relating to Registration requirements; qualifying patients; primary caregivers. Prohibits any fees assessed by a certifying physician or advanced practice registered nurse to issue a written certification for a qualifying patient to exceed an amount equal to 3 times the amount of the fee charged by the department of health to issue a registration certificate pursuant to this provision. -- Appropriation to the director of health for the department of the attorney general to enforce, and mitigate nuisances relating to, medical cannabis dispensary system law. (\$\$) -- SB1064 SD2

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SB1065 SD2 (SSCR 840)

RELATING TO SKILLS-BASED HIRING.  
Introduced by: Aquino H

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Establishes provisions relating to bachelor's degree requirements for state employment; prohibition. Prohibits the State or any of its departments, agencies, or political subdivisions to require a bachelor's degree as a condition of eligibility for hire to a position in state or county employment. Prohibits this provision to apply if skills-based hiring is not a viable option because the knowledge, skills, or abilities required for the position for which an applicant is applying can only reasonably be obtained, as determined by the appointing authority, through a course of study in pursuit of, and culminating in the award of, a bachelor's degree. -- SB1065 SD2

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SB1074 SD2 (SSCR 1043)

### RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS.

Introduced by: Inouye L, Chang S, Hashimoto T

Establishes provisions relating to temporary continuation or authorized or permitted activities; challenge; exemption under the Environmental Impact Statements law. Allows, notwithstanding any law to the contrary, when an activity or operation previously permitted or authorized by a commercial entity is challenged as being subject to the requirements of this law, the activity or operation to continue for a period of 1 year pending the: determination of the appropriate agency that the activity or operation is subject to or exempt from the requirements of this law; and preparation and submission of an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement to the appropriate approving agency if it is determined that the activity or operation is subject to the requirements of this law; provided that the activity or operation shall continue to comply with regulatory requirements; provided further that the activity or operation shall not include construction, grading, dredging, or other structural modifications to land, waterways, or marine environments; provided further that the activity or operation may continue for an extended period at the discretion of the court. Allows, if an agency determines that an activity or operation previously authorized or permitted by a commercial entity is subject to the requirements of this law, a person with oversight of the activity or operation to renew the appropriate permits while under the environmental review process; provided that the activity or operation continues to comply with regulatory requirements. Defines previously permitted or authorized to mean permitted or authorized at the time of the challenge. -- SB1074 SD2

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SB1083 SD2 (SSCR 769)

### RELATING TO PORT INFRASTRUCTURE.

Introduced by: Inouye L

Establishes provisions relating to maintenance dredging of small boat harbors costs; inclusion in annual budget request. Requires, beginning with fiscal year 2027-2029 and each fiscal year thereafter, the department to include in its annual budget request line item funding for maintenance dredging at state small boat harbor facilities. Appropriation to the department of land and natural resources. (\$\$) -- SB1083 SD2

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SB1095 SD1 (SSCR 809)

### RELATING TO LICENSE PLATES.

Introduced by: Lee C

Amends provisions relating to special number plates; design and issuance by counties. Requires the director of finance of the city and county of Honolulu, in consultation with the directors of finance of the counties of Kauai, Maui, and Hawaii, to establish special design parameters and restrictions for decals or graphic representations affixable to special number plates; provided that the decal shall not be larger than 4 inches wide by 4 inches high. -- SB1095 SD1

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SB1096 SD1 (SSCR 897)

### RELATING TO LICENSE PLATES.

Introduced by: Lee C, Chang S, Elefante B, Gabbard M, Hashimoto T, McKelvey A, Rhoads K

Establishes provisions relating to license plate flipping devices; prohibited. Prohibits any person to operate a motor vehicle with, possess, purchase, install, sell, offer for sale, or otherwise distribute a license plate flipping device. Requires, notwithstanding any other provisions of this law, any person who violates this provision to be fined not more than 2,000 dollars for each separate violation. Defines license plate flipping device to mean

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a manual, electric, or mechanical device designed or adapted to be installed on a motor vehicle that: switches between 2 or more license plates for the purpose of allowing a motor vehicle operator to change the license plate displayed on the operator's motor vehicle; or hides a license plate from view by flipping the license plate so that the plate number is not visible. -- SB1096 SD1

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SB1099

### RELATING TO IMPORTANT AGRICULTURAL LANDS.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D

Amends provisions relating to designation of Important agricultural lands; adoption of important agricultural lands maps. Allows the land use commission to designate lands as important agricultural lands and adopt maps for a designation in any county that fails to identify and recommend important agricultural lands by December 31, 2027, subject to the process and criteria established in this provision. -- SB1099

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SB1100 SD2 (SSCR 887)

### RELATING TO BIOSECURITY.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D, Aquino H, Chang S, DeCoite L, Elefante B, Hashimoto T, Keohokalole J, Kidani M, Lee C, McKelvey A, Moriwaki S, Richards III H

Amends provisions relating to commercial hemp production; disposal of tuberculous animals; cooperation with federal authorities; grades, standards and classifications; changes; department; grades, standards and classifications; factors; department, rules and regulations, contracts, cooperation, fees; grading standards and regulations; cooperating with federal authority; findings and declaration of necessity; findings and declaration of necessity; identification of important agricultural lands; county process; participation in loans by the department; and exemptions. Renames the department of agriculture as the department of agriculture and biosecurity. -- Establishes provisions relating to deputy chairperson of biosecurity; established. Establishes within the department a deputy chairperson for biosecurity. Requires the deputy chairperson for biosecurity to oversee all of the State's biosecurity initiatives, including programs under animals, brands, and fences law; plant and non-domestic animal quarantine and microorganism import law; invasive species council; provisions relating to charges for inspection, etc.; and provisions relating to biosecurity, inspection, and cargo support facilities. Requires the deputy chairperson for biosecurity to be a deputy to the chairperson of the board of agriculture and biosecurity and be appointed by the governor.

-- Amends provisions relating to civil service and exemptions. -- Establishes provisions relating to biosecurity emergency response program established. Requires the chairperson to establish within the department a biosecurity emergency response program to; provide for the delivery of prompt services in the event of an emergency due to a breach of the State's biosecurity measures; provide for critical incident stress debriefing for biosecurity personnel; provide for immediate delivery of services to respond to a new organism introduced to the State; coordinate the use of other public and private resources or services for the immediate and long-term; biosecurity needs of the State; and advise state government and other personnel in the planning of and responses to biosecurity events and emergencies. -- Establishes provisions relating to volunteer emergency disaster response personnel. -- Establishes provisions relating to transitional facilities; uses; transitional facilities; established; transitional facility license; biosecurity inspector; license; biosecurity inspector; powers. -- Amends provisions relating to definitions under plant and non-domestic animal quarantine and microorganism import; conditions of importation, transporting in State; penalty; biosecurity program; charges; costs. -- Establishes provisions relating to government-industry agreements for readiness and response; invasive species dashboard; establishment; requirements; pest management plans. -- Amends provisions relating to establishment of council; duties; rules; plant care components; fumigation; treatment; certification; fees; restrictions. -- Transfers all rights, powers, functions, and duties of the invasive species council from the department of land and natural resources to the department of agriculture and biosecurity. -- Appropriation to the department of agriculture and biosecurity for the purposes of this Act. -- Appropriation to the department of agriculture and biosecurity for the implementation and performance of the plant care component program and for the establishment of \_\_\_\_ full time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE), permanent civil service plant quarantine inspector III positions and \_\_\_\_ full time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE), permanent civil service plant quarantine inspector IV positions within the department of agriculture and biosecurity, plant industry division, plant quarantine branch to effectuate this Act. --

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Appropriation to the department of agriculture and biosecurity for the continuation of the programs in Act 231, Session Laws of Hawaii 2024, including 44 full-time equivalent (44.0 FTE) positions.(\$\$) -- SB1100 SD2

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SB1102 SD2 (SSCR 1018)

RELATING TO THE AIRCRAFT RESCUE FIRE FIGHTING UNIT.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D, Chang S, Hashimoto T, Kidani M

Establishes provisions relating to state aircraft rescue fire fighting unit; chief; term limits. Requires each appointed chief of the aircraft rescue fire fighting unit of the airports division of the department of transportation to serve a term of 4 years. Prohibits any chief to be appointed to more than 3 terms. Requires the director of transportation to appoint the chief from a list of 3 qualified candidates submitted for consideration by the state fire council. -- SB1102 SD2

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SB1117 SD2 (SSCR 705)

RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

Introduced by: Lee C

Establishes provisions relating to definitions under energy resources law. Defines adaptive electric bicycle; electric bicycle; and electric micro-mobility device; and electric motorcycle. -- Amends provisions relating to electric bicycle and moped rebate program; 3rd party administrator; special fund by changing its title to electric mobility rebate program; 3rd party administrator; special fund. Amends the eligibility for the rebate program to include adaptive electric bicycles or electric micro-mobility devices; and increases the maximum rebate amounts. Prohibits individuals under the age of 15 from riding electric bicycles. Requires the department of transportation to provide an annual report to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session that shall detail the rebates provided by zip code, amount received, and type of rebate. (Report to the legislature). -- Amends provisions relating to highway development special fund. Amends the electric bicycle and electric moped subaccount by changing its title to electric mobility subaccount. -- Amends provisions relating to electric foot scooters. Requires persons under 18 years of age to wear a helmet while operating an electric foot scooter. -- Amends provisions relating to low speed electric bicycles; operator age by changing its title to electric bicycles; operator age; operation. Establishes safety operation requirements for electric bicycles. -- Amends provisions relating to riding on roadways and bikeways. Allows the use of electric bicycles on public sidewalks under certain conditions. -- Amends provisions relating to bicycle helmets. Requires persons under 18 to wear a helmet while operating a bicycle. -- Amends provisions relating to driving mopeds on bicycle lanes and paths; prohibited by changing its title to driving mopeds and electric motorcycles on bicycle lanes and paths; prohibited. Prohibits the operation of a moped or electric motorcycle on any roadway or path designated for bicycle use. -- Amends provisions relating to motorcycle, and motor scooter insurance by changing its title to motorcycle, electric motorcycle, and motor scooter insurance. Requires electric motorcycle drivers to obtain insurance policy coverage. -- Amends provisions relating to electric motorcycles and motor-driven cycles; operator age. Prohibits individuals under 18 years of age to operate an electric motorcycle or motor-driven cycle. -- Appropriation into and out of the highway development special fund electric mobility subaccount to the department of transportation for the operations of the electric mobility rebate program, including the payment of rebates and costs of the administrator; provided that the funds appropriated shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal year for which it was appropriated; provided further that any unencumbered funds remaining shall lapse on June 30, 2028. (\$\$) -- SB1117 SD2

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SB1120 SD1 (SSCR 238)

RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

Introduced by: Lee C, Chang S, Hashimoto T, McKelvey A, Rhoads K

Requires the department of transportation to adopt rules governing a clean fuel standard for alternative fuels in the state. Establishes rules for the department of transportation to adopt for governing a clean fuel standard for alternative fuels in the state. -- SB1120 SD1

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SB1133 SD2 (SSCR 894)

### RELATING TO HOUSING.

Introduced by: McKelvey A

Establishes provisions relating to county rental unit price ceiling; computation. Allows certain counties to establish by ordinance a rental unit price ceiling that prohibits a landlord from increasing the rental price of a dwelling unit at a rate that exceeds the percentage calculated and published by the county based on changes in the applicable consumer price index. Requires certain counties beginning on August 1, 2025, to annually calculate and publish the maximum rate at which a landlord may increase the rental price of a dwelling unit during the immediately succeeding 12 month period. -- Establishes provisions relating to long-term residential lease tax credit. Establishes a nonrefundable long-term residential lease tax credit for taxpayers who own or lease a dwelling unit in a county that has adopted a rental unit price ceiling ordinance to a person as the person's principal residence in the state pursuant to a lease agreement of a term of 1 year or longer. -- Requires the long-term residential tax credit to apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2025. Allows the tax credit to be carried forward for up to 3 taxable years. -- SB1133 SD2

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SB1137 SD1 (SSCR 720)

### RELATING TO INSURANCE.

Introduced by: McKelvey A, Chang S, Hashimoto T, Moriwaki S, Rhoads K, San Buenaventura J

Establishes provisions relating to rate changes; notification to policyholders under the insurance code. Provides that beginning January 1, 2026, insurers shall notify affected policyholders in writing of any rate changes approved by the commissioner. Requires the notification to be sent at least 30 days before the effective date of the rate change. Establishes penalties. -- SB1137 SD1

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House

Mar-06 25 Single Referral to CPC

SB1142 SD1 (SSCR 802)

### RELATING TO INSURANCE PROCEEDS.

Introduced by: McKelvey A, Chang S, Fukunaga C

Establishes provisions relating to disbursement of insurance proceeds; disclosure of mortgage interest rate; retention of communications. Provides that upon the request of a borrower, a mortgage servicer shall promptly disclose to the borrower the specific conditions under which the mortgage servicer will disburse insurance proceeds to the borrower if the residential real estate that is the subject of a mortgage is damaged or destroyed and an insurance company pays insurance proceeds to satisfy a claim associated with the damage or destruction. Allows a mortgage servicer to provide the information electronically. Defines rebuild plan and repair plan. -- SB1142 SD1

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House

Mar-06 25 Multiple Referral to CPC then FIN

SB1146 SD1 (SSCR 545)

### RELATING TO THE ALA WAI CANAL.

Introduced by: Moriwaki S, Chang S, Fevella K, Kidani M, McKelvey A

Appropriation to the university of Hawaii for the development of an action plan and pre engineering concept plan to help with debris management and water quality control in the Ala Wai watershed. Requires the university to establish 2 graduate assistant positions to assist with the action plan and pre engineering concept plan, and partial summer overload support for faculty mentors providing oversight of the student project teams. (\$\$) -- SB1146 SD1

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House

Mar-06 25 Multiple Referral to HED then WAL then FIN

SB1149 SD1 (SSCR 279)

### RELATING TO HATE CRIMES.

Introduced by: Lee C, Hashimoto T, Rhoads K

Amends provisions relating to definitions under Hawaii Criminal Justice Data Center; Civil Identification law. Defines reported hate crime to mean any reported incident, regardless of whether it results in criminal charges, where there is evidence or indication that bias or prejudice may have been a motivating factor. Redefines hate crime data to mean information, incident reports, records, and statistics relating to hate crimes and reported hate crimes, collected by the attorney general. -- Amends provisions relating to responsibility for system. Requires the department of the attorney general to be responsible for the collection, storage, dissemination, and analysis of all hate crime data and reported hate crimes from all agencies that have primary investigative, action, or



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program responsibility for adult or juvenile offenses, including the county police departments, the county prosecutors, the family courts, and the departments or agencies responsible for administering any correctional facilities. Requires the attorney general to develop the system and the procedures for reporting, inputting, accessing, and protecting the information concerning the commission of hate crimes and reported hate crimes and obtaining the agreement of agencies permitted to directly input and access information.

-- Amends provisions relating to responsibility of agencies by changing its title to responsibility of agencies; law enforcement training. Requires agencies that have investigative, detention, custodial, adjudicative, or program responsibility for adult or juvenile offenses to cooperate with the attorney general in establishing the hate crime reporting system by: providing information in the agency files that can be included pursuant to the format approved by the attorney general; provided that the information shall include the following: the nature of the offense, including specific evidence or indicators of bias; the demographic information of the victim or victims and suspect or suspects, if known; the location and date of the incident; the status of the investigation and any resulting criminal charges or resolutions; and any other information deemed necessary by the attorney general. Requires law enforcement officers to receive annual training to identify, investigate, and document hate crimes and possible hate crimes, including guidance on recognizing bias indicators and interacting with impacted communities. Allows failure to comply with the reporting requirements of this provision to result in administrative penalties as determined by the attorney general. -- SB1149 SD1

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB1160 SD2 (SSCR 898)

RELATING TO CONSUMER PROTECTION.

Introduced by: Lee C, Rhoads K, San Buenaventura J

Establishes provisions relating to event ticket sales; price scalping prohibited; exception. Provides that it shall be unlawful for any person to sell or offer for sale event tickets for any event held in the state at a price greater than the original price as charged by the primary venue ticket provider. Prohibits this provision to apply to a charitable organization, as defined in provision under solicitation of funds from the public law, or its employees and volunteers for event tickets resold or offered for resale through a raffle, auction, or similar fundraising activity for the benefit of a charitable organization's charitable purposes. Defines primary venue ticket provider to mean an owner or operator of a venue or sports team, manager or provider of an event, event promoter, a provider of ticketing services or an agent of the owner, operator, manager, or provider, that engages in the primary sale of event tickets or retains the authority to otherwise distribute tickets. -- Repeals provision relating to ticket brokers; fees; cancellation. -- SB1160 SD2

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SB1166 SD2 (SSCR 888)

RELATING TO INSURANCE.

Introduced by: Lee C

Establishes provisions relating to civil liability of responsible parties under insurance code law. Allows the hawaii property insurance association to file and litigate subrogation claims against responsible parties for claims paid by the insurer for losses resulting from climate disasters and extreme weather attributable to climate change. -- Amends provisions relating to making of rates; plan of operation. Allows insurers and injured parties to file claims against a responsible party for damages resulting from climate disasters; extreme weather attributable to climate change; and other long-term changes in the climate system. Requires insurance rates to consider any proceeds recovered from subrogation or civil claims against a responsible party. -- SB1166 SD2

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SB1170 SD2 (SSCR 997)

RELATING TO THE EXPEDITIOUS REDEVELOPMENT AND DEVELOPMENT OF AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING.

Introduced by: McKelvey A, Chang S, Hashimoto T

Allows the director of planning to issue a special management area use permit to an applicant to redevelop permanent affordable multi-family rental housing that has been substantially destroyed as a result of a disaster declared by the governor or a mayor as a state of emergency or local state of emergency under emergency management law to develop mixed-use permanent affordable multi-family rental housing on state-owned lands and lands related to the recovery of a disaster. Requires the department of

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planning to file a notice of the issuance of any special management area use permit in the next available issue of the periodic bulletin of the office of planning and sustainable development. Requires special management area use permits to be exempt from rules on districts as designated in the national register or hawaii register pursuant to environmental impact statements law. -- SB1170 SD2

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### SB1185 SD1 (SSCR 301)

#### RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

Introduced by: Gabbard M, Aquino H, Fevella K, McKelvey A, Rhoads K, San Buenaventura J

Establishes a working group within the department of agriculture to review and make recommendations on amending or repealing unnecessary or obsolete laws pertaining to agriculture. Establishes criteria for the working group. Requires the working group to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, regarding its review of unnecessary or obsolete laws pertaining to agriculture no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026. (Report to the legislature). Requires the working group to cease to exist on June 30, 2026 (sunset). -- Appropriation to the department of agriculture for the working group established pursuant to this Act. (\$\$) -- SB1185 SD1

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### SB1186 SD2 (SSCR 687)

#### RELATING TO SUSTAINABLE FOOD SYSTEMS.

Introduced by: Gabbard M, Aquino H, McKelvey A

Establishes the interagency food systems coordination. Establishes within the corporation the statewide interagency food systems coordination team. Requires the interagency food systems coordination team to coordinate and oversee the interagency food systems working group established under this provision and develop a process to implement interagency food systems plans and actions. -- Establishes provisions relating to Interagency food systems working group. Requires the interagency food systems working group to: develop governance, decision-making, and operating protocols; coordinate with county and community-led organizations that are involved with food systems planning; identify resources to support interagency food systems coordination and implementation efforts; develop internal and external communication processes; create time-bound implementation plans and ways to measure progress toward statewide food systems goals; and utilize policy impact analysis tools to evaluate proposed actions. Requires the interagency food systems working group to submit a report of its activities and any recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session. Requires the department of business, economic development, and tourism to provide any necessary administrative support to the statewide interagency food systems coordination team and the interagency food systems working group established under this provision. (Report to Legislature) -- SB1186 SD2

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### SB1195 SD1 (SSCR 261)

#### RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

Introduced by: Lee C

Establishes provisions relating to street parking restrictions. Requires no vehicle parking abutting the curb or edge of a vehicle travel way to be allowed within 20 feet of a crosswalk or intersection. Allows the prohibition on parking within 20 feet of a crosswalk or intersection pursuant to this provision to be enforced regardless of the presence or absence of official signs or curb markings. -- Amends provisions relating to noncompliance with stopping, standing, or parking requirements. Requires the director of transportation, the counties, and owners of private highways, with the consent of the county official responsible for traffic control with respect to highways under their respective jurisdictions shall place signs or curb markings that are clearly visible to an ordinarily observant person prohibiting or restricting the stopping, standing, or parking of vehicles on the highway; provided that any sign or curb marking shall not be required to restrict parking within 20 feet of a crosswalk or intersection in accordance with statewide traffic code law. Requires the signs or curb markings to be official signs and markings and no person shall stop, stand, or park any vehicle in violation of the restrictions stated on the signs or markings. -- SB1195 SD1

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SB1197 SD1 (SSCR 488)

### RELATING TO AIRCRAFT.

Introduced by: Lee C, Hashimoto T, Rhoads K

Amends provisions relating to rules, standards under Transportation and Utilities law. Requires the director of transportation to adopt rules to regulate tour aircraft operations by permit, which shall include but not be limited to: verification that the applicant has in effect aircraft liability insurance coverage of not less than \$\_\_\_\_\_ per person per incident, that covers at a minimum: bodily injury and death; and loss and damage to property. -- SB1197 SD1

Current Status: Mar-04 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB1202

### RELATING TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE.

Introduced by: Kim D, Aquino H, Chang S, Fevella K, Hashimoto T, Kidani M, McKelvey A, Rhoads K, San Buenaventura J

Amends provisions relating to campaign funds only used for certain purposes. Allows campaign funds to be used for a candidate's child care and vital household dependent care costs under certain conditions. -- SB1202

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB1212 SD1 (SSCR 801)

### RELATING TO THE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION.

Introduced by: Keohokalole J, Chang S, Fukunaga C

Amends provisions relating to commission, appointments, qualifications, tenure under Real Estate Brokers and Salespersons law. Requires there to be appointed a commission to be known as the real estate commission, to consist of 11 members, at least 4 of whom shall be licensed real estate brokers who have been engaged in business as licensed real estate brokers or salespersons for 3 years immediately preceding their appointments. Requires at least 2 members to be licensed professional engineers or architects who have been engaged in business as a licensed professional engineers or architects in the State for 3 years immediately preceding their appointments. Requires all members to be a citizen of the US and shall have resided in the State for at least 3 years preceding appointment, and 1 of whom shall be designated by the appointing power as chairperson. -- SB1212 SD1

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SB1216 SD1 (SSCR 484)

### RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

Introduced by: Moriwaki S

Amends provisions relating to certificates of inspection under highway safety law. Upon application for a certificate of inspection to be issued for a vehicle or moped, an inspection as prescribed by the director of transportation under this provision shall be conducted on the vehicle or moped. Provides that if the vehicle or moped is found to be in a safe operating condition, including adhering to head lamp requirements and specifications pursuant to provisions relating to lights for motor vehicles, motorcycles, motor scooters, motorized bicycles, as applicable, and is not equipped with a muffler or exhaust system that fails to comply with provisions relating to motorcycles and mopeds, noisy mufflers; penalty or provisions relating to motor vehicle muffler, as applicable, a certificate of inspection shall be issued upon payment of a fee to be determined by the director. -- Amends provisions relating to permits to operate official inspection stations. Requires a permit for an official inspection station to be suspended or revoked, or renewal thereof shall be refused by the director, upon a 3rd or subsequent wilful violation within a period of 18 months of any rule requiring an official inspection station to ensure a motorcycle, moped, or motor vehicle is not equipped with a muffler or exhaust system that fails to comply with these provisions. -- Amends provisions relating to motorcycles and mopeds, noisy mufflers; penalty under traffic violations law. Requires whoever violates these provisions to be guilty of a petty misdemeanor and shall be fined not more than \_\_\_\_\_ dollars. -- Amends provisions relating to motor vehicle muffler. Prohibits a person to use on a public highway, sell, offer for sale, alter or install a muffler, including but not limited to a cut-out, bypass, or similar device, that will noticeably increase the noise emitted by a motor vehicle above that emitted by the vehicle as equipped from the factory. -- Amends provisions relating to prohibited practices under regulation of motor vehicles repair law. Requires the following acts or omissions related to the repair of motor vehicles to be grounds for invoking the enforcement procedures of provisions

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relating to enforcement such as repairing or installing a muffler or exhaust system that fails to comply with provisions relating to motorcycles and mopeds, noisy mufflers; penalty and motor vehicle muffler under traffic violations law as applicable. -- SB1216 SD1

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SB1220 SD2 (SSCR 835)

RELATING TO RENEWABLE GAS TARIFF.

Introduced by: Wakai G, Chang S

Establishes provisions relating to renewable gas tariff. Requires, no later than August 31, 2025, each gas utility in the State to file a proposed initial renewable gas tariff or tariffs with the public utilities commission by August 31, 2025, to establish appropriate and reasonable rates for renewable gas for customers who choose to receive service under a renewable gas tariff. Requires, if the public utilities commission finds that the tariff or tariffs are just, reasonable, and in the public interest, the commission to establish an initial or revised renewable gas tariff or tariffs no later than 9 months after the filing of a completed application for a proposed renewable gas tariff, the completeness of which shall be determined by the public utilities commission no later than 30 days after the application is filed; provided that the renewable gas tariff shall not increase rates for other customers; provided further that all filings shall be in accordance with the Hawaii Administrative Rules. Requires the renewable gas tariff to be based on the eligible customer's net therm usage and as determined by the public utilities commission. -- Defines net therm usage to mean the amount of gas a customer uses during a monthly billing period, as measured in therm units. Defines renewable gas to mean gas produced from non-petroleum feedstock, as defined in gas utility companies; renewable energy; reporting requirements for use by a gas utility in the State, or as otherwise defined by the public utilities commission by rule or order. Defines renewable gas tariff to mean a tariff approved by the public utilities commission that allows a gas utility customer to voluntarily purchase renewable gas from a gas utility company. -- SB1220 SD2

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SB1221 SD2 (SSCR 925)

RELATING TO STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS.

Introduced by: Wakai G, Aquino H, Chang S

Establishes rainwater retention pond and detention pond safety law. -- Establishes provisions relating to retention pond and detention pond; safety requirements. -- Establishes provisions relating to retention pond and detention pond; maintenance; inspection. Requires the department of health to establish a retention pond and detention pond monitoring and inspection program to perform an annual safety inspection of each retention pond and detention pond in the state. Establishes certain safety inspection criteria. -- Establishes provisions relating to retention ponds and detention ponds; county; prohibited; maintenance. Prohibits counties to permit or allow any retention pond or detention pond to be constructed within that county unless specified safety requirements are met. -- Requires the department of land and natural resources to conduct a survey of all existing retention and detention ponds statewide and submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026. (Report to the legislature). -- Appropriation to the department of land and natural resources to establish 2 full-time equivalent (2.0 FTE) positions within the department of land and natural resources for the purposes of this Act. -- (\$\$) -- SB1221 SD2

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SB1225

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE XVII, SECTION 3 OF THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION TO SPECIFY THAT THE STANDARD FOR VOTER APPROVAL OF A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT PROPOSED BY THE LEGISLATURE IS A MAJORITY OF ALL THE VOTES TALLIED UPON THE QUESTION.

Introduced by: Rhoads K, Chang S, Fukunaga C, Gabbard M

Proposes to amend the constitution. Amends provisions relating to amendments proposed by the legislature. Requires the proposed amendments to be effective only if approved at a general election by a majority of all the votes tallied upon the question. -- SB1225

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SB1229 SD2 (SSCR 770)

RELATING TO THE DWELLING UNIT REVOLVING FUND.

Introduced by: Hashimoto T, Chang S, Fevella K, Kanuha D, McKelvey A  
Amends provisions relating to dwelling unit revolving fund. -- Amends Act 92, Session Laws of Hawaii 2023, relating to the dwelling unit revolving fund. Amends the sunset date of the dwelling unit revolving fund equity pilot program to June 30, 2030. Requires the hawaii housing finance and development corporation to give preference to for-sale housing development projects that are developed under any government assistance program approved by the corporation under provisions relating to exemption from general excise taxes. -- SB1229 SD2

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SB1230 SD2 (SSCR 742)

RELATING TO MEAT DONATION.

Introduced by: Hashimoto T

Establishes provisions relating to further exemptions; food donations; wild game. Prohibits this law to apply to the slaughtering of wild game or the preparation and transportation of the carcasses, parts thereof, and meat or meat products at establishments conducting these operations if the articles are wild game exclusively to be donated by a hunter for the use or distribution by a charitable, religious, or nonprofit organization to needy persons pursuant to donation of food law; provided that the wild game shall not be combined with a meat food product regulated under the Federal Meat Inspection Act, title 21 United States Code provision 601 et seq., or a poultry product regulated under the federal Poultry Products Inspection Act, title 21 United States Code provision 451 et seq.; provided further that the transportation of wild game is limited to moving the wild game to and from the premises where the hunter killed the wild game, the processing establishment, and the charitable, religious, or nonprofit organization. Defines wild game to mean a member of a species of game not indigenous to the state, including axis deer. Defines wild game to include carcasses, parts thereof, and meat or meat products derived from wild game. -- Amends provisions relating to reserving the state's authority to regulate, inspect, or ban the use of donated food. Establishes that notwithstanding provision relating to Hawaii Meat Inspection Act, nothing in this law is intended to restrict the authority of the department of health or the department of agriculture to regulate, inspect, or ban the use of donated foods for human consumption. -- Amends provisions relating to exemptions. Provides that transportation by commercial carrier of carcasses, parts thereof, or meat or meat products produced without inspection under this provision is prohibited, except under permit issued by the board and under Hawaii meat inspection act law. -- Amends provisions relating to prohibitions. Provides that notwithstanding Hawaii meat inspection act law, the preparation, sale, offering for sale, or transportation or receipt for transportation in intrastate commerce of meat and meat products derived from exotic animals, unless inspected and passed as provided for under this part, is prohibited. Requires violators to be subject to all requirements and penalties of this law. -- SB1230 SD2

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SB1231 SD1 (SSCR 881)

RELATING TO PARENTAGE.

Introduced by: Hashimoto T

Establishes the uniform parentage act. -- Amends provisions relating to department of corrections and rehabilitation; evidentiary character of certificates; late or altered certificates; children born to parents not married to each other; to child born to parents not married to each other; child conceived by assisted reproduction other than a child born to gestational carrier by changing its title to individual conceived by assisted reproduction but not born to gestational or genetic surrogate; child born to gestational carrier by changing its title to individual born to gestational or genetic surrogate; jurisdiction; adults; modification of decree, rehearing; child support order, judgment, or decree; accident and health or sickness insurance coverage; records; support order, decree, judgment, or acknowledgment; social security number; appointment of counsel and guardian ad litem; compensation; application; children born to parents not married to each other; establishment of support order; proceeding to determine parentage; attorney general; powers; support orders; division of property; surcharge for parent education for separating parties in matrimonial actions, where either party has a minor child, and for parties in parentage actions; special fund; presumption of notice and service of process in child support cases. -- Repeals the uniform parentage act of 1973 law. Updates laws relating to parentage, including enacting portions of the uniform parentage act of 2017. -- SB1231 SD1

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SB1232 SD2 (SSCR 771)

### RELATING TO WASTEWATER SYSTEMS.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D

Establishes a 3-year new wastewater technology testing pilot program within the university of Hawaii water resources research center. Requires the university of Hawaii water resources research center to coordinate with the university of Hawaii sea grant college program, university of Hawaii college of engineering, department of health, department of Hawaiian home lands. Requires the university of Hawaii water resources research center to submit an interim report to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular sessions of 2026 and 2027, and a final report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2028. Requires the reports to provide in detail: information on the new wastewater technology systems reviewed and tested, including test results; recommendations on how to improve the efficiency of the pilot program; recommendations on whether the pilot program should be made permanent; and any other recommendations that the university of Hawaii water resources research center deems appropriate. Requires the new wastewater technology testing pilot program to cease to exist on June 30, 2028. (Sunset) -- Appropriation to the university of Hawaii for the implementation of the new wastewater technology testing pilot program. (Report to Legislature) (\$\$) -- SB1232 SD2

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SB1234 SD2 (SSCR 910)

### RELATING TO GOVERNMENTAL EFFICIENCY.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D

Establishes provisions relating to intergovernmental agreements and partnerships. Allows a department or agency established under this law to enter into: intergovernmental agreements with other governmental bodies; or partnership agreements with private-sector entities, including nonprofit organizations, to achieve statutorily mandated goals. Requires each intergovernmental or partnership agreement to: be consistent with the statutory mandates of the department or agency; promote public benefits and align with state policy goals; ensure transparency, accountability, and compliance with Hawaii public procurement code; and be reviewed and approved as to form and legality by the attorney general. Requires each department or agency to submit to the legislature a report on the intergovernmental and partnership agreements entered into by the department or agency no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session (report to the legislature). Requires the report to detail the scope, purpose, and outcome of each intergovernmental and partnership agreement entered into by the department or agency. -- SB1234 SD2

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SB1245 SD2 (SSCR 900)

### RELATING TO PHARMACISTS.

Introduced by: San Buenaventura J

Establishes provisions relating to services provided by participating registered pharmacists; coverage; under the insurance code law and benefit societies law; federally qualified health center or rural health clinic visit; medical care payments; coverage for telehealth; and required provisions and benefits. Requires each policy of accident and health or sickness insurance, or hospital or medical service plan contract issued in the state beginning on or after July 1, 2026 to include coverage for care provided by a participating registered pharmacist. Requires health plans to recognize pharmacists licensed in the state as participating providers. -- SB1245 SD2

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SB1249 SD1 (SSCR 469)

### RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

Introduced by: Richards III H, Chang S, Gabbard M, Kanuha D, McKelvey A

Establishes provisions relating to agricultural crime prevention program. Establishes provisions relating to agricultural crime prevention special fund; established. Allows the department of agriculture to use the moneys in the special fund to carry out the purposes of this provision, including for the implementation and administration of the agricultural crime prevention program. -- Establishes provisions relating to agricultural crime prevention program; established. Requires the department of agriculture to establish an

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agricultural crime prevention program for the purpose of providing grants to agricultural property owners to deter, prevent, and prosecute agricultural crimes. Allows the department of agriculture to provide grants to assist agricultural property owners with procuring signage, cameras, fencing, and other protective or surveillance equipment; provide signage, cameras, fencing, and other protective or surveillance equipment directly to agricultural property owners; provide grants to assist community-based organizations or law enforcement agencies to develop, implement, and support programs for deterring or preventing, and where appropriate, investigating or prosecuting agricultural crimes; provide staff, administration, and related support required to administer this part; enter into agreements that set forth terms and conditions of the grants, accept funds or grants, and cooperate with private entities and state or county agencies to carry out the purposes of this part; establish, determine, charge, and collect any premiums, fees, charges, costs, and expenses, including application fees, commitment fees, program fees, financing charges, or publication fees in connection with its activities under this part; take whatever actions are necessary or appropriate to protect the State's interest in the event of bankruptcy, default, foreclosure, or noncompliance with the terms and conditions of grants provided under this part, including the ability to recapture funds if the grant recipient is found to be noncompliant with the terms and conditions of the grant agreement; establish application, notification, contract, and other forms and procedures deemed necessary and appropriate; utilize vendors or contract work to carry out the purposes of this part; and take any other action that is consistent with the intent of this part. -- Clarifies, creates, and strengthens laws regarding crimes and violations related to agriculture or agricultural lands and hunting on private agricultural lands. Establishes clear distinctions between administrative and criminal penalties. -- Appropriation to the department of agriculture for the hiring of necessary staff, including; \_\_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_\_ FTE) grant chief positions, to assist with the awarding of grants; \_\_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_\_ FTE) supervising brand inspector positions; and \_\_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_\_ FTE) brand inspector positions for each county. (\$\$) -- SB1249 SD1

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### SB1250 SD1 (SSCR 161)

#### RELATING TO FARM TO FAMILIES.

Introduced by: Richards III H, Aquino H, Chang S, Gabbard M, McKelvey A  
Establishes provisions relating to Hawaii farm to families program law. Establishes that the Hawaii farm to families to be administered by the department. Requires under the program, the department to relieve food shortages by providing funds to food banks located in the state to facilitate consistent supply chains of fresh, Hawaii-grown or -produced food to food insecure communities. Provides that food banks that receive support pursuant to this provision shall use the funds to purchase, store, and transport fresh, Hawaii-grown or -produced food in the state at no cost to recipients. Requires the department to adopt rules pursuant to administrative procedure law necessary for the purposes of this part. Requires the department of agriculture to submit a report to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular sessions of 2026 and 2027 that contains a summary of the activities of the Hawaii farm to families program established under provision 2 of this act, including: the amount of funds expended by the program; food banks participating in the program, itemized by county; amount of food purchased and distributed by volume and dollar value; category of food purchased (e.g., beef, pork, spinach, onions, etc.) and their island origin (e.g. Hawaii, Maui, Molokai, etc.) by volume and dollar value; and any other findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation. -- Appropriation to the department of agriculture for the Hawaii farm to families program. (Report to Legislature) (\$\$) -- SB1250 SD1

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### SB1252 SD2 (SSCR 1068)

#### RELATING TO DEMENTIA.

Introduced by: Kim D, Aquino H, Chang S, DeCoite L, Elefante B, Fevella K, Hashimoto T, Rhoads K, Richards III H  
Establishes provisions relating to patients having Alzheimer's disease; care training program. Requires the board of regents to establish a specialized training program to educate health care providers on caring for patients having Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia. -- Appropriation to the University of Hawaii for the university of Hawaii board of regents to establish a specialized training program to educate health care providers on methods to best care for patients having Alzheimer's disease and other forms of dementia. (\$\$) -- SB1252 SD2

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SB1257 SD1 (SSCR 459)

### RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL CRIME.

Introduced by: Gabbard M

Establishes the agricultural crimes task force to be placed in the department of agriculture for administrative purposes. Requires the task force to develop strategies to prevent agricultural crimes; coordinate with local law enforcement to enhance responses to reports of agricultural crime; coordinate with state and county prosecutors to develop methods to prioritize the prosecution of agricultural crimes to the fullest extent of the law; recommend legislation to address gaps in existing law relating to agricultural crime; facilitate education and outreach programs for farmers on crime prevention; and monitor and report on the effectiveness of any policies and programs implemented. Requires the members of the agricultural crimes task force to serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for reasonable expenses necessary for the performance of their duties, including travel expenses. Requires the agricultural crimes task force to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session. -- Established provisions relating to agricultural crime. Provides that a person commits the offense of agricultural crime if the person: is on agricultural property and: commits a property crime; violates hunting on private lands prohibited or night hunting on private lands; prohibition; or commits the offense of negligent failure to control a dangerous dog under negligent failure to control a dangerous dog; penalties; or is the parent or legal guardian of a minor who violates this provision. Provides that a person commits a property crime if the person engages in conduct that constitutes an offense under this chapter. Establishes that the person has committed a property crime by either the prosecution proving that the person is guilty of, or by the person pleading guilty or no contest to, committing any offense under this law. -- Defines agricultural property to mean farming assets used for agricultural production, including but not limited to land, buildings, equipment, livestock, and crops. Defines minor to mean any person under the age of 18 years. Provides that agricultural crime is a class C felony. Requires, for a conviction under this provision, the sentence to be either: for a 1st offense, a fine of not more than 2,000 dollars or imprisonment for not more than 1 year, or both; or for a 2nd or subsequent offense, a fine of at least 10,000 dollars or imprisonment for not more than 5 years, or both. Requires, in addition to any other penalties, any person who is convicted of a violation of this provision to be ordered to make restitution to the owner of the agricultural property for any damages or losses incurred due to the violation. -- Appropriation to the department of agriculture for the operational costs of the agricultural crimes task force, including but not limited to the hiring of necessary staff, equipment, and educational outreach. -- SB1257 SD1

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SB1263 SD2 (SSCR 904)

### RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION.

Introduced by: Chang S

Amends provisions relating to review of effect of proposed state projects; privately owned historic property; and review of proposed projects under historic preservation law. Establishes a process to expedite the review of residential transit-oriented development on certain parcels within county-designated transit oriented development zones that have a low risk of affecting historically significant resources. Allows the lead agencies, or officer of the state to make determinations on the potential effects of a project. Establishes a 90 calendar day limit for the department of land and natural resources to concur or not concur with project effect determinations. Establishes certain requirements for the notification and submission of projects under historic preservation law. Provides that projects with written concurrence are exempt from further review unless there is a significant change to the project or additional historic properties, aviation artifacts, or burial sites are identified within the project area under certain conditions. Requires community development districts and state or county housing projects to undergo a programmatic review. -- SB1263 SD2

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SB1269 SD1 (SSCR 394)

### RELATING TO GEOTHERMAL RESOURCES.

Introduced by: Inouye L

Appropriation to the department of business, economic development, and tourism for the



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continued exploration and identification of geothermal resources and commercial viability for utility scale geothermal production in counties with a population of less than 300,000. (\$\$) -- SB1269 SD1

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SB1276 SD1 (SSCR 381)

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

Introduced by: Kanuha D, Chang S, Kidani M

Amends provisions relating to false labeling of Hawaii-grown coffee. Provides that a person commits the offense of false labeling of Hawaii grown coffee if the person knowingly transports, distributes, advertises, sells, or possesses with the intent to sell Hawaii-grown green coffee, coffee cherry, parchment coffee, or roasted coffee that is falsely labeled with regard to the geographic origin of the Hawaii-grown coffee. Defines roasted coffee to mean the product that results from heating the coffee cherry seeds to augment aroma and flavor. Requires, in addition to any penalties imposed pursuant to authorized disposition of convicted defendants, the court to impose on any defendant convicted of false labeling of Hawaii-grown coffee a mandatory fine of 10,000 dollars for each separate offense. Prohibits the mandatory fine imposed to be suspended or waived. -- SB1276 SD1

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SB1278 SD1 (SSCR 676)

RELATING TO THE GENERAL EXCISE TAX.

Introduced by: Aquino H, Fevella K, Kidani M, Wakai G

Prohibits any grants received from the federal restaurant revitalization fund by an eligible business pursuant to the american rescue plan act of 2021 to be subject to state general excise tax. Requires any state general excise tax paid by eligible businesses for grants received from the federal restaurant revitalization fund to be refunded to the tax payer. Requires this Act to take effect on July 1, 2050, and apply retroactively to March 11, 2021 (sunset). -- SB1278 SD1

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SB1279 SD2 (SSCR 741)

RELATING TO PHARMACISTS.

Introduced by: Aquino H, Chang S, Fevella K, Gabbard M, San Buenaventura J

Establishes provisions relating to telepharmacy; limited authorization for medically underserved patients; and pharmacist in charge; pharmacy personnel under pharmacists and pharmacy law. Allows a registered pharmacist who is under contract with a covered entity for purposes of the federal 340B drug pricing program to oversee the filling or receipt of a prescription for sale or distribution via telehealth under certain circumstances. -- SB1279 SD2

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SB1281 SD2 (SSCR 899)

RELATING TO TELEHEALTH.

Introduced by: Aquino H, Chang S, Fevella K, Gabbard M, McKelvey A

Amends provisions relating to coverage for telehealth under the department of human services. Repeals provision that requires that reimbursement for the diagnosis, evaluation, or treatment of a mental health disorder delivered through an interactive telecommunications system using 2 way, real-time audio-only communication technology to meet the requirements of title 42 Code of Federal Regulations section 410.78. Repeals provision that requires a health care provider to be physically present with the patient at an originating site unless a health care provider at the distant site deems it necessary. -- Redefines interactive telecommunications system. -- Amends provisions relating to annual report. Requires the commissioner, as early each year as accurate preparation enables, to prepare and submit to the legislature a report that shall contain a summary of the telehealth claims reimbursed during the preceding year, pursuant to Act \_\_\_\_, Session Laws of Hawaii 2025. -- Amends provisions relating to coverage for telehealth under the insurance code and health maintenance organization act; and practice of telehealth. -- Amends Act 107, session laws of 2023, relating to telehealth. Repeals sunset date. -- SB1281 SD2

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SB1285 SD2 (SSCR 1059)

RELATING TO HIGHWAY SAFETY.

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Introduced by: Lee C, Rhoads K

Establishes provisions relating to operating a vehicle while impaired. Establishes penalties for committing the offense of operating a vehicle while impaired. -- Amends provisions relating to notice of administrative revocation; contents; administrative review; procedures; decision; administrative hearing; procedure; decision; and effective date, conditions, and period of administrative revocation; criteria. Establishes a process to automatically suspend the license of a person arrested for operating a vehicle while impaired. Allows a person whose license is automatically suspended for driving under the influence to contest the suspension. -- Requires the department of the attorney general to submit a report to the legislature no later than 30 days prior to the convening of the regular sessions of 2026, 2027, and 2028. (Report to the legislature). -- SB1285 SD2

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SB1287 SD2 (SSCR 847)

RELATING TO TRANSPARENCY.

Introduced by: Lee C

Establishes provisions relating to tip allocation transparency; disclosure. Requires, in addition to the notification requirements provided in notification, posting, and records, each food, beverage, and service establishment that accepts tips and employs an employee subject to title 29 Code of Federal Regulations section 531.50 et seq. or a tipped employee as defined in definitions under Wage and Hour law, to post: a reasonably noticeable and easily readable sign with a simple and understandable explanation of how tips are allocated, which employee positions receive tips, and the percentages or proportions of tips allocated to each position in physical locations, including brick and mortar premises, mobile vehicle, or other temporary sites of business; at each point of customer check-in, check-out, final transaction; or an otherwise publicly visible location where customers are reasonably expected to pay for their purchase or service. -- Requires the sign posted pursuant to this provision to include 1 of the following statements or a substantially similar statement: Tips are kept entirely by each employee to whom they are left or given; Tips are aggregated and divided equally among all employees legally allowed to receive tips from tip pools; or Tips are aggregated and allocated as follows: 1/3 is divided among all drivers; 1/3 is divided among all servers; and 1/3 is divided among all the kitchen staff; and a reasonably noticeable and easily readable sign with: the same text in the sign posted pursuant to this provision; and the following statement or a substantially similar statement: Federal and State laws require ALL tips received by this establishment to be directly distributed to employees. For questions or to report violations, contact the Wage and Hour Division of the U.S. Department of Labor at 1 866-487-9243, or the Wage Standards Division of the Hawaii Department of Labor and Industrial Relations at: 808-586-8777 for the city and county of Honolulu; 808-274-3351 for the county of Kauai; 808-984-2076 or 808-984-2075 for the county of Maui; and 808-974-6464 for the county of Hawaii., in each physical location where other legally required notices for employees are posted. -- Provides that in addition to the remedies available under employees remedies, any employer who fails or refuses to post a clear and accessible notice of the tip allocation required under this provision shall be liable to the employee for back wages and penalties for back wages in the amount that the employee should have earned if all tips had been paid directly to the employee. Allows action by an employee to recover unpaid wages, including back wages and unpaid tips, to be maintained in any court of competent jurisdiction by any 1 or more employees for and on behalf of oneself or themselves, or the employee or employees may designate an agent or representative to maintain the action. Requires the court in any action brought under this provision to, in addition to any judgment awarded to the plaintiff or plaintiffs, award back wages in the amount that an employee should have earned if all tips had been paid directly to the employee by the employer. -- SB1287 SD2

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SB1291 SD1 (SSCR 797)

RELATING TO CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS.

Introduced by: Keohokalole J

Amends provisions relating to license of certified public accountant. Establishes that a license and a permit are required to practice public accountancy. Allows the board to license and grant the designation of certified public accountant to any person who has met the following: completed 2 years of professional experience meeting the requirements in this provision. Requires the educational requirement for a license to include a baccalaureate degree conferred by a college or university recognized by the

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board with at least 18 semester hours of upper division or graduate level accounting or auditing subjects as determined by rules adopted by the board pursuant to administrative procedure law, and: completion of not less than 30 semester hours of study in addition to those semester hours required for a baccalaureate degree; provided that the content of the additional qualifying hours of study shall be determined by rules adopted by the board pursuant to administrative procedure law; or the applicant may demonstrate completion of an additional 12 months of professional experience in the practice of public accounting only; provided that this experience shall not be credited toward the experience requirements in this provision. Requires a person to be exempt from the requirements in this provision if that person: completed the required professional experience in public accountancy practice as defined in under public accountancy law. Completion of experience in private or government accounting or auditing work, deemed by the board to be equivalent to professional experience in public accountancy practice as defined under public accountancy law, may be substituted for all or part of the 2 years of professional experience in public accounting practice required in this provision. Requires the nature, variety, and depth of acceptable private or government accounting or auditing experience to be defined by the board in its rules. -- SB1291 SD1  
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SB1296 SD2 (SSCR 1019)

### RELATING TO DISASTER RECOVERY.

Introduced by: McKelvey A

Amends provisions relating to definitions. Redefines development to not include the following: repair and maintenance of underground utility lines, including but not limited to water, sewer, power, and telephone and minor appurtenant structures including pad mounted transformers and sewer pump stations; and reconstruction of any lawfully constructed structure that was damaged or destroyed in a disaster caused by wildfire, hurricane, flooding, tsunami, or earthquake proclaimed by the governor to constitute a state of emergency pursuant to emergency management law; provided that: the structure is not situated on a shoreline parcel or a parcel that is impacted by waves, storm surges, high tide, or shoreline erosion; reconstruction commences within 5 years from the date that the proclamation is issued; and the reconstructed structure shall be similar to its original footprint or overall dimensions that were existing or permitted and in compliance with the requirements of floodplain management standards. -- SB1296 SD2

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SB1298 SD2 (SSCR 848)

### RELATING TO RECYCLING.

Introduced by: DeCoite L, Gabbard M, Richards III H, Wakai G

Establishes provisions relating to manufacturer coordination under electronic device recycling and recovery act law. Allows a manufacturer, a group of manufacturers, or a coordinating body acting in accordance with this part may negotiate, enter into contracts with, collaborate, coordinate, or otherwise conduct business with each other and with any other entity developing, implementing, operating, participating in, or performing any other activities directly related to a plan to recycle covered electronic devices approved pursuant to this provision. Exempts the manufacturer, group of manufacturers, and any entity developing, implementing, operating, participating in, or performing any other activities related to a plan to recycle covered electronic devices approved pursuant to this part from being subject to damages, liability, or scrutiny under federal antitrust law or monopolies; restraint of trade law, regardless of the effects of their actions on competition. Allows the supervisory activities described in this part are sufficient to confirm that activities of the manufacturers, a group of manufacturers, and any entity developing, implementing, operating, participating in, or performing any other activities related to a manufacturer plan to recycle covered electronic devices that is approved are authorized and actively supervised by the State. -- Amends provisions relating to definitions under electronic device recycling and recovery act law; manufacturer responsibility. Requires a manufacturer to recycle or arrange for the recycling or reuse of any covered electronic device sold in the State. -- Amends provisions relating to manufacturer recycling goals. Requires the department to use the best available information to establish the weight of all covered electronic devices sold in the State, including the reports submitted pursuant to provisions relating to manufacturer reporting requirements, state and national sales data, and other reliable commercially available, supplemental sources of information. -- SB1298 SD2

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SB1300 SD1 (SSCR 96)	<p>RELATING TO SCHOOL MEALS.</p> <p>Introduced by: Kidani M, Aquino H, Elefante B, Fevella K, Gabbard M, Kim D, McKelvey A</p> <p>Requires the department of education to adopt administrative rules to provide a lower rate or free meals to students based on their economic need. -- Appropriation to the department of education for meal subsidies for students at department of education schools whose families are classified as asset limited, income constrained, employed (ALICE) households. (\$\$) -- SB1300 SD1</p> <p>Current Status: Feb-27 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House Feb-28 25 Multiple Referral to EDN then FIN</p>
SB1304 SD2 (SSCR 831)	<p>RELATING TO PESTICIDE DRIFT MONITORING.</p> <p>Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)</p> <p>Appropriation out of the pesticide use revolving fund to the department of agriculture for the continued monitoring of pesticide drift in schools statewide. Provided that the study shall comply with all applicable US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations. Report to the legislature. (\$\$) -- SB1304 SD2</p> <p>Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House Mar-06 25 Multiple Referral to AGR then FIN</p>
SB1310 SD1 (SSCR 818)	<p>RELATING TO CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS.</p> <p>Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)</p> <p>Amends provisions relating to criminal history record checks under attorney general law and hawaii criminal justice data center; civil identification law. Provides that contractors, contractor's employees, and subcontractors who have access to federal tax information held by the department of the attorney general may be subject to fingerprint-based background checks. -- SB1310 SD1</p> <p>Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House Mar-06 25 Single Referral to JHA</p>
SB1312 SD1 (SSCR 819)	<p>RELATING TO OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC HEALTH AND MORALS.</p> <p>Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)</p> <p>Amends provisions relating to definitions under child abuse law; definitions of child abuse under children's justice program law; prostitution under offenses against public health and morals law; commercial sexual exploitation; advancing prostitution; profiting from prostitution; definition of terms by changing its title to definition of terms in this provision. Redefines profits from prostitution to mean that the person knowingly accepts or receives money, anything of value, or other property pursuant to an agreement or understanding with a 3rd party whereby the person participates or is to participate in the proceeds of prostitution activity, regardless of whether the money, thing of value, or other property is accepted or received in excess of expenditures or as reimbursement or repayment of any debt. -- Amends provisions relating to sex trafficking; promoting prostitution; loitering for the purpose of engaging in or advancing prostitution; street prostitution and commercial sexual exploitation; designated areas; commercial sexual exploitation near schools or public parks; commercial sexual exploitation of a minor; definitions under registration of sex offenders and other covered offenders and public access to registration information law. -- SB1312 SD1</p> <p>Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House Mar-06 25 Multiple Referral to HSH then JHA</p>
SB1316 SD1 (SSCR 575)	<p>RELATING TO COURT-ORDERED PAYMENTS.</p> <p>Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)</p> <p>Amends provisions relating to collection of delinquent court-ordered payments. Requires the judiciary to contract with a collection agency bonded under collection agencies law or with a licensed attorney to collect any delinquent court-ordered fees, fines, sanctions, and court costs. -- Amends provisions relating to time and method of payment; consequences of nonpayment; imprisonment for contumacious nonpayment; summary collection. Provides that when a defendant is sentenced pursuant to provisions relating to authorized disposition of convicted defendants, granted a conditional discharge pursuant to provisions relating to conditional discharge, or granted a deferred plea pursuant to criminal procedure: deferred acceptance of guilty plea, nolo contendere plea law, and the defendant is ordered to pay a fee, fine, or restitution, whether as an independent order, as part of a judgment and sentence, or as a condition of probation or deferred plea, the court shall set a proof of compliance hearing for a defendant in district court. -- Amends provisions relating to duties and powers of probation officers; adult</p>

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probation records. -- Appropriation to the judiciary for the purposes of this Act, including the hiring of necessary staff. (\$\$) -- SB1316 SD1

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SB1318

RELATING TO WATER POLLUTION.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to violation of chapter or rules; penalty under ocean recreation and coastal areas programs law. Clarifies that enforcement of criminal water pollution offenses remains under the jurisdiction of the department of health, rather than the department of land and natural resources. -- SB1318

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SB1319 SD1 (SSCR 820)

RELATING TO IDENTIFICATION PROCESSING.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to purpose of the criminal justice data center. Requires the attorney general to select and enforce systems of identification, including fingerprinting, of all adults arrested for a criminal offense; all persons to whom penal summonses or citations have been issued for a criminal offense and who have been convicted or granted a deferred acceptance of guilty or nolo contendere plea or a conditional discharge; and without the necessity of a court order, children who are 12 years of age or older who come within jurisdiction; children and who are taken into custody for committing an act that, if committed by an adult, would be a felony, a misdemeanor, or a petty misdemeanor. Provides that notwithstanding any law to the contrary, upon the conviction of a person to whom a penal summons complaint or a citation has been issued for a criminal offense, or upon the granting of a deferred acceptance of a guilty or nolo contendere plea or a conditional discharge to such person, the court shall order the person to report, within 7 days, to the appropriate police department, sheriff's office, or other governmental agency for identification processing, including fingerprinting and photographing, as provided under this provision. -- SB1319 SD1

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SB1321 SD2 (SSCR 1060)

RELATING TO THE HAWAII CORRECTIONAL SYSTEM OVERSIGHT COMMISSION.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to oversight coordinator; appointment; term. Requires the oversight coordinator to serve a 4-year term. -- Amends provisions relating to studies and investigations; procedure. Allows the oversight coordinator to make inquiries and obtain information as the oversight coordinator thinks fit, enter without notice to inspect the premises of an agency or correctional facility, and, in an investigation, hold private hearings in accordance with Administrative Procedure law. -- SB1321 SD2

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SB1322 SD2 (SSCR 1020)

RELATING TO MENTAL HEALTH.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to emergency procedures under mental health, mental illness, drug addiction, and alcoholism law; emergency transportation initiated by a law enforcement officer; emergency transportation initiated by a court order; emergency transportation initiated by a health care provider; emergency examination; emergency hospitalization; notice of emergency transportation, examination, and hospitalization; voluntary admission; involuntary hospitalization; general provisions; records and disclosure of information. -- Amends provisions relating to definitions under mental health, mental illness, drug addiction, and alcoholism law; involuntary hospitalization criteria; initiation of proceeding for involuntary hospitalization; notice; waiver of notice; hearing on petition; waiver of hearing on petition for involuntary hospitalization; hearing on petition; notice of intent to discharge; discharge from custody; criteria for assisted community treatment; examination for assisted community treatment indication; definitions under provisions relating to assisted community treatment; initiation of proceeding for assisted community treatment; hearing date; notice; hearing on petition; disposition; failure to comply with assisted community treatment; period of assisted community treatment; notice of intent to discharge; criteria for issuance of court or administrative order for treatment over the patient's objection; criteria for administrative authorization process. -- Amends provisions relating to rights of in-patients under rights

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of recipients of mental health services law. -- Amends provisions relating to protective order; additional orders under domestic abuse protective orders law. -- Repeals provisions relating to emergency examination and hospitalization; notice of emergency transportation, examinations, and hospitalizations under mental health, mental illness, drug addiction, and alcoholism law. Clarifies and expands the circumstances and procedures available for emergency transportation, examination, and hospitalization under mental health, mental illness, drug addiction, and alcoholism law. Provides limits on liability for state and local governments and professionals during mental health emergency procedures while performing their duties in the course of employment. Expands the notice requirements for an emergency hospitalization to include an individual's health care surrogate and clarifies when notice to family members can be waived. Removes the authority of the family court to appoint a legal guardian in a proceeding for involuntary hospitalization. Removes the requirement that psychiatric facilities wait for a response on a notice of intent to discharge an involuntary hospitalization patient prior to discharge. Clarifies the circumstances under which a subject of an order for assisted community treatment can be administered medication over the subject's objection. Provides limits on liability for an assisted community treatment provider. Modifies the administrative authorization of medical treatment over the patient's objection to be reviewed by a single decision-maker who is a psychiatrist.

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SB1323 SD2 (SSCR 844)

RELATING TO HEALTH CARE.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Establishes the health care decisions law. -- Amends the department of health law; hospital discharge planning--designation of a caregiver law; medical and research use of bodies law; patients' bill of rights and responsibilities act; uniform probate code; medical torts law. -- Repeals the uniform health-care decisions act (modified) law and advance mental health care directives law. Adopts the Uniform Health-Care Decisions Act (2023) with amendments to replace the uniform health-care decisions act (modified) law and advance mental health care directives law. -- SB1323 SD2

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SB1324 SD2 (SSCR 989)

RELATING TO FIREWORKS.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Establishes the adjudication of fireworks infractions law. -- Amends the fireworks law; family courts law; and courts generally law. Amends multiple definitions and penalties for fireworks offenses, including heightened penalties if another person suffers substantial bodily injury, serious bodily injury, or death as a result of the fireworks offenses. Establishes criminal offenses of general fireworks or articles pyrotechnic prohibitions in the 1st and 2nd degree; sending or receiving fireworks or articles pyrotechnic by air delivery; distributing fireworks or articles pyrotechnic to non-permit holders; removal or extraction of pyrotechnic contents; consumer fireworks prohibitions; refusal to provide identification; and violating requirements of carrier. Establishes an adjudication system and procedures to process fireworks infractions. -- Appropriation to the judiciary to carry out the purposes of this Act, including to update the judiciary information management system to implement the adjudications process established by this Act. (\$\$) -- SB1324 SD2

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SB1337 SD1 (SSCR 217)

RELATING TO THE STADIUM AUTHORITY.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to stadium authority; appointment, terms. Establishes requirements for the stadium authority to establish a quorum to do business and validate acts of the stadium authority. -- SB1337 SD1

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SB1341

RELATING TO ENERGY INDUSTRY INFORMATION REPORTING.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to energy data collection program. Requires the department to establish the energy data collection program that includes development and

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maintenance of an energy database system that meets the requirements of government and industry, while promoting sound policy making, greenhouse gas emission inventory reporting, energy planning, energy assurance planning, energy security, critical infrastructure protection, and emergency management, response, and recovery. -- Amends provisions relating to confidential information. Provides that unless otherwise provides by law, with respect to the data that the commission or department obtained or was provided pursuant to this law, neither the commission or department nor any employee of the commission or department may permit any person other than the commission, the department of taxation, the attorney general, the consumer advocate, the department of business, economic development, and tourism, the department of health, the Hawaii emergency management agency, the office of homeland security, and the authorized representatives and employees of each to examine the individual reports or statements provided. -- SB1341

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SB1343 SD1 (SSCR 396)

RELATING TO THE SMALL BUSINESS REGULATORY REVIEW BOARD.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to small business regulatory review board; powers. Requires a majority of all the members currently serving on the board to constitute a quorum to do business, and the concurrence of a majority of all the members currently serving on the board shall be necessary to make any action of the board valid; provided that at least 5 members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum to do business and validate any action of the board. -- SB1343 SD1

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SB1359

RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND BASE COMPOSITE MONTHLY CONTRIBUTION.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to state and county contributions; retired employees. Requires the base composite monthly contribution to be adjusted annually, beginning January 1, 2026, by increasing the base composite monthly contribution in effect on January 1, 2025, by 5.2 per cent. Requires the adjusted base composite monthly contribution for each new plan year (January 1 until December 31) to be calculated by increasing or decreasing the base composite monthly contribution in effect through the end of the previous plan year by the percentage increase or decrease in the medicare part B premium rate for the previous plan year, which percentage shall be calculated by dividing the medicare part B premium rate in effect at the beginning of the previous plan year by the rate in effect at the beginning of the year prior to the previous plan year. -- SB1359

Current Status: Mar-04 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB1360 SD1 (SSCR 772)

RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to commencement of benefits on required beginning date; election and membership; and rights of members separated from service under pension and retirement systems law. Amends the required beginning date of benefits and automatic cashout requirements to be as defined in the internal revenue code of 1986, as amended. -- SB1360 SD1

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SB1361

RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM'S EMPLOYER REPORTING REVIEW.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to information from the State and counties. Requires the State or county to pay to the system, on the 1st day of the fiscal year 1 year after the end of the fiscal year in which the failure to furnish the required information occurred, an amount equal to the employer contributions payable by the State or county, relative to the department or agency that is not in compliance with this provision, during the fiscal year in which the failure to furnish the required information occurred, including if a department or agency of the State or county fails to furnish the system with the information required pursuant to this provision in the format required by the system. --

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Requires the system to annually submit to the department of budget and finance and the legislature, not later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session, a report that details the following for the previous fiscal year: any department or agency of the state or counties that failed to comply with this provision; and any amounts required to be paid under this provision, including the anticipated amounts payable in the upcoming fiscal year, and identification of any state budget programs that may be affected (report to the legislature). -- SB1361

Current Status: Mar-04 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB1365

RELATING TO THE INTERSTATE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMPACT.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Allows criminal history record checks to be conducted by the department of commerce and consumer affairs on applicants for physician licensure or license renewal, through the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact as provided by provisions relating to terms and provisions of compact; authorization; governor. Appropriation to the department of commerce and consumer affairs for the Hawaii medical board's implementation of the interstate medical licensure compact, including internal database updates. (\$\$) -- SB1365

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SB1366 SD1 (SSCR 793)

RELATING TO INTEREST ON INSURANCE PROCEEDS RELATED TO A MORTGAGE LOAN.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to interest on insurance proceeds related to a mortgage loan. Provides that in the event of a state of emergency declared by the governor pursuant to provisions relating to additional powers in an emergency period, a Hawaii financial institution shall comply with the following requirements concerning the handling, processing, and disbursement of insurance proceeds paid to satisfy a claim associated with the damage or destruction of a residential property that is the subject of a mortgage, including but not limited to hazard insurance of any kind; no later than 30 days after the Hawaii financial institution receives the insurance proceeds, the financial institution shall contact the borrower to determine whether the proceeds should be applied to the unpaid principal balance of the existing mortgage loan or placed in an escrow account if the homeowner intends to use the insurance proceeds to rebuild or disburse funds in excess of the loan balance; provided that certain conditions are met; a Hawaii financial institution shall hold in an interest-bearing account, for the benefit of the borrower, any insurance proceeds that the financial institution does not immediately disburse to a borrower pending rebuild of a residential property. Requires the financial institution to ensure that the interest that accrues to the account is credited to the borrower's account monthly; and a financial institution shall not charge the borrower a fee for the maintenance or disbursement of interest earned on the insurance proceeds, as set forth in this provision, held by the financial institution for the benefit of the borrower. -- Amends provisions relating to additional duties of a mortgage servicer; good faith and fair dealing; disclosures; payments, accounting, and records; assignment of servicing rights. -- SB1366 SD1

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SB1367 SD1 (SSCR 794)

RELATING TO INSTALLMENT LOANS.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to definitions under the Installment Loans law. Redefines installment lender or lender to mean any person not exempt under exemptions; relation to other laws who is in the business of offering or making an installment loan, who arranges an installment loan for a 3rd party required by this law to be licensed, or who acts as an agent for a 3rd party required by this law to be licensed with respect to the 3rd party's offering, making, or arranging of installment loans, through any method including mail, telephone, the Internet, or any electronic means. -- Amends provisions relating to installment loans; requirements; payments. Requires each installment loan transaction and renewal to meet the following requirements: subject to this provision, a monthly maintenance fee may be charged by the lender; provided that 30 days shall equal to 1 month and for any fraction of a month the fee shall be prorated on a daily basis not to exceed the following: 25 dollar monthly fee on a loan of an original principal loan amount up to 299.99 dollars; provided further that a fraction of a month shall use a daily factor



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of .83 cents per day; 30 dollar monthly fee on a loan of an original principal loan amount of at least 300.00 dollars and up to 699.99 dollars; provided that a fraction of a month shall use a daily factor of 1.00 dollar per day; and 35 dollar monthly fee on a loan of an original principal loan amount of at least 700.00 dollars and greater; provided further that a fraction of a month shall use a daily factor of 1.17 dollars per day. Allows an installment lender to offer to a consumer the option to make a payment through the consumer's debit card and may charge not more than a 5-dollar convenience fee; provided that the installment lender shall be prohibited from requiring this form of payment. Requires the form of payment decision to rest with the consumer. Prohibits the installment lender to charge the consumer a non-sufficient funds fee for rejected payments through the use of the consumer's debit card. Prohibits this 5 dollar convenience fee to be considered loan charges as defined in Installment Loans law. Requires, for each cash or in-person payment made by a consumer, a lender to give the consumer a written receipt with the lender's name and address, payment date, amount paid, and sufficient information to identify the account to which the payment is applied. -- Amends provisions relating to maximum loan amount; prohibition against multiple loans. -- SB1367 SD1

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SB1369 SD1 (SSCR 795)

RELATING TO TITLE 24, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to protection against insolvency under benefit societies; and health maintenance organization act law. Amends net solvency report filing date requirements for mutual benefit societies and health maintenance organizations. -- Amends provisions relating to protection against insolvency; net solvency report under dental insurers law. Amends net solvency report filing date requirements for dental insurers. -- SB1369 SD1

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SB1373 SD2 (SSCR 998)

RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE LICENSURE ACTIONS AGAINST SEX OFFENDERS.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to revocation of license or denial of application to renew, restore, or reinstate a license based on conviction requiring registration as a sex offender; conditions under acupuncture practitioners law; athletic trainers law; barbering and cosmetology licensing act; chiropractic law; dental hygienists law; dentistry law; electrologists law; hearing aid dealers and fitters law; licensed marriage and family therapists law; massage law; medicine and surgery law; mental health counselors law; naturopathic medicine law; nurses law; nurses aides law; nursing home administrators act; occupational therapy practice law; midwives law; opticians, dispensing law; optometry law; pharmacists and pharmacy law; physical therapy practice act; podiatrists law; psychologists law; behavior analysts law; respiratory therapists law; social workers law; and speech pathologists and audiologists law. Requires the department of commerce and consumer affairs and certain licensing boards to automatically revoke a license or deny an application to renew, restore, or reinstate a license under either of the following circumstances; the licensee has been convicted in any court in or outside of this State of any offense that, if committed or attempted in this State, based on the elements of the convicted offense, would have been punishable as 1 or more of the offenses described in registration of sex offenders and other covered offenders and public access to registration information law; or the licensee has been required to register as a sex offender pursuant to the provisions of registration of sex offenders and other covered offenders and public access to registration information law, regardless of whether the related conviction has been appealed. -- SB1373 SD2

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SB1377 SD2 (SSCR 911)

RELATING TO VETERANS CEMETERIES.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to veterans cemeteries board. Requires there to be established the veterans cemeteries board within the office in the department of defense for administrative purposes only. Requires the veterans cemeteries board to: identify compliance issues faced by veterans cemeteries in the State, resources needed, and challenges encountered by departments or agencies that manage veterans cemeteries and work collaboratively to resolve any issues; devise solutions to address the issues

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identified under this provision and implement the solutions collaboratively with the state and county departments and agencies on the board; seek resources, including funding, legislative initiatives, and inter-governmental program support; and interact with and invite interested community agencies, organizations, stakeholders, and concerned veterans and citizens to participate in discussions and board meetings. -- Requires the veteran cemeteries board to be comprised of the following members: the director, or the director's designee, who shall serve as the chairperson of the board; a representative of the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific by invitation of the director; the director of the department within the county of Maui that is responsible for operating and maintaining the county's veterans cemeteries, or the director's designee; the director of the department within the county of Hawaii that is responsible for operating and maintaining the county's veterans cemeteries, or the director's designee; the director of the department within the county of Kauai that is responsible for operating and maintaining the county's veterans cemeteries, or the director's designee; and the cemetery operations manager of the Hawaii state veterans cemetery, or the manager's designee. -- Requires the members of the veterans cemeteries board to serve without compensation but may be reimbursed for necessary expenses, including travel expenses, incurred in the performance of their duties. Requires a majority of the members of the veterans cemeteries board to constitute a quorum for the conduct of business of the board. Requires a majority vote of the members present at a meeting at which a quorum is established to be necessary to validate any action of the veterans cemeteries board. -- Requires the veterans cemeteries board to develop strategies and make recommendations to meet compliance standards set by the National Cemetery Administration of the United States Department of Veterans Affairs. Requires, in developing the recommendations, the veterans cemeteries board to create, develop, and adopt a statewide framework, that shall include: a clear understanding of the compliance standards for cemetery grounds and maintenance set by the National Cemetery Administration; strategies and recommendations for grounds and maintenance best practices to address the varying challenges and conditions of each cemetery location; and a standardized system of data collection and information sharing to support the intergovernmental efforts of the board. Requires the office to provide necessary staff and other support required by the veterans cemeteries board for the performance of its duties. Requires the veterans cemeteries board to submit a report of the board's findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session (report to the legislature). -- SB1377 SD2

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SB1379 SD2 (SSCR 1048)

### RELATING TO EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to the community readiness centers program; established. Establishes the community readiness centers program within the hawaii emergency management agency to set up community readiness centers in various communities to ensure emergency preparedness by providing training and emergency information, supplies, and basic medical care during and after an emergency event. Establishes criteria for implementing and administering the community readiness centers program. -- Establishes the community readiness centers special fund within the state treasury which appropriations made by the legislature; interest earned on any monies in the fund; and monies from the environmental response, energy, food security, and resilience tax shall be deposited into the special fund. Requires monies in the fund to be administered by the agency and to be used for the administration of the community readiness centers program established pursuant to this provision. -- Amends provisions relating to environmental response, energy, and food security by changing its title to environmental response, energy, food security, and resilience tax; uses. Requires a portion of the tax to be deposited into the community readiness centers special fund. -- Requires the hawaii emergency management agency to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026. (Report to the legislature). -- Appropriation to the department of defense for the acquisition of lands for community readiness centers and the emergency operations center on the parcel of land identified as tax map key: (1) 9-5-002-003; provided that the appropriation made by this section shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal year for which the appropriation is made; provided further that all moneys from the appropriation unencumbered as of June 30, 2027, shall lapse as of that date. (\$\$) -- SB1379 SD2

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SB1381 SD1 (SSCR 85)	RELATING TO THE HAWAII NATIONAL GUARD. Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR) Amends provisions relating to staff for military components, organization. Requires the headquarters to be staffed by the officers, warrant officers, and enlisted personnel, in the grades and branches of service as may be authorized by the secretaries of the army and the air force. Requires the army division to be headed by an assistant adjutant general. Requires the air division to be headed by a chief of staff or an assistant adjutant general, as determined by the adjutant general. Allows assistant adjutants general or chief of staff, when in the full-time employment of the department of defense, to receive the pay and allowance of their grade as fixed by the tables of the regular army or air force of the United States. -- SB1381 SD1 Current Status: Mar-04 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House Mar-04 25 Multiple Referral to PBS then FIN
SB1382	RELATING TO THE NATIONAL GUARD. Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR) Amends provisions relating to assault in the 2nd degree. Provides that a person intentionally or knowingly causing bodily injury to a national guard member in the performance of duty commits the offense of assault in the 2nd degree. -- SB1382 Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House Mar-06 25 Multiple Referral to PBS then JHA
SB1388 SD2 (SSCR 773)	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR) Amends provisions relating to school facilities authority board. Requires the board to consist of 7 voting members who shall serve without compensation but may be reimbursed for expenses, including travel expenses, necessary for the performance of their duties. Requires 2 ex officio members, including: the superintendent of education or the superintendent's designee; and the chairperson of the board of education or the chairperson's designee. -- SB1388 SD2 Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House Mar-06 25 Multiple Referral to EDN then JHA
SB1390 SD1 (SSCR 699)	RELATING TO COMPUTER SCIENCE LEGISLATIVE REPORT. Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR) Amends provisions relating to computer science; curricula plan; public schools. Requires, by October 31, 2025, and by each October 31 thereafter, the superintendent to submit to the board and legislature a report of the computer science courses and computer science content offered during the previous school year at the schools in each complex area (report to the legislature). -- SB1390 SD1 Current Status: Feb-28 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House Mar-04 25 Single Referral to EDN
SB1391 SD2 (SSCR 731)	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR) Appropriation to the department of education to provide funding for teacher requested classroom supplies. Requires private sector to contribute matching private funds on a dollar for dollar basis. (\$\$) -- SB1391 SD2 Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House Mar-06 25 Multiple Referral to EDN then FIN
SB1393 SD1 (SSCR 700)	RELATING TO THE USE OF PUBLIC LANDS. Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR) Amends provisions relating to use of public lands; acquisition of state lands. Requires the authority to consult with the department or agency having control and management of the identified lands, including if state lands, other than public lands, under the control and management of another department or agency, are identified by the authority for purposes of this law, and, with the approval of the governor, the impacted department or agency shall convey title or lease those identified lands, or an agreed upon portion thereof, to the authority upon terms and conditions as may be agreed to by the impacted department or agency; provided that at the request of the authority, and upon consultation with the department of education, the department of education shall transfer

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any identified land or an agreed upon portion thereof, to which it holds ownership rights to the authority. -- SB1393 SD1

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SB1395 SD2 (SSCR 1010)

RELATING TO STATE FUNDS.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to climate change impacts; projects; budget request. Provides that for any fiscal year that follows a fiscal year in which interest accrued from moneys in the emergency and budget reserve fund is deposited into the general fund pursuant to provisions relating to emergency and budget reserve fund, the governor shall request, in the budget or supplemental budget submitted to the legislature, that an amount of general funds equal to the amount of interest that was deposited into the general fund in the preceding fiscal year be expended to advance specific projects that address climate change impacts, including projects that mitigate, adapt to, or increase resiliency to climate change. -- Amends provisions relating to emergency and budget reserve fund. Requires all interest earned from moneys in the emergency and budget reserve fund to be credited to the emergency and budget reserve fund; provided that if the accrual of interest would cause the balance of the emergency and budget reserve fund to exceed the fund balance objective set for the emergency and budget reserve fund, as established in administrative directive number 22-01, then any interest amounts that would cause the fund's balance to exceed the fund balance objective shall be credited to the general fund; and the governor, in the following fiscal year, shall request that an amount of general funds equal to the amount of interest deposited into the general fund pursuant to this provision be expended to advance specific projects that address climate change, pursuant to this provision. -- SB1395 SD2

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SB1396 SD3 (FLOOR  
AMENDMENT 3)

RELATING TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to climate change and tourism marketing and destination management; projects; budget requests under budget law. Requires the governor to request, in the budget or supplemental budget submitted to the legislature, that an amount of general funds equal to \_\_\_\_ per cent of the moneys collected pursuant to transient accommodations tax law be expended to advance specific projects that address climate change and support tourism marketing and destination management, including projects that mitigate, adapt to, or increase resiliency to climate change and tourism. -- Amends provisions relating to imposition and rates under transient accommodations tax law. Increases the transient accommodations tax beginning on January 1, 2026. -- SB1396 SD3

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SB1402 SD1 (SSCR 247)

RELATING TO VESSELS IN STATE COMMERCIAL HARBORS.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to labor subject to collective bargaining; required. Requires except as provided in this provision, in addition to the duties of the department of transportation imposed under part I, the department of transportation to require that the securing of mooring lines from vessels to commercial docks, wharves, piers, quays, and landings be performed by labor subject to collective bargaining. Prohibits this provision to apply to the securing of mooring lines from government-owned or government-sponsored vessels, training vessels, and fishing vessels. -- SB1402 SD1

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SB1408 SD1 (SSCR 428)

RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION ACT.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends Act 130, Session Laws of Hawaii 2024, relating to the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act. Requires this Act to take effect on either the date of the Secretary of the Interior's notification letter to the Congressional Committee Chairpersons that this Act meets none of the criteria in title 43 Code of Federal Regulations section 48.20, or on the date that the United States Congress approval becomes law; provided further that the amendments made to section 215, Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920, as amended, by this Act shall not be repealed when Act 107, Session Laws of Hawaii 2000,

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or Act 85, Session Laws of Hawaii 2008, take effect with the consent of the United States Congress. -- SB1408 SD1

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SB1411 SD2 (SSCR 739)

RELATING TO MEDICAID THIRD PARTY LIABILITY.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to insurer requirements. Requires any health insurer as identified in insurer requirements to: respond to any inquiry by the State within 60 calendar days regarding a health care claim for any health care item or service that is submitted no later than 3 years after the date of the provision of the health care item or service; agree not to deny a claim submitted by the State solely on the basis of the date of submission of the claim; the type or format of the claim form; a failure to present proper documentation at the point-of-sale that is the basis of the claim; or in the case of a responsible 3rd party, a failure to obtain a prior authorization for the item or service for which the claim is being submitted if: the claim is submitted by the State within the 3-year period beginning on the date on which the health care item or service was furnished; and any action by the State to enforce its rights with respect to the claim is commenced within 6 years of the State's submission of the claim; and agree, when a responsible 3rd party requires prior authorization for an item or service furnished to an individual eligible to receive medical assistance under the state medical assistance program, to accept authorization provided by the state medical assistance program that the item or service is covered under the state medical assistance program for that individual, as if the authorization were the prior authorization made by the 3rd party for the item or service.

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SB1413 SD1 (SSCR 335)

RELATING TO THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to disposition of abandoned or seized property. Allows the hawaii public housing authority to sell, donate, or dispose of property abandoned or seized in or around any public housing project upon meeting certain requirements. Requires the hawaii public housing authority to notify the known owner of the abandoned or seized property prior to disposition of the abandoned or seized property. Establishes procedures for persons entitled to abandoned or seized properties. -- SB1413 SD1

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SB1419 SD1 (SSCR 328)

RELATING TO ACT 253, SESSION LAWS OF HAWAII 2023.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends Act 253, session laws of hawaii 2023, relating to neighbor islands blind and visually impaired service pilot program. Amends provisions to change the title of the pilot program to neighbor islands blind and low vision service pilot program. Requires the department of human services, in collaboration with the working group, to develop a written implementation plan that includes a pilot program performance period and program budget, and shall submit the plan, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026. Requires the department of human services to submit a report of its findings and recommendations pertaining to the neighbor islands blind and low vision service pilot program to the legislature no later than 30 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2029. (Report to the legislature). Requires the pilot program to cease to exist on July 30, 2029 (sunset). -- SB1419 SD1

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SB1421 SD1 (SSCR 326)

RELATING TO MEDICAL RECORDS.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to retention of medical records. Requires the provider to make immediate arrangements before the provider ceases operations, for the retention and preservation of the medical records consistent with federal and state regulations, including returning the medical records to the patient at the patient's last known address.

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SB1422 SD1 (SSCR 327)

RELATING TO NON-GENERAL FUNDS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to copies of certificate; fees and provisions relating to marriage license; agent to grant; fee. Requires the director of health to deposit a portion of fees for certified copies and marriage licenses to the vital statistics improvement special fund. -- Repeals provisions relating to birth defects special fund. -- Requires the unexpended balance of the birth defects special fund to be deposited into the vital statistics improvement special fund as of the effective date of this Act. -- Appropriation into and out of the vital statistics improvement special fund to the department of health for the operations of the vital statistics program, including the operations of the health status monitoring of the department of health. (\$\$) -- SB1422 SD1

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SB1429 SD2 (SSCR 905)

RELATING TO MEDICAL CANNABIS.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to violations; penalties. Requires in addition to any other penalties allowed by law, any person who violates this part or rules adopted thereunder to be fined not more than 5,000 dollars for each separate violation. Requires each day on which a violation occurs or continues to constitute a separate violation. Allows the department of health to impose an administrative penalty on a person pursuant to this provision, or rules adopted pursuant to this part. Requires the department of health to serve the person with written notice of the administrative penalty and the basis for the administrative penalty. Allows any notice of an administrative penalty to be accompanied by a cease-and-desist order or a corrective action order. Requires the violation of the cease-and-desist order or the corrective action order to constitute a further violation of this part. Allows any person aggrieved by the imposition of an administrative penalty, cease-and-desist order, or corrective action order to request a contested case hearing pursuant to administrative procedure law. Requires to request a contested case hearing, the person to submit a written request to the department of health within 20 calendar days of the date of the written notice. Requires an appeal to the circuit court under provision relating to judicial review of contested cases or any other applicable statute to only be taken from the department of health's final order pursuant to a contested case. Requires any action taken to recover, collect, or enforce the penalty provided for in this section to be considered a civil action. Allows for any judicial proceeding to recover or collect an administrative penalty imposed pursuant to this provision or to enforce a cease-and-desist order or a corrective action order issued pursuant to this provision, the department of health to petition any court of appropriate jurisdiction and need only show that: notice was served upon the person; a hearing was held, or the time granted for requesting a hearing has expired without such a request; the administrative penalty, cease-and-desist order, or corrective action order was imposed on the person; and the penalty remains unpaid, or the order was not complied with. -- Amends provisions relating to registration requirements; qualifying patients; primary caregivers. Requires each primary caregiver to be responsible for the care of not more than 5 qualifying patients at any given time, unless the primary caregiver is the parent, guardian, or person having legal custody of more than 1 minor qualifying patient, in which case the primary caregiver may be responsible for the care of more than 1 minor qualifying patient at any given time; provided that the primary caregiver is the parent, guardian, or person having legal custody of all of the primary caregiver's qualifying patients. Allows the department of health to permit registration of up to 2 primary caregivers for a minor qualifying patient; provided that both primary caregivers are the parent, guardian, or person having legal custody of the minor qualifying patient. -- Amends provisions relating to authorized sources of medical cannabis. Requires a qualifying patient to obtain medical cannabis or manufactured cannabis products only; provided that each location used to cultivate cannabis shall be used to cultivate cannabis for no more than 5 qualifying patients; or from the qualifying patient's primary caregiver who cultivates cannabis in an amount that does not exceed an adequate supply for the qualifying patient pursuant to provision relating to medical use of cannabis; conditions of use; provided that each location used to cultivate cannabis shall be used to cultivate cannabis for no more than 5 qualifying patients. -- SB1429 SD2

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SB1431 SD1 (SSCR 272)

RELATING TO VIRAL HEPATITIS.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

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Establishes provisions relating to hepatitis prevention program under infectious and communicable diseases law. Allows the department of health to establish and administer a hepatitis prevention program to prevent morbidity and mortality among Hawaii residents due to hepatitis B and hepatitis C. -- Repeals provisions relating to blood transfusion, hepatitis. -- Appropriation to the department of health for the establishment and implementation of the hepatitis prevention program, including the establishment of 1 full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) program specialist V position; 1 full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) epidemiological specialist position; and 1 full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) office assistant III position within the department of health for the purposes of this Act. (\$\$) -- SB1431 SD1

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SB1432 SD2 (SSCR 1003)

RELATING TO CHANGES TO RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CONCERNING PATIENTS, THE COUNTY OF KALAWAO, AND THE KALAUPAPA SETTLEMENT.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to Kalaupapa state historical area. Requires there to be a Kalaupapa state historical area that shall consist of that portion of the island of Molokai known as Kalaupapa, Kalawao, and Waikolu, and commonly known or designated as the Kalaupapa Settlement. Establishes the Kalaupapa state historical area to preserve the Kalaupapa Settlement, to educate the public, to commemorate the lives of residents with Hansen's disease and the lives of the people who served them, and to recognize the county of Kalawao and its role in the history of Hawaii. -- Establishes provisions relating to county of Kalawao; cessation; county of Maui. Requires the county of Kalawao that consists of that portion of the island of Molokai known as Kalaupapa, Kalawao, and Waikolu, and commonly known or designated as the Kalaupapa Settlement to cease to constitute a county by itself and shall be and form a portion of the county of Maui. -- Amends provisions relating to establishment of facilities for the treatment and care of persons with Hansen's disease by changing its title to services for the treatment and care of persons with Hansen's disease; expenses; rules; rules; annual report. Requires annual reporting to continue until the earlier of the year in which the passing of the last patient resident occurs or Kalaupapa settlement is no longer under the jurisdiction and control of the department of health. Report to the legislature. -- Repeals provisions relating to liberty, autonomy, and dignity of patient residents; equal treatment of patients; voluntary transfer to and from Kalaupapa; employment of patients; compensation of patient employees; pensions for patient employees at facilities; persons allowed at places for Hansen's disease patients; Kalaupapa store; loans for operation and maintenance; Kalaupapa store prices; penalty; fishing laws exemption; Kalaupapa; making or taking of pictures without permission prohibited; county of Kalawao; governance; sheriff, appointment, removal; sheriff, salary; sheriff, duties; sheriff, powers; Kalaupapa; policy on residency. -- Requires upon the passing of the last full- or part-time patient resident of Kalaupapa, the director of health to notify the governor, who shall issue a proclamation to affirm the date of passing. Requires the governor to also immediately deliver a copy of the proclamation to the revisor of statutes. -- Requires the department of health, in developing a plan for the permanent transfer of the powers and duties of the department and any other state agency over Kalaupapa Settlement to other governmental or qualified non-governmental entities, to include a community organization in the county of Kalawao that is designated in P.L. 111-11, title VII, section 7108, and a topside community organization from Molokai in the transition planning team. Requires the department of health to select the topside community in consultation with the Molokai community. -- Requires this Act to take effect upon its approval; provided that part II of this Act shall take effect on the one-year anniversary of the passing of the last full- or part-time patient resident of Kalaupapa as affirmed in the governor's proclamation, as described in this Act. -- SB1432 SD2

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SB1433 SD2 (SSCR 906)

RELATING TO HARM REDUCTION.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to definitions under the Infectious and Communicable Diseases law. Defines authorized objects to mean objects authorized by the department of health for dissemination to syringe exchange participants for the purpose of reducing infection or injury; provided that the objects are incidental to syringe exchange. Allows authorized objects to include, but are not limited to, cookers, cottons, or ties. Defines

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needs-based distribution to mean a syringe distribution practice that provides sterile needles and syringes to syringe exchange participants in quantities sufficient to reduce the likelihood of needles and syringes being shared or reused. Defines program staff to mean an employee of the department of health or its designee who is specifically tasked with procuring, handling, transporting, and providing sterile needles, syringes, and authorized objects and services to syringe exchange participants. Defines residue to mean the amount of controlled substance, as that term is defined in the Narcotics law, remaining in a syringe and needle after the plunger stopper is fully depressed. Defines syringe exchange participant to mean an injection drug user who receives a sterile needle and syringe pursuant to the program. Repeals the definition of participant. -- Amends provisions relating to operation of program. Requires the program to be operated for the purpose of: preventing the transmission of the human immunodeficiency virus, hepatitis B virus, hepatitis C virus, and other bloodborne infections; and providing drug users with referrals to appropriate health and social services. Requires the program to provide for maximum security of exchange sites and equipment, including a full accounting of the number of needles and syringes distributed, the number in storage, the number of used needles and syringes collected, and any other measure that may be required to control the use and dispersal of sterile needles and syringes; provided that a syringe exchange participant may exchange used needles and syringes at any exchange site if more than 1 site is available. -- Requires the program to provide needs-based distribution of sterile needles and syringes. Allows the program to provide screening procedures to allow non-injection drug users to safely and effectively receive services, exclusive of syringes and needles, from the program. -- Amends provisions relating to criminal liability by changing its title to liability. -- Prohibits possession or delivery of needles or syringes to constitute an offense under prohibited acts related to drug paraphernalia for program staff acting in the course and scope of official duties; provided that delivery is limited to other program staff or to syringe exchange participants pursuant to this part. Prohibits possession of needles or syringes to constitute an offense under prohibited acts related to drug paraphernalia for syringe exchange participants participating in a program visit. Prohibits possession or delivery of authorized objects to constitute an offense under prohibited acts related to drug paraphernalia for program staff acting in the course and scope of official duties; provided that delivery is limited to other program staff or to syringe exchange participants pursuant to this part. Prohibits possession of authorized objects to constitute an offense under prohibited acts related to drug paraphernalia for syringe exchange participants participating in a program visit. Requires the department of health to establish a specific list of authorized objects, which may be updated from time to time as needed. Prohibits possession or delivery of used needles or syringes containing residue to constitute a drug possession offense under promoting a dangerous drug in the 2nd degree, promoting a dangerous drug in the 3rd degree, promoting a harmful drug in the 2nd degree, promoting a harmful drug in the 4th degree, promoting a detrimental drug in the 2nd degree, or promoting a detrimental drug in the 3rd degree, for syringe exchange participants within 2 months after their last participation in a program visit; and shall not constitute an offense for program staff acting in the course and scope of official duties; provided that any delivery, whether by syringe exchange participants or by program staff, shall be made only to program staff pursuant to this part. -- Requires provisions to only apply to needles, syringes, or authorized objects possessed by syringe exchange participants or program staff; or to needles, syringes, or authorized objects delivered between program staff, or between a syringe exchange participant and program staff. Prohibits provisions to apply to any needles, syringes, or authorized objects possessed by anyone other than syringe exchange participants or program staff, nor shall these provisions apply to any needles, syringes, or authorized objects delivered between syringe exchange participants, between: syringe exchange participants; a syringe exchange participant and an individual who is neither a syringe exchange participant nor program staff; individuals who are neither syringe exchange participants nor program staff; or an individual who is neither a syringe exchange participant nor program staff. Prohibits a law enforcement officer who, acting in good faith, arrests or charges a person who is thereafter determined to be exempt from an offense pursuant to this provision to be subject to civil liability for the mere arrest or filing of charges. -- Provides that except as specifically provided in this provision, nothing in this part provides immunity from prosecution to any person for violation of any law prohibiting or regulating the use, possession, dispensing, distribution, or promotion of controlled substances, dangerous drugs, detrimental drugs, or harmful drugs. Provides that except as specifically provided in this provision, nothing in this part provides immunity from prosecution to any person for violation of prohibited acts B--penalties, prohibited acts C--penalties, or promoting a dangerous drug in the 1st



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degree through promoting a controlled substance through a minor. -- Amends provisions relating to reports. Requires the report to include: information as to the number of syringe exchange participants served, the number of needles and syringes distributed, and the number of used needles and syringes collected; a demographic profile of the syringe exchange participants served, including but not limited to: age, sex, ethnicity, area of residence, occupation, types of drugs used, length of drug use, and frequency of injection; impact of the program on needle and syringe sharing and other high risk behavior; data on syringe exchange participants regarding human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) testing, counseling, drug treatment, and other social services, including referrals for HIV testing and counseling and for substance use disorder treatment; impact on behaviors that caused syringe exchange participants to be at risk for HIV transmission such as frequency of drug use and needle sharing. -- SB1433 SD2

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SB1434 SD1 (SSCR 424)

RELATING TO UNIVERSAL IMMUNIZATION FUNDING PROGRAM.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to universal immunization funding program under department of health law to administer immunizations to individuals in the state who are not eligible to receive immunizations at no cost through other programs. -- Establishes provisions relating to universal immunization purchase special fund; established. Establishes the universal immunization purchase special fund within the state treasury into which fees, fines, and cost reimbursements paid by assessed entities shall be deposited into the special fund. Requires the special fund to be administered and expended by the department of health. Requires expenditures from the fund to be used for the purchase of immunizations and the administration of the universal immunization funding program to distribute immunizations free of charge to qualifying healthcare providers. Appropriation into and out of the universal immunization purchase special fund to the department of health for startup operations and initial procurements for the universal immunization funding program. (\$\$) -- SB1434 SD1

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SB1438 SD1 (SSCR 740)

RELATING TO HOME CARE AGENCIES.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to home care agencies; licensing. Requires a home care agency to only provide home care services or related tasks, functions, and activities in accordance with its license, and shall not provide services authorized by nurses law unless those services are provided by a registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, or advanced practice registered nurse. Requires that violations of this provision to be subject to the penalties and remedies provided in this law and in rules adopted by the department of health. -- SB1438 SD1

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SB1439 SD1 (SSCR 496)

RELATING TO NUISANCES.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to removal, prevention under nuisances; sanitary regulations law by changing its title to prevention; abatement; destruction; removal. Establishes that the department of health has the legal authority to prevent, abate, destroy, or remove nuisances that threaten public health, environmental health, or both. -- SB1439 SD1

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SB1441 SD2 (SSCR 1007)

RELATING TO THE TRANSITION OF THE OAHU REGIONAL HEALTH CARE SYSTEM FROM THE HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION INTO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends Act 212, Session Laws of Hawaii 2021, relating to the transition of the Oahu Regional Health Care System from the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation into the Department of Health, as amended by Act 150, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022. Repeals the requirement to transfer the Oahu Regional Health Care System from the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation to the Department of Health. -- Amends provisions relating to transition of Hawaii health systems regional system or health facility to a new entity. -- Requires the Oahu regional health care system and the department of health to enter

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into an agreement regarding Oahu regional health care system with the following terms; the Oahu regional health care system and the department of health shall enter into an agreement regarding the care of patients transferred from the Hawaii state hospital to an appropriate Oahu regional health care system facility; and the Oahu regional health care system and the department of health shall enter into the agreement through a formal memorandum of agreement no later than November 30, 2025, with patient care starting no later than December 31, 2025. Report to the legislature. -- SB1441 SD2  
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SB1442 SD2 (SSCR 1006)

RELATING TO MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS.  
Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)  
Establishes provisions relating to definitions under the department of health law; children's mental health services; department responsibility by changing its title to children's and adolescents' mental health services; department responsibility; children's mental health services branch by changing its title to child and adolescent mental health division; community mental health services for children and youth by changing its title to family guidance centers for children and adolescents; statewide children's mental health services plan by changing its title to statewide child and adolescent mental health services plan. -- Repeals provisions relating to biennial review of progress. Clarifies and updates the responsibilities of the child and adolescent mental health division of the department of health to reflect the current mental health systems of care that address the mental health needs of children and adolescents in the State. -- SB1442 SD2  
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SB1443 SD1 (SSCR 331)

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.  
Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)  
Establishes provisions relating to psychiatric facility; procurement of and payment of expenses for medical care and long-term care. Requires rates of payments for medical care for patients of the Hawaii state hospital and for patients under the custody of the director at a psychiatric facility other than the Hawaii state hospital to be limited to the Hawaii medicaid fee schedule or the provider's billed amount, whichever is less. Allows the department of health to establish rates of payment for long-term care services provided for patients who are discharged to a long-term care facility from the Hawaii state hospital or from a psychiatric facility other than the Hawaii state hospital where they were under the custody of the director. Requires the department of health to be exempt from purchases of health and human Services for the procurement of medical care for patients of the Hawaii state hospital and for patients of a psychiatric facility other than the Hawaii state hospital who are under the custody of the director, and for the procurement of long-term care for patients discharged to a long-term care facility from the Hawaii state hospital or from a psychiatric facility other than the Hawaii state hospital where they were under the custody of the director. -- Defines long-term care to mean care provided by a long-term care facility. Defines long-term care facility to have the same meaning as in office of the long-term care ombudsman. Defines medical care to mean examination, diagnosis, or treatment for medical and dental conditions to include outpatient and hospital-based services as well as appliances and supplies deemed clinically necessary by the department. Provides that medical care does not include long-term care. -- SB1443 SD1  
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SB1447

RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE ORDERS.  
Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)  
Amends provisions relating to remedies. Prohibits any hearing before the director to stay any order to cease and desist issued pursuant to this provision. Allows after a hearing pursuant to this provision, the director to affirm, modify, or rescind the order as appropriate. Allows the director to institute a civil action in any court of appropriate jurisdiction for the enforcement of any order issued pursuant to this provision. -- SB1447  
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SB1448 SD2 (SSCR 999)

MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR CONSTRUCTION DEFECT REMEDIATION AT THE HAWAII STATE HOSPITAL.  
Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

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Appropriation to the department of health to fund construction defect remediation, including the payment of legal fees and costs of special deputy attorneys general, at the Hawaii state hospital. Provided that any civil fines accrued from litigious suits, damages, and settlements awarded shall be deposited into the general fund. Allows the department of health, with the approval of the governor, to delegate to other state agencies the implementation of projects related to this provision. (expenditure ceiling) (\$\$) -- SB1448 SD2

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SB1449 SD1 (SSCR 502)

RELATING TO PRIOR AUTHORIZATION OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to prior authorization; reporting under health planning and resources development and health care cost control law. Requires utilization review entities doing business in the state to submit data to the state agency relating to prior authorization of health care services, in a format specified by the state agency. Requires reporting to be annual for the preceding calendar year and to be submitted no later than January 31 of the subsequent calendar year. -- SB1449 SD1

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SB1451 SD2 (SSCR 1021)

RELATING TO CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to confidentiality of critical infrastructure information. Requires critical infrastructure information received or maintained by the office of homeland security in connection with the Hawaii state critical infrastructure security and resilience program to be confidential and shall not be disclosed, except as provided in this provision. Allows the office of homeland security to share confidential critical infrastructure information received or maintained under this provision with federal, state, and county agencies within the State for the purposes of the security of critical infrastructure and protected systems; provided that the information shall remain confidential and shall not be disclosed by the receiving agency to the public. -- Amends provisions relating to definitions under homeland security law. Defines critical infrastructure information to mean information provided by private entities that is not customarily in the public domain and that, if disclosed, could reveal vulnerabilities in critical infrastructure that, if exploited, would likely result in the significant disruption, destruction, or damage of or to operations, property, or facilities. -- SB1451 SD2

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SB1452 SD1 (SSCR 276)

RELATING TO THE UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE ACT.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends the uniform controlled substances act. Updates uniform controlled substances act to make it consistent with amendments in the Federal Controlled Substances Act as required under provisions relating to authority to schedule controlled substances. -- SB1452 SD1

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SB1454 SD1 (SSCR 909)

RELATING TO THE WAGE AND HOUR LAW.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to order of wage payment violation; appeal. Provides that when the department, as a result of the department's own investigation, finds that a violation of this law or administrative rules adopted under this law has been committed and not corrected, the department shall issue an order of wage payment violation to the employer in violation. -- Establishes provisions relating to remittance of penalties; enforcement of the order of wage payment violation. -- Amends provisions relating to labor law enforcement special fund; establishment; purposes. -- Amends provisions relating to definitions under wage and hour law. Redefines wage to mean (except as the department may provide under provisions relating to rules and regulations) legal tender of the United States or checks on banks convertible into cash on demand at full face value thereof as compensation for labor or services rendered by an employee, whether the amount is determined on a time, task, piece, commission, or other basis of calculation, and in addition thereto the reasonable cost as determined by the department, to the employer of furnishing an employee with board, lodging, or other facilities if the

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board, lodging, or other facilities are customarily furnished by such employer to the employer's employees. -- Amends provisions relating to penalties; collection of unpaid wages; injunctions; etc. Provides that any employer who fails to pay wages in accordance with this law without equitable justification or violates this law or the administrative rules adopted under this law shall be liable; to the employee, in addition to the wages legally proven to be due, for a sum equal to the amount of unpaid wages and interest at a rate of 6 per cent per year from the date that the wages were due; and for a penalty of not less than 500 dollars or 100 dollars for each violation, whichever is greater. Requires the penalty to be deposited into the labor law enforcement special fund. -- SB1454 SD1

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SB1456

### RELATING TO RESTORATION OF BEACH LANDS.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to definitions. Redefines beach restoration to mean an activity undertaken to: maintain and improve beaches and dune systems through management of sand and native dune vegetation; place sand on an eroded beach from an approved outside or adjacent source, with or without stabilizing structures; or remove abandoned remnant materials from beaches and dunes that pose a risk to public health and coastal ecosystems. -- SB1456

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SB1462 SD1 (SSCR 912)

### RELATING TO A STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION INCOME TAX CREDIT.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to historic preservation income tax credit under income tax law. Provides a historic preservation income tax credit that is certified by qualified staff of the state historic preservation division of the department of land and natural resources shall be 30 per cent of the costs incurred for the physical rehabilitation, renovation, or construction of a certified historic structure pursuant to a rehabilitation plan; provided that the term shall not include the taxpayer's personal labor. Prohibits the aggregate amount of the tax credits claimed for qualified rehabilitation projects to exceed 1,000,000 dollars for each of the 2025-2030 taxable years. -- SB1462 SD1

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SB1464

### RELATING TO CONFORMITY TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to conformance to the federal Internal Revenue Code; general application. Establishes that for all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2024, as used in this law, except as provided in this provision and provisions relating to income tax law, Internal Revenue Code means subtitle A, chapter 1, of the federal Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended as of December 31, 2024, as it applies to the determination of gross income, adjusted gross income, ordinary income and loss, and taxable income, except those provisions of the Internal Revenue Code which, pursuant to this law, do not apply or are otherwise limited in application. -- Amends provisions relating to conformance to the Internal Revenue Code; general application. Establishes that for all decedents dying, or transfers occurring, after December 31, 2024, as used in this law, Internal Revenue Code means subtitle B of the federal Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended as of December 31, 2024, as it applies to the determination of gross estate, adjusted gross estate, federal taxable estate, and generation-skipping transfers, except those provisions of the Internal Revenue Code and federal public laws that, pursuant to this law, do not apply or are otherwise limited in application. -- SB1464

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SB1465 SD1 (SSCR 547)

### RELATING TO PASS-THROUGH ENTITY TAXATION.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to pass-through entity taxation election. Requires any qualified member claiming a credit to add to the qualified member's taxable income the qualified member's share of taxes paid by an electing pass-through entity under this provision. -- SB1465 SD1

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SB1466

### RELATING TO THE EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to refundable earned income tax credit. Provides that unless otherwise provided by law, the tax credit, for the appropriate taxable year, shall be 40 per cent of the federal earned income tax credit allowed and properly claimed under provision 32 of the Internal Revenue Code and reported as such on the individual's federal income tax return. Requires for a part-year resident or a nonresident, the tax credit to equal the amount of the tax credit calculated in this provision multiplied by the ratio of Hawaii adjusted gross income to federal adjusted gross income. Provides that no nonrefundable credits claimed for the taxable year beginning after December 31, 2021, and carried forward under this provision, shall be used as a credit for a taxable year beginning after December 31, 2025. -- SB1466

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SB1467

### RELATING TO TAX APPEALS.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to small claims. Requires the tax appeal court to cause a notice of the appeal and a copy of the statement to be served on the director of taxation in the case of an appeal involving the department of taxation, or on the real property assessment division of the county involved in the case of an appeal involving the county, or upon both the director of taxation and the real property assessment division of the county involved in the case of an appeal involving both the department of taxation and the county. -- Amends provisions relating to appeal to tax appeal court. Provides that an appeal permitted by law to the tax appeal court is properly commenced by filing, on or before the date fixed by law for the taking of the appeal, a written notice of appeal in the office of the tax appeal court and by service of the notice of appeal on the director of taxation in the case of an appeal involving the department of taxation, or on the real property assessment division of the county involved in the case of an appeal involving the county, or upon both the director of taxation and the real property assessment division of the county involved in the case of an appeal involving both the department of taxation and the county. -- Amends provisions relating to appeals from taxation board of review to tax appeal court. Requires an appeal to the tax appeal court to be properly commenced by the filing, by the taxpayer, county, or director of taxation, of a written notice of appeal in the office of the tax appeal court within 30 days after the filing of the decision of the state taxation board of review or an equivalent county administrative body, and, in the case of any appealing taxpayer, the payment of the costs of court in the amount fixed by filing fee, and service of the notice of appeal on the director of taxation in the case of an appeal involving the department of taxation, or on the real property assessment division of the county involved in the case of an appeal involving the county, or upon both the director of taxation and the real property assessment division of the county involved in the case of an appeal involving both the department of taxation and the county. -- SB1467

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SB1469 SD2 (SSCR 774)

### RELATING TO TAX COLLECTIONS.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to limitation period for assessment, levy, collection, or credit; net operating loss carrybacks under income tax law; limitation period under general excise tax law; assessment of tax upon failure to make return; limitation period; exceptions; extension by agreement under transient accommodations tax law; audits; additional assessments; refunds under use tax law; assessments; limitation period; exceptions; extension by agreement under fuel tax law; imitation period for assessment, levy, collection, or credit under fuel tax law; assessment of surcharge tax upon failure to make return; limitation period; exceptions; extension by agreement under rental motor vehicle, tour vehicle, and car-sharing vehicle surcharge tax law. Suspends the statute of limitations on collections during the period an assessment is pending on appeal before the taxation board of review or tax appeal court. -- SB1469 SD2

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SB1470

### RELATING TO INCOME TAX WITHHOLDING.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to withholding of tax on wages. Provides that in determining

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taxable income there shall be a standard deduction allowance, which shall be an amount equal to 1 exemption (or more or less than 1 exemption if so prescribed by the director) unless the taxpayer. -- SB1470

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SB1473 SD2 (SSCR 913)

RELATING TO CENTRAL SERVICES ASSESSMENT.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to transfers from state highway fund for central service expenses; transfer from airport revenue fund; and transfer from harbor special fund. Establishes transfer limits for central service expenses from the state highway fund, airport revenue fund, and harbor special fund by limiting the deduction to 2.5 percent of all receipts and deposits in the respective fund or \_\_\_\_ dollars, whichever is less. Establishes a process to adjust deduction amounts based on the consumer price index.

-- SB1473 SD2

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SB1478 SD1 (SSCR 250)

RELATING TO COMMERCIAL HARBORS.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to order to evacuate a commercial harbor; penalties. Requires that during an emergency, any master or person in charge of a vessel using the commercial waterways and facilities under the jurisdiction of the department of transportation to comply with and carry into effect any evacuation order from a commercial harbor issued by the harbor master assigned to that commercial harbor. Requires notwithstanding any law to the contrary, any person, including but not limited to a vessel master, agent, owner, or crew, who violates this provision to be fined 10,000 dollars for each day of violation per vessel; provided that in addition to the fines, a court, the department of transportation, or a hearing officer may deprive the offender of the privilege of entering the secured area of a commercial harbor or obtaining an operating or mooring permit for any vessel in a commercial harbor for a period of 1 year. Defines emergency to have the same meaning as in provision under emergency management law. Defines evacuation to mean the immediate and rapid movement of individuals and vessels away from the threat or actual occurrence of any hazard, emergency, or disaster, which includes leaving any commercial harbor under the jurisdiction of the department of transportation. Defines harbor master to mean any person appointed to that office by the director of transportation and vested with the operational control of a state commercial harbor. Defines that harbor master includes any harbor district manager, commercial harbors manager, and harbor agent. Defines vessel to include all description of watercraft that are used or are capable of being used as a means of transportation on or in the water. -- Establishes in the treasury of the state the harbor special fund. Requires all moneys received by the department of transportation from the rates, fees, fines, and administrative penalties pursuant to provisions relating to rates, how fixed, violation of rules; penalty, fines arising from environmental protection and maritime transportation security violations, general administrative penalties, and harbors law, to be paid into the harbor special fund. -- SB1478 SD1

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SB1487 SD1 (SSCR 523)

RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII REVENUE BONDS.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Authorizes the issuance of revenue bonds, with the approval of the governor, to finance the costs of construction or the costs of maintenance and modernization, or both, of any university project, any university system, or any network or combination thereof, including reserves therefor as the board of regents may direct. Appropriation to the board of regents. Report to the legislature. (\$\$) -- SB1487 SD1

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB1491 SD1 (SSCR 356)

RELATING TO DEPARTMENTAL DATA SHARING.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to departmental data sharing by adding the department of taxation; and the department of business, economic development, and tourism to the list of state agencies sharing data through the statewide longitudinal data system. Requires any data provided by the department of taxation to be aggregated or anonymized. --

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SB1491 SD1

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SB1493 SD1 (SSCR 444)

RELATING TO SERVICE ANIMALS.

Introduced by: San Buenaventura J, Inouye L, McKelvey A, Moriwaki S, Rhoads K, Richards III H

Establishes provisions relating to emotional support animals; disclaimer; civil penalty. Requires any person or business that sells or provides an animal for use as an emotional support animal to provide written notice to the buyer or recipient of the animal that states the following: the animal does not have the special training required to qualify as a service animal; the user of an emotional support animal is not entitled to the rights and privileges accorded by law to a service animal; and knowingly misrepresenting as a service animal any animal that does not meet the requirements of a service animal, as defined in service animal, defined under the Blind, Visually Handicapped, and Other Disabled Persons law, is a violation of misrepresentation of a service animal; civil penalty. -- Requires a person or business who provides verification of the disability related need for an emotional support animal to provide written notice to the buyer or recipient that states the following: the verification cannot be used to establish the emotional support animal as a service animal; and knowingly misrepresenting as a service animal any animal that does not meet the requirements of a service animal, as defined in service animal, defined, is a violation of misrepresentation of a service animal; civil penalty. Requires a person or business that sells or provides a certificate, vest, or identification tag that identifies an animal as an emotional support animal to provide written notice to the buyer or recipient that states the following: the item cannot be used to establish the emotional support animal as a service animal; the item does not entitle the user of an emotional support animal to the same rights and privileges accorded by law to the user of a service animal; and knowingly misrepresenting as a service animal any animal that does not meet the requirements of a service animal, as defined in service animal, defined under the Blind, Visually Handicapped, and Other Disabled Persons law, is a violation of misrepresentation of a service animal; civil penalty. Requires the written notices described in this provision to be made in at least 12-point bold type and shall be provided on the receipt for the emotional support animal or the product described in this provision, or on a separate piece of paper that is attached to the receipt. Requires, upon a finding of a preponderance of the evidence, a person who violates this provision to be fined not less than 100 dollars and not more than 250 dollars for the 1st violation, and not less than 500 dollars for a 2nd violation and each violation thereafter. Requires nothing in this provision to preclude any other civil remedies available to a person, entity, or other organization arising from misrepresentation by another person of a service animal. -- SB1493 SD1

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SB1494 SD2 (SSCR 749)

RELATING TO HEARING AIDS.

Introduced by: San Buenaventura J, DeCoite L, Inouye L, McKelvey A, Rhoads K, Richards III H

Establishes provisions relating to optional coverage for hearing aids under provisions relating to accident and health or sickness insurance contracts; and provisions relating to mutual benefit societies. Each individual and group accident and health or sickness policy, contract, plan, or agreement, and each individual and group hospital or medical service plan contract issued or renewed in the State on or after January 1, 2026, shall provide optional coverage for the cost of hearing aids. Requires hearing aid purchases covered under this provision to be subject to a minimum benefit of 1,500 dollars per hearing-impaired ear every 36 months. -- Amends provisions relating to required provisions and benefits under health maintenance organization act law. -- SB1494 SD2

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB1496 SD1 (SSCR 530)

RELATING TO CIVIL RIGHTS.

Introduced by: San Buenaventura J, Fukunaga C, Inouye L, McKelvey A, Richards III H  
Amends provisions relating to definitions under discrimination in public accommodations law. Defines accessible; application; information and communication technology; and website. Amends the definition of place of public accommodation to include physical or digital places. -- Amends provisions relating to other discriminatory practices. Provides that it is a discriminatory practice to deny a person with a disability full and equal

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enjoyment of the goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages, or accommodations, or information related to the goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages, or accommodations using information and communication technology intended for use by the general public as applicants, participants, customers, clients, or visitors. Requires places of public accommodations to meet certain requirements beginning on July 1, 2026, with certain exceptions. -- SB1496 SD1

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### SB1500 SD2 (SSCR 832)

#### RELATING TO ELECTRIC UTILITIES.

Introduced by: Wakai G

Amends provisions relating to appointment of receiver for public utilities. Allows the commission to appoint a receiver to take any temporary action necessary to assure continued service or to bring the service up to appropriate regulatory standards, whenever the commission finds that a regulated water utility, regulated investor-owned electric utility, or regulated sewer utility is failing, or that there is an imminent threat of the utility failing, to provide adequate and reasonable service to its customers, and that the failure is a serious and imminent threat to health, safety, and welfare. Allows the commission to also appoint a receiver to take any temporary action necessary to assure continued service, if after notice and hearing, the commission finds that any water, electric, or sewer utility regulated under this chapter consistently fails to provide adequate and reasonable service. Requires the appointed receiver to recognize and maintain in the terms and conditions of any existing collective bargaining agreement at the time of and throughout receivership, and shall not induce or cause a reduction in force, or terminate a covered employee, other than for a cause consistent with any collective bargaining agreement. -- Appropriation to the public utilities commission for any costs incurred by the public utilities commission in determining whether to appoint a receiver pursuant to appointment of receiver for public utilities (\$\$). -- SB1500 SD2

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### SB1501 SD2 (SSCR 1050)

#### RELATING TO ENERGY.

Introduced by: Wakai G

Establishes provisions relating to step-in agreements covering power purchase costs. Establishes provisions relating to step-in agreements. Requires the department to enter into a step-in agreement with an obligee that requires the department to make prompt and full payments for power purchase costs owed by an electric utility to the obligee in the event of a default; provided that before entry into any agreement, the department may conduct due diligence on a prospective obligee. Requires a step-in agreement to also obligate the department to pay claims of the obligee from moneys in the fund arising out of the termination of a covered power purchase agreement by the electric utility under bankruptcy law. -- Establishes provisions relating to default of electric utility; successor requirements. Provides that if the obligee provides notice to the department of a default of a covered power purchase agreement, the department shall provide the electric utility notice of the default. -- Establishes provisions relating to power purchase costs trust fund. Establishes outside the state treasury the power purchase costs trust fund, to be administered by the department, into which shall be deposited all proceeds of the power purchase charges to be paid in the event of a default of a covered power purchase agreement by the electric utility. Requires the moneys in the fund to be administered and held by the department in trust for the benefit of obligees of covered power purchase agreements to the extent the obligees are owed. -- Establishes provisions relating to power purchase costs reserve fee; establishment. Provides by August 1, 2025, the public utilities commission shall authorize a surcharge proposed by an electric utility, referred to as the power purchase costs reserve fee, the revenue from which shall be accorded the same treatment as revenue from power purchase charges as described in this provision. -- Establishes provisions relating to electric utility; agent of the department. Allows the department to contract with an electric utility or its successor to act as an agent of the department to provide billing, collection, payment, management, and other related services on terms and conditions that reasonably compensate the electric utility or its successor for its incremental cost to provide services, and adequately secure payment to the department. Allows the director of finance to appoint, authorize, and empower the electric utility, as agent for and on behalf of the State, to manage and pay out moneys, including from the fund, for fulfillment of payment obligations of the State arising from covered power purchase agreements. -- SB1501 SD2

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House



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SB1502 SD1 (SSCR 520)

RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.

Introduced by: Wakai G

Appropriation to the university of Hawaii for 2 full time equivalent (2.00 FTE) assistant professors in international economics, trade, and security; for 1 full time equivalent (1.00 FTE) professor of practice in intelligence studies; for 1 full time equivalent (1.00 FTE) educational specialist; and for 1 half time equivalent (0.50 FTE) graduate research assistant in the college of social sciences at the university Hawaii at Manoa for workforce development in the defense sector of the state's economy. -- Appropriation to the university of Hawaii for student housing, travel costs, material supplies, and operation of the academy for Hawaii intelligence studies summer program of the college of social sciences at the university of Hawaii at Manoa to develop a pipeline of talented students for workforce development in the defense sector of the state's economy. -- Appropriation to the university of Hawaii for 1 half time equivalent (0.50 FTE) faculty for the director of the cybersecurity coordination center; and for 1 half time (0.50 FTE) faculty for the director of the cybersecurity research laboratory, for the business administration program at the West Oahu campus for workforce development in the defense sector of the state's economy. -- Appropriation to the university of Hawaii for student internship programs, certifications, software, and other related expenses for the business administration program at the West Oahu campus for workforce development in the defense sector of the state's economy. (\$\$) -- SB1502 SD1

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SB1503 SD1 (SSCR 201)

RELATING TO WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.

Introduced by: Wakai G

Requires the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to develop and implement training programs, public-private partnerships with private sector entities and defense contractors, funding opportunities, recruitment strategies to develop a local workforce to meet the growing demand in defense-related personnel and promote economic diversification, and program evaluation and monitoring. Requires the department of labor and industrial relations to submit a report of its progress, findings, and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2027, and every other year thereafter. -- Appropriation to the department of labor and industrial relations to develop and increase the defense-related workforce in the state and promote economic diversification. (Report to Legislature) (\$\$) -- SB1503 SD1

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB1508 SD1 (SSCR 716)

RELATING TO STATUTORY REVISION: AMENDING OR REPEALING VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE HAWAII REVISED STATUTES OR THE SESSION LAWS OF HAWAII FOR THE PURPOSES OF CORRECTING ERRORS AND REFERENCES, CLARIFYING LANGUAGE, OR DELETING OBSOLETE OR UNNECESSARY PROVISIONS.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends or repeals various provisions of the Hawaii Revised Statutes or the Session Laws of Hawaii for the purposes of correcting errors and references, clarifying language, or deleting obsolete or unnecessary provisions. -- SB1508 SD1

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SB1509 SD1 (SSCR 805)

RELATING TO PRESCRIPTION DRUGS.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to health care insurer share the savings act and pharmacy benefit manager share the savings act. Establishes provisions relating to health care insurer requirements; cost sharing; confidentiality; rebate under the insurance code; and pharmacy benefit manager requirements; cost sharing; confidentiality; rebate; prescription drug benefits; pharmacy benefit manager requirements; final reimbursement to pharmacies under the pharmacy benefit managers law. -- Provides that any health care insurer that receives a rebate in connection with the dispensing or administration of a prescription drug, and all pharmacy benefit managers, shall share the benefit of the rebates with enrollees in the State. Provides this provision to not prohibit a health care insurer, or pharmacy benefit manager, from decreasing an enrollee's defined cost sharing

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by an amount greater than that required under this provision. -- SB1509 SD1  
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SB1511 SD1 (SSCR 587)

### RELATING TO HANALEI BAY.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to Hanalei Bay; vessel restrictions. Provides that no vessel more than 75 feet in length shall enter Hanalei Bay waters, the boundary of which shall be defined by the board pursuant to administrative law; provided that this provision shall not apply to vessels operated by a federal, state, or county agency. -- SB1511 SD1

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB1515 SD1 (SSCR 697)

### RELATING TO ELECTIONS.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Amends provisions relating to definitions under elections, generally law. Defines on-call circuit judge to mean a judge of the circuit court who is on call in the respective judicial circuits. -- Amends provisions relating to rules for determining residency; transfers; name changes; initiated by clerk; changing register; correction of errors; challenge by voters; grounds; procedure; appeal from ruling on challenge; or failure of clerk to act; appeal from board of registration by changing its title to appeal from board of registration or relevant circuit court; appeal from board by changing its title to appeal from board or relevant circuit court; decision, notice; action on; status pending appeal. Allows an on-call circuit judge in the relevant circuit to perform the duties of the board of registration for purposes of hearing elections disputes if the board of registration lacks full membership. Requires the judiciary to designate 1 or more on-call circuit court judges in each circuit to perform the duties of the board of registration for purposes of hearing elections disputes. -- SB1515 SD1

Current Status: Feb-28 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB1517 SD1 (SSCR 992)

### RELATING TO PUBLIC LANDS.

Introduced by: Kouchi R (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to definitions under public lands, management and disposition of law. Defines good standing to mean the status of a lessee being in full compliance with the lessee's obligations under the lease. -- Amends provisions relating to lease for recreation-residence use. Allows the board of land and natural resources to lease lands for recreational-residential use by public lottery under certain requirements. Allows the board of land and natural resources to restrict participation in the public lottery to residents of the same county in which the land to be leased is located. Amends the maximum term for a lease of public lands for recreational-residential use from 20 years to 5 years. -- SB1517 SD1

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SB1520 SD1 (SSCR 1044)

### RELATING TO FAMILY.

Introduced by: Rhoads K, San Buenaventura J

Establishes provisions relating to domestic abuse; exemption from mediation in paternity proceedings. Prohibits the court to require mediation in paternity proceedings where there are allegations of domestic abuse. Allows the court to order mediation under certain circumstances. -- Amends provisions relating to battered spouses by changing its title to domestic abuse; exemption from mediation in divorce proceedings. -- SB1520 SD1

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SB1522

### RELATING TO VEHICLE TITLE TRANSFERS.

Introduced by: Rhoads K, Elefante B

Amends provisions relating to procedure when title or interest of vehicle transferred; delivery of certificate mandatory. Provides that except as provided in this provision and as between the parties, a transfer by a registered owner is not effective until the provisions of this provision have been complied with; provided that whenever the registered owner of any motor vehicle or any licensed dealer has given notice to the director of finance of a transfer of the title or interest in the motor vehicle, as provided in this provision, and has delivered the certificate of ownership bearing the transferor's

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signature to the transferee as required by this provision, the transferor shall be relieved from any liability, civil or criminal, from the date the transferor delivers the motor vehicle into the transferee's possession, which the transferor might otherwise subsequently incur by reason solely of being the registered owner of the vehicle. Requires proof by the transferor that the transferor has filed the notice form described in this provision to serve as a complete defense to any action brought against the transferor for an act or omission, civil or criminal, arising out of the use, operation, or abandonment of the vehicle by another person after the transferor's filing of the form; provided that a copy of the form shall serve as proof of the filing of the form. Requires a transferor who submits false or fraudulent information to complete the provisions of this provision requiring action by the transferor to be subject to the penalties described in this provision. -- SB1522

Current Status: Mar-04 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB1526 SD2 (SSCR 914)

RELATING TO THE DRUG AND ALCOHOL TOXICOLOGY TESTING LABORATORY.  
Introduced by: Moriwaki S

Amends provisions relating to the Drug and Alcohol Toxicology Testing Laboratory. Prohibits any provision of this Act to the contrary notwithstanding, the appropriations for fiscal year 2023-2024 and fiscal year 2024-2025 authorized under this provision to lapse at the end of the fiscal year for which the appropriation is made; provided that all moneys from the appropriations that are unencumbered as June 30, 2028, shall lapse to the credit of the state highway fund as of that date. -- SB1526 SD2

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB1530

RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.

Introduced by: Moriwaki S

Establishes provisions relating to general fund appropriations; performance-based outcome funding; report. Allows the board of regents to transfer general fund appropriations for the university of Hawaii to other university of Hawaii program IDs in accordance with performance-based outcomes established at the lowest unit of study relating to student achievement and degree attainment and articulation as determined by the president of the university; provided that the president of the university may transfer the funds pursuant to this provision if the authority is delegated to the president of the university by the board of regents. Provides that the amount transferred to a university of Hawaii program ID pursuant to this provision shall be expended at the discretion of the head of the university of Hawaii college, campus, or school of that program ID. Requires the president of the university to devise the metrics and standards for the performance-based outcomes in accordance with provisions relating to industry-recognized credentials; data collection D. independent audit committee and benchmarks; annual budget requests, biennial reports. Provides that amount that is not transferred to a university of Hawaii program ID for the purposes of this provision shall lapse to the general fund at the end of each fiscal year. Requires the president of the university to submit a report of their findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session. -- SB1530

Current Status: Mar-04 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB1536 SD2 (SSCR 750)

RELATING TO THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D, Aquino H, Chang S, Kidani M, Richards III H

Amends provisions relating to Hawaii tourism authority; establishment; board; president and chief executive officer. Requires the board to appoint 1 person to serve as president and chief executive officer, exempt from Civil Service law who shall oversee the authority staff; provided further that the compensation package shall not include private sector moneys or other contributions. -- SB1536 SD2

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SB1541 SD1 (SSCR 397)

RELATING TO THE WAIHAOLE WATER SYSTEM.

Introduced by: Richards III H, Aquino H, Chang S, McKelvey A

Appropriation to the agribusiness development corporation to pay the bond debt service on the Waiahole water system and for the repair of the adit 8 tunnel of the Waiahole water system. (\$\$) -- SB1541 SD1

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SB1543 SD2 (SSCR 751)

### RELATING TO GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY.

Introduced by: Kim D, Chang S, DeCoite L, Fevella K, Gabbard M, Kidani M, McKelvey A, San Buenaventura J

Establishes provisions relating to external consultants; justification; spending caps; reporting requirements; audits. Provides that notwithstanding provisions relating to methods of source selection, each purchasing agency shall provide justification for hiring external consultants. Requires each agency to seek approval from the Legislature for consulting contracts exceeding a certain dollar amount. Requires each agency to disclose all contracts with external consultants. Requires annual reports to the Legislature. Requires the Compliance Audit Unit to conduct regular audits of agency consultant contracts to assess cost-effectiveness and compliance. -- Amends provisions relating to authority and duties of the chief procurement officer Requires for their respective jurisdictions and unless otherwise specifically provided in this law, each chief procurement officer to serve as the central procurement officer for the officer's respective jurisdiction and: ensure that inherent government functions are not delegated to a contractor. (Report to Legislature) -- SB1543 SD2

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SB1545

### RELATING TO NEPOTISM.

Introduced by: Kim D, Chang S, Fevella K, Gabbard M, Kidani M

Amends provisions relating to nepotism; prohibition under standards of conduct law. Repeals provisions that exempts the legislative branch from prohibitions against nepotism in public employment. -- SB1545

Current Status: Feb-27 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB1547 SD1 (SSCR 460)

### RELATING TO SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST ALOUIN KAUAI FARMING, AN AGRICULTURAL ENTERPRISE, IN THE FINANCE, OPERATION, AND MAINTENANCE OF A PROJECT TO REVITALIZE THE DAIRY INDUSTRY.

Introduced by: Gabbard M

Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds, with the approval of the governor, to assist Aloun Kauai Farming LLC, for the planning, design, construction, and maintenance of an integrated dairy industry. Authorizes the issuance of refunding special purpose revenue bonds to refund the special purpose revenue bonds. (\$\$) -- SB1547 SD1

Current Status: Mar-04 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB1553 SD2 (SSCR 752)

### RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS.

Introduced by: Kanuha D

Appropriation out of the Act 279 special fund to the department of Hawaiian home lands for the purchase of a parcel of land identified as tax map key: (1) 9-1-013-025, including any existing improvements thereon. (\$\$) -- SB1553 SD2

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB1559 SD1 (SSCR 522)

### RELATING TO DUNE RESTORATION.

Introduced by: McKelvey A, Chang S, Gabbard M, Kidani M, Richards III H

Appropriation to the university of Hawaii for dune restoration at Hanakao beach park. (\$\$) -- SB1559 SD1

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SB1567 SD1 (SSCR 54)

### RELATING TO THE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION SYSTEMS.

Introduced by: Aquino H, Chang S, DeCoite L, Elefante B, Fukunaga C, Hashimoto T, Inouye L, Kidani M, McKelvey A, Moriwaki S, Rhoads K, Richards III H, San Buenaventura J

Requires the department of human resources development to complete a comprehensive review of the classification and compensation systems for all positions within the state's executive branch. Allows the department of human resources development to contract with a 3rd party, without regard to hawaii public procurement code law, to assist the department in the timely completion the review. Requires the department of human

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resources development to submit a preliminary report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026; and a final report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2027. (Report to the legislature). -- Appropriation to the department of human resources development for the department of human resources development to conduct and complete a comprehensive review of the classification and compensation systems for the state's executive agencies pursuant to this Act, including contracting with a 3rd party to assist in completing the review. (\$\$) -- SB1567 SD1

Current Status: Feb-27 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB1571 SD2 (SSCR 1011)

### RELATING TO TOURISM.

Introduced by: DeCoite L, Wakai G

Amends provisions relating to civil service and exemptions under civil service law. Exempts all positions filled by the Hawaii tourism authority within the department of business, economic development, and tourism from the civil service law. -- Amends provisions relating to definitions under the Hawaii tourism authority law; Hawaii tourism authority; establishment; board; president and chief executive officer. Redefines convention center facility. Requires the authority to be headed by a policy-making board of directors that shall consist of 12 members. Repeals provision that prohibits a person who has served as a member of the board of directors of the Hawaii Visitors and Convention Bureau to be eligible to sit as a member of the board of directors of the Hawaii tourism authority until at least 2 years have expired between the person's termination from service on the Hawaii Visitors and Convention Bureau board and the person's appointment to the authority's board of directors. -- Amends provisions relating to objective and policies for the economy--visitor industry. -- SB1571 SD2

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SB1575 SD1 (SSCR 796)

### RELATING TO INSURANCE.

Introduced by: Fukunaga C, Fevella K, Inouye L, Keohokalole J, McKelvey A, Moriwaki S, Rhoads K

Establishes provisions relating to exception for condominium master insurance or condominium master hurricane insurance. Notwithstanding any provision of this article to the contrary, in the event that an existing condominium master insurance policy or condominium association or its board of directors, whether wholly or partially, is issued by a surplus lines insurer, and admitted insurer may offer such policies at an amount of no more than 50 per cent of the amount charged by the surplus lines insurer. -- SB1575 SD1

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SB1578 SD2 (SSCR 841)

### RELATING TO INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS.

Introduced by: Lee C, Chang S

Establishes provisions relating to east-west center. Requires the official designation of the East-West center to be the center for cultural and technical interchange between East and West, Inc. Report to the legislature. -- Amends provisions relating to office of international affairs; established. Requires the office to provide support to the Hawaii sister-state and international partnerships commission. -- Establishes provisions relating to establishment of out-of-state offices; purposes. Allows the department of business, economic development, and tourism to establish and operate offices and facilities in out-of-state locations, including foreign nations, to support sister-state, -province, and other partnerships that promote and enrich the people, cultures, environments, and economies of the State and its international partners. -- Amends provisions relating to powers of the department; and Hawaii sister-state committee by changing its title to Hawaii sister-state and international partnerships commission. Establishes within the department of business, economic development, and tourism for administrative purposes only the Hawaii sister-state and international partnerships commission. Requires the commission to support the governor, legislature, and office of international affairs in building and maintaining strategic long-term sister-state, -province, and other partnerships that promote and enrich the people, cultures, environments, and economies of the State and its international partners. -- Amends provisions relating to initiating sister-state relationships; maintaining sister-state relationships. Dissolving sister-state

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relationships. -- Appropriation to the department of business, economic development, and tourism for the office of international affairs to develop an updated strategy for the State's international engagement in the 21st century; and analysis of potential investment and revenue generation abroad. -- Appropriation to the university of Hawaii for the East-West center to assist in the development and maintenance of the State's international relationships, programs, and partnerships. (\$\$) -- SB1578 SD2

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
Mar-06 25 Multiple Referral to ECD then FIN

SB1581 SD1 (SSCR 1051)

RELATING TO HAWAII-JAPAN PACIFIC PEACE MONUMENT.

Introduced by: Lee C, Elefante B, Gabbard M, Kidani M, McKelvey A, Rhoads K, San Buenaventura J, Wakai G

Establishes a Hawaii-Japan Pacific peace monument as a historical site on Oahu to recognize and commemorate the journey towards friendship and peace between the people of Hawaii and Japan and the bright future of endless potential of Hawaii and Japan. Provides that the monument shall be developed jointly by the state foundation on culture and the arts and appropriate stakeholders representing Hawaii and Japan, and shall consist of those lands within or adjacent to the East-West center that are determined to be appropriate. Provides that the monument shall be used to increase public access for education and for reflection, recreation, and enjoyment of the monument. -- Appropriation the state foundation on culture and the arts for the planning, design, and construction of the Hawaii-Japan Pacific peace monument. (\$\$) -- SB1581 SD1

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SB1582

RELATING TO THE COCONUT TREE.

Introduced by: Awa B, Chang S, DeCorte S, Gabbard M

Establishes provisions relating to coconut palm; food source. Provides that the coconut palm (*cocos nucifera*), or niu in hawaiian, is established, designated, and recognized as a sustainable staple food source in the state. -- SB1582

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
Mar-06 25 Multiple Referral to AGR then JHA

SB1585 SD1 (SSCR 517)

RELATING TO WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.

Introduced by: Dela Cruz D

Establishes provisions relating to Hawaii P-20; performance metrics evaluation program; established. Requires the Hawaii P-20 partnerships for education to establish and implement evidence-based assessments of its workforce and pathway development programs for Hawaii students, as provided in this provision. Requires the Hawaii P-20 partnerships for education advisory council to submit a report to the legislature that summarizes the evidence-based assessment of its workforce and pathway development programs under this provision, no later than 30 days prior to the convening of each regular session (report to the legislature). -- Appropriation to the university of Hawaii for the Hawaii P-20 partnerships for education office to establish and implement evidence-based assessments of its workforce and pathway development programs (\$\$). -- SB1585 SD1

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
Mar-06 25 Multiple Referral to EDN/ HED/ then FIN

SB1588 SD1 (SSCR 69)

RELATING TO NUCLEAR ENERGY.

Introduced by: Wakai G

Establishes a nuclear energy task force within the Hawaii state energy office to study the feasibility of using advanced nuclear power technologies in the state. Requires the task force to submit an interim report of its progress, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026, and shall submit a final report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 40 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2027. Requires the task force to be dissolved on December 21, 2027 (sunset). (Report to the Legislature) -- SB1588 SD1

Current Status: Feb-27 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
Feb-28 25 Multiple Referral to EEP then FIN

SB1589 SD3 (FLOOR  
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RELATING TO THE STADIUM DEVELOPMENT SPECIAL FUND.

Introduced by: Wakai G

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Establishes in the state treasury the stadium development special fund, into which funds collected by the stadium authority shall be deposited, including: all gifts or grants awarded in any form from any public agency or any other source for purposes of the stadium development district; provided that any gift or grant from a private source shall be used only for infrastructure related to the stadium and costs associated with the development of the stadium. Requires except as provided in this provision, moneys in the stadium development special fund to be used by the stadium authority for the payment of expenses arising from any and all use, operation, repair, maintenance, alteration, improvement, development, or any unforeseen or unplanned repairs of the stadium development district. Requires any condition imposed by the legislature on a legislative appropriation to the stadium development special fund to be met before expenditure of the appropriated funds; provided that the legislature intends for the condition to be met before expenditure. Requires any unexpended and unencumbered funds in the stadium development special fund to immediately lapse to the general fund if the project is terminated. -- Appropriation to the stadium authority of the department of business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes of the stadium development special fund; provided that the development timelines set by the stadium authority have been met for the new aloha stadium entertainment district; and the sum appropriated and authorized for expenditure for fiscal year 2026-2027 pursuant to this provision shall be derived solely from moneys received by the State as a gift or grant from private sources; provided further that if the new aloha stadium entertainment district project is terminated before completion, then all moneys remaining in the stadium development special fund that are not expended or encumbered shall lapse to the general fund. (\$\$) -- SB1589 SD3

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB1601 SD2 (SSCR 889)

### RELATING TO CONDOMINIUMS.

Introduced by: Keohokalole J

Establishes the financing for condominiums law. Establishes provisions relating to powers; rulemaking. Allows the Hawaii green infrastructure authority to; contract with any community development financial institution for services, including servicing or administering loans pursuant to this part; and adopt rules pursuant to administrative procedure law to effectuate this law. -- Establishes provisions relating to condominium loan program. Establishes within the authority the condominium loan program to provide qualified condominium associations with low-cost financing, or refinancing for loans previously obtained, for maintenance or repair projects in accordance with this provision. -- Establishes provisions relating to condominium loan revolving fund. Requires moneys in the condominium loan revolving fund to be expended by the authority for the purposes of providing loans, including establishing reserve accounts under this provision, in accordance with this provision. -- Establishes provisions relating to loans; limitations and conditions. Requires loans provided under this law to be for financing, or refinancing loans previously obtained, for the following maintenance or repairs in a condominium project; installing, repairing, or replacing fire sprinklers or other fire safety measures; repairing or replacing the pipes; repairing or replacing the roof; or any other maintenance or repairs the authority deems qualified for the loans. -- Establishes provisions relating to loans; eligibility; and annual reports. Report to the legislature. -- Establishes provisions relating to gifts and grants. -- Establishes provisions relating to credit enhancement through loan loss reserves. -- Establishes provisions relating to condominium loan loss reserves program. Establishes within the authority the condominium loan loss reserves program to incentivize community development financial institutions to provide loans at competitive rates and terms to condominium associations for the purpose of allowing condominium associations to make necessary maintenance or repairs in accordance with this provision. Requires the authority shall use moneys in the condominium loan revolving fund to make deposits into a participating community development financial institution's reserve account in an amount specified in this provision to be a source of moneys the participating community development financial institution may receive as reimbursement for losses attributable to loans in the condominium loan loss reserves program. -- Establishes provisions relating to participating community development financial institutions; reserve account; loans; limitations on state contributions to reserve accounts; state's rights with respect to reserve account; annual reports by a participating community development financial institution; annual reports by the authority; audits. Report to the legislature. -- Establishes provisions relating to state liability prohibited. -- Appropriation into and out of the condominium loan revolving fund to implement the condominium loan program. (\$\$) -- SB1601 SD2

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Mar-06 25 Multiple Referral to CPC then FIN

SB1602 SD1 (SSCR 753)

### RELATING TO THE KEAUHOU AQUIFER SYSTEM.

Introduced by: Kanuha D

Establishes a \_\_\_\_ year keauhou aquifer system monitoring pilot program within the department of land and natural resources. Requires the commission on water resource management to manage the monitoring wells installed in the keauhou aquifer system; monitor groundwater levels in the keauhou aquifer system; and conduct water quality tests in the keauhou aquifer system. Requires the department of land and natural resources to submit an interim report to the legislature every 6 months, detailing groundwater levels and water quality analysis in the keauhou aquifer system. Report to the legislature. -- Appropriation to the department of land and natural resources for the installation of 2 monitoring wells in the keauhou aquifer. (\$\$) -- SB1602 SD1

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
Mar-06 25 Multiple Referral to EEP/ WAL/ then FIN

SB1609 SD1 (SSCR 595)

### RELATING TO CHILD CARE.

Introduced by: San Buenaventura J

Requires the department of human services to establish and implement a contracted early learning services contract program no later than July 1, 2026. Requires the department of human services to contract directly with licensed infant and toddler child care centers and with family child care centers that serve children 6 weeks to 5 years of age; and families who are eligible for a federally funded child care subsidy through the department. Requires the program to provide contracts for at least 1 licensed or regulated child care program per county; and contracts with providers to be a minimum of 12 months and may be extended. -- Requires the department of human services to submit annual reports on the development and implementation of the early learning services contracts program, including impacts on child care provider stability and family satisfaction, and any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular sessions of 2026, 2027, and 2028. (Report to the legislature). -- SB1609 SD1

Current Status: Mar-04 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
Mar-04 25 Multiple Referral to HSH then FIN

SB1610 SD2 (SSCR 833)

### RELATING TO OHANA ZONES.

Introduced by: San Buenaventura J, Hashimoto T, Keohokalole J, Richards III H

Establishes provisions relating to ohana zones program; establishment; reports. Establishes within the statewide office on homelessness and housing solutions the ohana zones program to provide temporary housing and services to homeless individuals and families based on principles similar to the housing 1st program. -- Amends provisions relating to exemption from general excise taxes under the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation law. Provides that in accordance with provisions relating to exemptions for certified or approved housing projects, the corporation may approve and certify for exemption from general excise taxes any qualified person or firm involved with a newly constructed, or a moderately or substantially rehabilitated, project that is; developed under a government assistance program approved by the corporation, including but not limited to the United States Department of Agriculture's section 502 direct loan program, Federal Housing Administration's section 235 program, and the ohana zones program established under this provision. -- Amends provisions relating to definitions under department of human services law. Defines kauhale and ohana zone. -- Appropriation to the department of human services for the ohana zones program's transient temporary housing; provided that no more than \_\_\_\_ dollars in general funds shall be spent on kauhale. -- Appropriation to the department of human services for the development and management of kauhales or semi-permanent housing to transition persons out of homelessness. (\$\$) -- SB1610 SD2

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
Mar-06 25 Multiple Referral to HSH then FIN

SB1612 SD2 (SSCR 1012)

### RELATING TO FITNESS TO PROCEED.

Introduced by: San Buenaventura J, Chang S, Inouye L, McKelvey A

Requires the department of corrections and rehabilitation to establish a 5-year fitness to proceed pilot program to help reduce overcrowding at the Hawaii state hospital and ensure the safety of the hospital's staff and personnel while an inmate is awaiting a determination on the inmate's fitness to proceed pursuant to Penal Responsibility and



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Fitness to Proceed law. Requires an inmate housed in a reserved cell or living space to be in the joint custody of the department of corrections and rehabilitation and department of health until a determination is made regarding the inmate's fitness to proceed pursuant to Penal Responsibility and Fitness to Proceed law. Defines joint custody to mean the department of corrections and rehabilitation having primary physical custody of an inmate and the department of health having responsibility for the mental health services and medications of the inmate. Requires the department of corrections and rehabilitation to submit an interim report to the legislature on the status of the pilot program no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2027 and a final report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2030 (report to the legislature). Appropriation to the department of corrections and rehabilitation for the establishment and implementation of the fitness to proceed pilot program (\$\$). -- SB1612 SD2

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
Mar-06 25 Multiple Referral to PBS then HLT then FIN

SB1619 SD2 (SSCR 754)

RELATING TO THE COSMETOLOGY LICENSURE COMPACT.

Introduced by: Kim D, Aquino H, Chang S, DeCoite L, Fevella K, Gabbard M, Hashimoto T

Establishes the cosmetology licensure compact law. Establishes provisions relating to terms and provisions of compact; authorization; governor. Authorizes the governor to enter into a cosmetology licensure compact on behalf of the State of Hawaii with any other state legally joining therein. Provides that the purpose of this compact is to facilitate the interstate practice and regulation of cosmetology with the goal of improving public access to, and the safety of, cosmetology services and reducing unnecessary burdens related to cosmetology licensure. Provides that through this compact, the member states seek to establish a regulatory framework which provides for a new multistate licensing program. Provides that through this new licensing program, the member states seek to provide increased value and mobility to licensed cosmetologists in the member states, while ensuring the provision of safe, effective, and reliable services to the public. -- Requires the department of commerce and consumer affairs to adopt rules pursuant to administrative procedure law for the purposes of implementing and administering this law. -- SB1619 SD2

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
Mar-06 25 Multiple Referral to CPC then JHA then FIN

SB1620

RELATING TO NATURAL HAIR BRAIDING.

Introduced by: Kim D, Chang S, DeCoite L, Fevella K, Kidani M, McKelvey A

Establishes provisions relating to natural hair braiders; exemption; conditions under barbering and cosmetology licensing act law. Establishes an exemption for natural hair braiders from licensing requirements under certain conditions. -- SB1620

Current Status: Feb-28 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
Mar-06 25 Single Re referral to CPC

SB1622 SD1 (SSCR 518)

RELATING TO ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE.

Introduced by: Kim D, Chang S, Inouye L, McKelvey A, Richards III H, San Buenaventura J, Wakai G

Establishes provisions relating to aloha intelligence institute; artificial intelligence; established. Establishes the aloha intelligence institute under the office of the vice president for research and innovation at the university of hawaii to develop, support, and advance artificial intelligence initiatives statewide. Requires the institute to submit a biannual report to the legislature and the governor that includes a summary of activities and achievements; financial statements and funding updates; and recommendations for future initiatives and funding needs. (Report to the legislature). -- Appropriation to the university of hawaii to establish faculty of practice and administrative professional technical positions within the aloha intelligence institute and to develop, support, and advance artificial intelligence initiatives statewide. -- Appropriation to the university of Hawaii to establish faculty of practice and administrative professional technical positions within the aloha intelligence institute and to develop, support, and advance artificial intelligence initiatives statewide pursuant to this provision as follows: \_\_\_\_ dollars for 10 full-time equivalent (10.0 FTE) permanent positions; and \_\_\_\_ dollars for non-recurring start-up expenses for the purposes of this Act. (\$\$) -- SB1622 SD1

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SB1624 SD1 (SSCR 519)

RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.

Introduced by: Moriwaki S

Amends provisions relating to powers of the board under university of hawaii system law. Requires the board of regents to expend funds appropriated to renew, improve, or modernize existing university of hawaii facilities for only those purposes and not for current, ongoing, or anticipated capital improvement projects. Requires the board to submit an annual report detailing the renew, improve, and modernize projects that received funding to the legislature no later than 30 days prior to the convening of each regular session. (Report to the legislature). -- SB1624 SD1

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB1632 SD2 (SSCR 1001)

RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

Introduced by: Ihara Jr. L, Fukunaga C

Requires the yes in my backyard working group under the department of business, economic development, and tourism, no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026, to submit a comprehensive action plan to establish a local housing market in hawaii. Report to the legislature. Establishes requirements for the comprehensive action plan to promote, facilitate, and coordinate land trusts and various incentives for development. -- Appropriation to the department of business, economic development and tourism for a comprehensive action plan to establish a local housing market in Hawaii. (\$\$) -- SB1632 SD2

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB1638 SD2 (SSCR 915)

RELATING TO AIR CARRIERS.

Introduced by: DeCoite L

Establishes provisions relating to Molokai air carrier subsidy program. Establishes within the department of transportation the Molokai air carrier subsidy program to provide subsidies to air carriers operating out of Molokai Airport. Requires the Molokai air carrier subsidy program to provide state subsidies to qualified applicants pursuant to the following terms, conditions, and standards: any subsidy shall be used exclusively for the purposes of the program; the applicant shall indicate the capability to properly use the subsidy for the costs of operation in and out of Molokai airport; the applicant shall comply with all applicable federal and state laws prohibiting discrimination against any person on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, creed, sex, age, sexual orientation, disability, or any other characteristic protected under applicable federal or state law; the subsidy shall not be used for purposes of entertainment or perquisites; all activities undertaken with subsidy funds received shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and county statutes and ordinances; the applicant shall indemnify and hold harmless the State and its officers, agents, and employees from and against any and all claims arising out of or resulting from activities carried out or projects undertaken with funds received from the program; and obtain sufficient insurance to provide the indemnification under this provision, if requested to do so by the department; the applicant shall agree to make available to the department of transportation all records the applicant may have relating to the subsidy to monitor the applicant's compliance with the requirements of the program; and the applicant shall comply with other requirements as the department may prescribe. -- Requires the department to submit an annual report to the legislature regarding the program, including subsidy funds disbursed and detailed accounting and descriptions of expenditures of subsidy funds, no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session (report to the legislature). Defines applicant to mean a qualified air carrier operating, or planning to operate, out of Molokai airport seeking a subsidy. Defines department to mean the department of transportation. Defines program to mean the Molokai air carrier subsidy program. Defines subsidy to mean the sum of money appropriated by the legislature to the department to be disbursed to qualified air carriers operating out of Molokai airport. -- Appropriation to the department of transportation for the department of transportation's administration division (TRN995) for the Molokai air carrier subsidy program (\$\$). -- SB1638 SD2

Current Status: Mar-06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - House  
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SB1641 SD2 (SSCR 983)

RELATING TO THE STATE OF HAWAII FILM COMMISSION.

Introduced by: DeCoite L

Establishes provisions relating to state of hawaii film commission; established; purpose. Establishes the state of hawaii film commission within the department for administrative

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purposes only to promote and develop the film industries in the state. -- Establishes provisions relating to State of Hawaii film commission; powers; duties; and development and support of cultural productions. -- Establishes provisions relating to state of hawaii film commission; annual report. Requires the state of hawaii film commission to submit a report of its finding and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session. (Report to the legislature). Establishes criteria for the reports. -- Establishes provisions relating to state of hawaii film commission board; established; responsibilities; composition; and state of hawaii film commission; executive director; duties. Establishes criteria for the state of hawaii film commission board; and executive director. -- Establishes provisions relating to film industry development special fund within the state treasury. Establishes criteria for the funding sources for the special fund. -- Amends provisions relating to hawaii film and creative industries development special fund by changing its title to hawaii creative industries development special fund. Requires the creative industries fund to be used for the support and development of facilities and other initiatives to grow the state's creative industries. -- Appropriation into and out of the film industry development special fund to the department of business, economic development, and tourism for the establishment of 1 full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) executive director of the state of hawaii film commission non-civil service position; and 2 full-time equivalent (2.0 FTE) administrative non-civil service positions to support the state of hawaii film commission. (\$\$) -- SB1641 SD2

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### SB1648 SD1 (SSCR 491)

#### RELATING TO POWER OUTAGES.

Introduced by: Rhoads K, Chang S, Elefante B, Fukunaga C, Gabbard M, Hashimoto T, Moriwaki S, San Buenaventura J

Establishes provisions relating to power outage compensation. Provides that if more than 1,000 of the total customers of an electric utility are subjected to a continuous power interruption of 4 hours or more during which there is a total loss of power transmission or power is transmitted at less than 50 per cent of the standard voltage, the utility shall compensate customers affected by that interruption in an amount equal to actual damages suffered as a result of the power interruption. Prohibits actual damages to include consequential damages or litigation costs. Requires the utility to also reimburse any hospital or government entity for any power interruption as described in this provision in an amount equal to the emergency and contingency expenses incurred by the hospital or government entity as a result of the power interruption. Report to the legislature. -- SB1648 SD1

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### SB1651 SD1 (SSCR 413)

#### RELATING TO PUBLIC MEETINGS.

Introduced by: Rhoads K

Amends provisions relating to board packet; filing; public inspection; notice. Requires, at the time the board packet is distributed to the board members, but no later than 7:45 a.m. on the 3rd business day before the meeting, the board to also make the board packet available for public inspection in the board's office; provided that nothing in this provision shall require creation of a board packet; provided further that nothing in this provision shall prohibit the distribution of public testimony to board members before the meeting. Requires the board to provide notice to persons requesting notification of meetings pursuant to notice under Public Agency Meetings and Records law at the time the board packet is made available for public inspection in the board's office. Requires the notice to include a list of the documents that were compiled by the board and distributed to the board members before a meeting for use at that meeting and that the board packet is available for inspection in the board's office and shall provide reasonably prompt access to the board packet to any person upon request. -- SB1651 SD1

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### SB1657 SD2 (SSCR 1022)

#### RELATING TO THE AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.

Introduced by: Richards III H, Chang S, Inouye L, Kidani M

Amends provisions relating to powers; generally. Allows the agribusiness development corporation to acquire by condemnation pursuant to eminent domain law any real property, including fixtures and improvements, or any interest in real property, for the purposes of this law; provided that the corporation makes a determination that the

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property is necessary for the corporation's immediate or future use. Prohibits real property acquired by condemnation to thereafter be transferred or taken for any other public use without the consent of the corporation. -- SB1657 SD2

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SB1660 SD1 (SSCR 355)

### RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT.

Introduced by: McKelvey A, Chang S

Establishes hospitality worker protections law. -- Establishes provisions relating to employer responsibilities. Requires each hospitality employer to adopt a written policy prohibiting the harassment of hospitality workers; provide mandatory annual training for all hospitality workers regarding harassment; supply a panic button to each hospitality worker who works in guest rooms, restrooms, or other isolated conditions; provide hospitality workers with a list of contact resources; and display a notice summarizing the rights and protections provided under this law and providing information about how to report a violation. -- Establishes provisions relating to prohibition on retaliation. Prohibits the retaliation against a hospitality worker who files a complaint; uses a panic button; participates in an investigation, hearing, or other proceeding related to harassment or retaliation; or refuses to perform work in an area the worker deems unsafe. -- Establishes provisions relating to penalties for hospitality employers that violates this law. -- Requires the department of labor and industrial relations to adopt to effectuate the purposes of this Act, including rules determining penalties and establishing procedures for handling complaints. -- SB1660 SD1

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SB1662 SD1 (SSCR 382)

### RELATING TO THE RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD-TENANT CODE.

Introduced by: McKelvey A

Amends provisions relating to application screening fee part V. tenant obligations. Provides that if an applicant provides a landlord or the landlord's agent with a certified copy of the applicant's criminal background check or credit report received within 30 days from another landlord or that landlord's agent, the landlord or the landlord's agent shall not charge an application fee to cover the costs of obtaining another criminal background check or credit report; and if a comprehensive reusable tenant screening report is made available to the landlord or the landlord's agent and is received within 30 days, the landlord or the landlord's agent shall not charge an application fee. Provides that upon request by the applicant, a landlord or the landlord's agent shall provide to the applicant a certified copy of the applicant's criminal background checks and credit reports that are less than 30 days old. -- SB1662 SD1

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SB1667 SD2 (SSCR 890)

### RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

Introduced by: Lee C

Amends provisions relating to vehicles blocking crosswalks under statewide traffic code law. Prohibits vehicles from blocking marked crosswalks. -- Amends provisions relating to reckless driving of vehicle or riding of animals; penalty. -- Amends provisions relating to refusal to submit to breath, blood, or urine test; subject to administrative revocation proceedings under use of intoxicants while operating a vehicle law. Requires a person refusing to submit to a breath, blood, or urine test to surrender their license to the law enforcement officer. -- Amends provisions relating to refusal to submit to testing for measurable amount of alcohol; district court hearing; sanctions; appeals; admissibility. Establishes an increase for the suspension of a license when a person is arrested for driving under the influence and refuses to submit a breath, blood, or urine test. -- Amends provisions relating to automated speed enforcement systems program; established. Allows automated speed enforcement systems to be implemented within school zones identified by the safe routes to school advisory committee for the promotion of public health, safety, and welfare. Requires the state highway safety and modernization council to submit a list of 5 areas to be addressed from the developed proposals under this provision to the department of transportation; and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature, no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026. (Report to the legislature). Allows the state highway safety and modernization council to select up to 25 intersections where the department of transportation may install additional photo red light imaging detector systems. -- Requires the safe routes to school advisory committee to identify 25 of the most dangerous school

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zones in the state. Allows the department of transportation or county agencies to install additional automated speed enforcement systems. -- Appropriation to the department of transportation to coordinate with the metropolitan planning organizations for training and education for all levels of government focused on traffic safety, multimodal and pedestrian infrastructure, and other priorities as may be appropriate. -- Appropriation to the department of transportation to effectuate the purposes of this Act; provided that the department of transportation may transfer all or a portion of the appropriation in this section to county agencies to effectuate the purposes of this Act. -- Appropriation to the judiciary to update the judiciary's information management system to pull data from law enforcement citations and transfer the data into court records. (\$\$) -- SB1667 SD2  
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SB1669 SD2 (SSCR 706)

RELATING TO TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT.  
Introduced by: Lee C, Chang S, Dela Cruz D, Hashimoto T  
Establishes the transit oriented community improvement partnership law. Establishes provisions relating to transit oriented community improvement partnership; established. Establishes the transit oriented community improvement partnership, which shall be a public body corporate and politic and an instrumentality and agency of the State. Requires the partnership to be headed by the board. Requires the partnership to be placed within the department of transportation for administrative purposes only. -- Establishes provisions relating to board of directors; powers; generally; community improvement projects; development plans and implementation; project facility program; approval of projects, plans, and programs; bonds; revenue bonds; payment and security; revenue bonds; interest rate, price, and sale; revenue bonds; investment of proceeds and redemption; revenue bonds; subaccounts; trustee; designation, duties; trust indenture; transfer of public lands; community improvement revolving fund; established; use of partnership funds. Requires revenues, income, and receipts derived from the project facilities to be set apart in a separate subaccount and applied solely for the following purposes; the principal and interest on the bonds; the cost of administering, operating, and maintaining the project not to exceed 15 per cent of the sums collected, net of principal and interest payments, on account of assessments and interest for any specific project facility; the establishment of program reserves not to exceed 85 per cent of the sums collected, net of principal and interest payments, on account of assessments and interest for any specific project facility; provided that accumulated reserves shall be credited to and become a part of the special land and development fund, established under provisions relating to special land and development fund, except in the case of a specific project facility that is situated in part or wholly within a small boat harbor, in which case those accumulated reserves attributable to the portions of the facility situated in the small boat harbor shall be credited to and become a part of the boating special fund; and other purposes as may be authorized in the proceedings providing for the issuance of the bonds. -- Establishes provisions relating to exemption from taxation; exemption from requirements; annual report. Report to the legislature. -- Appropriation into and out of the community improvement revolving fund to the transit oriented community improvement partnership for the establishment and operation of the transit oriented community improvement partnership; and the establishment of 4 positions as follows; 1 permanent full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) executive director position; 1 permanent full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) planner position; and 1 permanent full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) project development specialist position; and 1 permanent full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) administrative assistant position. (\$\$) -- SB1669 SD2  
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HB0003 HD2 (HSCR 1030)

RELATING TO BEACH MANAGEMENT ON THE NORTH SHORE OF OAHU.

Introduced by: Quinlan S

Amends Act 226, Session Laws of Hawaii 2024, relating to beach management on the north shore of Oahu. Requires the university of Hawaii sea grant college program to submit the north shore beach management plan to the governor and legislature by December 1, 2026 (report to the legislature). -- Appropriation to the university of Hawaii for the university of Hawaii sea grant college program to develop a north shore beach management plan for the area from Sunset point to Kapo'o (Sharks Cove) pursuant to this provision; provided that the appropriation made by this Act shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal biennium for which the appropriation is made; provided that all moneys from the appropriation unencumbered as of June 30, 2026, shall lapse as of that date (\$\$). --

HB0003 HD2

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HB0036 HD2 (HSCR 1056)

RELATING TO EXCITED DELIRIUM.

Introduced by: Takayama G

Establishes provisions relating to medical diagnosis; cause of death; excited delirium prohibited. Prohibits excited delirium to be recognized as a valid medical diagnosis or cause of death in the state. Prohibits a local health officer or local agent of the department of health from stating on a certificate of death or in any report that the cause of death was excited delirium. -- Establishes provisions relating to incident reports; excited delirium prohibited. Prohibits a law enforcement officer to use the term excited delirium to describe an individual in an incident report. -- Establishes provisions relating to excited delirium; prohibition. Prohibits evidence that a person suffered or experienced excited delirium to be admitted in any civil action. -- HB0036 HD2

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HB0048 HD2 (HSCR 1049)

RELATING TO COFFEE LABELING.

Introduced by: Kahaloa K, Kusch M, Lowen N

Amends provisions relating to hawaii-grown and hawaii-processed coffee; labeling or advertising requirements by changing its title to hawaii-grown and -processed coffee; labeling or advertising requirements. Establishes geographic origin requirements for identity statements used to label specific coffee beverages produced in whole or in part from hawaii-grown and processed coffee. Defines regional origin to mean any coffee growing region of the world, except those in the state, where green coffee beans are grown and processed. -- HB0048 HD2

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HB0054 HD2 (HSCR 1067)

RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES.

Introduced by: Kitagawa L

Amends provisions relating to excessive speeding. Establishes an increase in the penalty for a 3rd or subsequent offense of this provision within 5 years of excessive speeding to a misdemeanor with a mandatory minimum jail sentence of 30 days. Allows the vehicle used in the commission of the offense to be subject to forfeiture under forfeiture law. -- HB0054 HD2

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HB0070 HD1 (HSCR 253)

RELATING TO CONDOMINIUM.

Introduced by: Matayoshi S, Chun C

Amends provisions relating to association fiscal matters; budgets and replacement reserves. Requires the budget summary to contain all required information without referring the reader to other portions of the budget. Requires no association or entity that, and no person who, makes a good faith effort to calculate the estimated replacement reserves assessments required by this section to be liable in the event that the estimate subsequently proves incorrect. Requires the defense of good faith to be unavailable to an association whenever its board adopts a budget that omits the summary required by provision. Requires any unit owner to have standing to bring an action alleging a violation of this provision against an association that the unit owner is a member of, and may seek an injunction to enforce compliance with this provision by the association's board. Requires the association to have the burden of proving substantial compliance with this section in any such action. -- HB0070 HD1

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HB0072 HD2 (HSCR 529)

### RELATING TO PHARMACY.

Introduced by: Matayoshi S, Chun C

Establishes provisions relating to registered pharmacy technicians; registration required under pharmacists and pharmacy law. Provides that beginning January 1, 2026, no person shall act as a pharmacy technician without 1st obtaining a valid registration issued by the board pursuant to this section. Provides that if the registered pharmacy technician is suspected to have violated any law or rule regarding the practice of pharmacy, legend drugs, or controlled substances or if there is evidence that a registered pharmacy technician may have violated any such law or rule, the pharmacist-in-charge shall notify the board, in writing, within 10 days or, if any danger to the public health or safety exists, immediately. -- Amends provisions relating to definitions under pharmacists and pharmacy law. Defines auxiliary pharmacy personnel, registered pharmacy technician, and supervision. -- Amends provisions relating to powers and duties; qualifications for license by changing its title to registered pharmacists; qualifications for license; pharmacist in charge; pharmacy personnel. Provides that the supervising registered pharmacist shall supervise the actions of the pharmacy intern. -- Amends provisions relating to Vaccinations; children; disciplinary action. -- HB0072 HD2

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HB0086 HD2 (HSCR 1031)

### RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES.

Introduced by: Poepoe M, Amato T, Belatti D, Chun C, Grandinetti T, Holt D, Ichiyama L, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Kusch M, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Marten L, Olds I, Perruso A, Quinlan S, Souza K

Appropriation to the department of land and natural resources for the establishment of \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) permanent program specialist V positions to support the ongoing coordination and implementation of the makai watch program. (\$\$) -- HB0086 HD2

Current Status: Mar=06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB0088 HD1 (HSCR 179)

### RELATING TO STUDENT ATHLETES.

Introduced by: Poepoe M, Chun C, Iwamoto K, Kapela J, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Perruso A, Souza K

Establishes a 3 year student athlete travel pilot program to be administered by the department of education to provide funding for intra-county travel expenses for student athletes of counties with a population of less than 500,000. Requires the department of education to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, on the student athlete travel pilot program to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2028. (Report to the legislature). Establishes requirements for the report. Requires the pilot program to cease to exist on June 30, 2028 (sunset). -- Appropriation to the department of education for the establishment and implementation of the student athlete travel pilot program pursuant to this Act; provided that the funds appropriated may be used for the hiring of an athletic clerk to assist with travel procurement and the implementation of the pilot program. (\$\$) -- HB0088 HD1

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HB0089 HD3 (HSCR 1035)

### RELATING TO TEACHER HOUSING.

Introduced by: Poepoe M, Belatti D, Evslin L, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Holt D, Iwamoto K, Kila D, Kitagawa L, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Perruso A, Quinlan S, Souza K, Tam A, Tarnas D

Establishes provisions relating to teacher housing assistance program. Establishes a teacher housing assistance program to be administered by the department of education to provide housing vouchers to eligible teachers. Requires housing vouchers to be provided to eligible teachers through a lottery process if the number of applications exceeds the number of available housing vouchers. Establishes criteria for the teacher housing assistance program. -- Amends provisions relating to teachers' housing revolving fund. -- Appropriation out of the teachers' housing revolving fund to the department of education for the provision of housing vouchers through the teacher housing assistance program established by this Act. (\$\$) -- HB0089 HD3



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HB0097 HD2 (HSCR 784)

### RELATING TO TRAVEL INSURANCE.

Introduced by: Tam A, Kitagawa L, Marten L, Quinlan S

Establishes provisions relating to travel insurance. Establishes provisions relating to scope and purpose. Requires the purpose of this provision to promote public welfare by creating a comprehensive legal framework to regulate the sale of travel insurance in this State. Requires the requirements of this provision to apply to travel insurance that covers any resident of this State and is sold, solicited, negotiated, or offered in this State; and policies and certificates that are delivered or issued for delivery in this State. Prohibits this provision to apply to cancellation fee waivers or travel assistance services, except as expressly provided in this provision. Requires all other applicable provisions of this State's insurance laws to continue to apply to travel insurance, except that the specific provisions of this provision shall supersede any general provisions of law that would otherwise apply to travel insurance. -- Establishes provisions relating to definitions; licensing and registration; tax on premiums; travel protection plans; sales practices; travel administrators; policy; and rulemaking. -- HB0097 HD2

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HB0103

### RELATING TO SENTENCING.

Introduced by: Tam A, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Perruso A

Amends provisions relating to terms of imprisonment for 1st and 2nd degree murder and attempted 1st and 2nd degree murder; enhanced sentence for 2nd degree murder; and criteria for extended terms of imprisonment by changing the age for which individuals are eligible for life without parole sentences from 18 years of age or older to 21 years of age or older. -- HB0103

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HB0108 HD2 (HSCR 741)

### RELATING TO INTOXICATING LIQUOR.

Introduced by: Morikawa D (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to direct shipment of beer and distilled spirits by manufacturers. Allows specific liquor licensees to obtain a direct beer and distilled spirits shipper permit from the liquor commission of the county in which the beer or distilled spirits will be shipped authorizing the holder to directly ship beer and distilled spirits to persons in the county pursuant to this provision. Allows the holder of the direct beer and distilled spirits shipper permit to sell and ship beer and distilled beginning July 1, 2025. Requires the liquor commission to adopt rules necessary to carry out the intent and purpose of this provision. -- HB0108 HD2

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HB0110 HD1 (HSCR 40)

### RELATING TO LOCAL AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.

Introduced by: Kahaloa K, Evslin L, Garrett A, Kitagawa L, Kusch M, La Chica T, Matayoshi S, Olds I

Amends provisions relating to contracts for food; percentage to be grown within the State. Requires the department of education, department of health, department of corrections and rehabilitation, department of defense, and university of Hawaii system to each ensure that a certain percentage of the food purchased for public schools, youth campuses, public hospitals, public prisons, and any purchases made directly by the university of Hawaii for use in its academic programs, as applicable, is fresh local agricultural products and local value-added, processed, agricultural, or food products, as follows: by January 1, 2025, fresh local agricultural products and local value-added, processed, agricultural, or food products shall constitute a minimum of 10 per cent of the total food purchased during each calendar year, as measured by the per cent of total food cost; provided that the department of education shall be exempt from the requirements of this provision; by January 1, 2030, fresh local agricultural products and local value-added, processed, agricultural, or food products shall constitute a minimum of 18 per cent of the total food purchased during each calendar year, as measured by the per cent of total food cost; provided that the department of education shall be exempt from the requirements of this provision and instead shall be subject to the requirements in provisions relating to farm to school meals; by January 1, 2035, fresh local agricultural products and local value-added, processed, agricultural, or food products shall constitute

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a minimum of 26 per cent of the total food purchased during each calendar year, as measured by the per cent of total food cost; provided that the department of education shall be exempt from the requirements of this provision. -- Amends provisions relating to farm to school meals. Requires the department to ensure by January 1, 2030, fresh local agricultural products and local value-added processed, agricultural, or food products to constitute a minimum 30 per cent of the total food purchased during each calendar year, as measured by the per cent of total food cost. -- HB0110 HD1

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HB0111

### RELATING TO SEX TRAFFICKING.

Introduced by: Ichiyama L

Amends law relating to liability for coercion into prostitution and changes its title to liability for coercion into sex trafficking and sexual exploitation. -- Amends provisions relating to cause of action for coercion into prostitution or sex trafficking and changes its title to cause of action for coercion into sexual exploitation or sex trafficking under liability for coercion into prostitution law. Requires an individual to have a cause of action against a person, business, business owner, or business operator who coerced the individual into sexual exploitation or to remain in sexual exploitation, or subjected the individual to sex trafficking; used coercion to collect or receive any of the individual's earnings derived from sexual exploitation or from being the subject of sex trafficking; hired, or attempted to hire the individual to engage in sexual exploitation, when a reasonable person would believe that the individual was coerced into sexual exploitation by another person or was being subjected to sex trafficking; or profited from coercing the individual into sexual exploitation or subjecting the individual to sex trafficking. -- Amends provisions relating to evidence. Provides that acts that may serve as evidence in support of a claim under provisions relating to cause of action for coercion into sex trafficking or sexual exploitation include disregarding notification or other indications that an individual is being coerced into sexual exploitation or subjected to sex trafficking on premises controlled by the person, business, business owner, or business operator. -- Amends provisions relating to damages. Allows an individual entitled to bring an action under provisions relating to cause of action for coercion into sex trafficking or sexual exploitation to recover economic damages proximately caused by coercion into sexual exploitation or being the subject of sex trafficking; noneconomic damages proximately caused by coercion into sexual exploitation or being the subject of sex trafficking; exemplary damages; reasonable attorney's fees; and costs of suit, including reasonable expenses for expert testimony. -- Amends provisions relating to joinder of parties; statute of limitations. Requires a claim under this law to not be brought against a person, business, business owner, or business operator more than 10 years after an act of coercion into sexual exploitation or an act of sex trafficking by that person. -- Amends provisions relating to stay of action; and other remedies preserved. -- HB0111

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HB0125 HD1 (HSCR 818)

### RELATING TO FIREARMS.

Introduced by: Tarnas D, Amato T, Belatti D, Evslin L, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Kitagawa L, Lowen N, Matayoshi S, Olds I, Perruso A, Sayama J, Takayama G, Tam A Establishes provisions relating to notice of responsibility to securely store firearm. Requires a person engaged in the retail sale or transfer of firearms to, at the time of sale or transfer, provide to the purchaser of a firearm a written copy of storage of firearm; responsibility with respect to minors. Requires any person who violates this provision to be deemed to have engaged in an unfair or deceptive act or practice within the meaning of unfair competition, practices, declared unlawful. -- Amends provisions relating to storage of firearm; responsibility with respect to minors by changing its title to secure storage of firearms. Prohibits a person to store or leave any firearm on any premises under the person's control unless the person: secures the firearm in a locked box or other container, such as a gun safe, or by using a properly engaged tamper-resistant mechanical lock or other tamper-resistant safety device that renders the firearm inoperable by any person other than the owner or lawfully authorized user; stores the firearm in a location that a reasonable person would believe to be secure; or carries the firearm on the person or within such close proximity to the person that the person can readily retrieve and use the firearm as if it were carried on the person. Requires any person who violates this provision to be guilty of a violation and fined no more than 500 dollars; provided that a person who commits the offense of criminally negligent storage of a firearm under criminally negligent storage of a firearm shall be guilty of a

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misdemeanor. Requires any person who violates this provision to be strictly liable for damages incurred if the firearm obtained as a result of the violation is used to injure a person or property within 2 years of the violation; provided that this provision shall not apply if: the injury results from a lawful act of self-defense or defense of another person; or the unsecured firearm was obtained by a person as a result of a person entering or remaining on the premises unlawfully. Prohibits this provision to apply to a person in an exempt category identified in exemptions under the Firearms, Ammunition and Dangerous Weapons law. Defines premises to not include a vehicle. -- Amends provisions relating to criminally negligent storage of a firearm. Provides that a person commits the offense of criminally negligent storage of a firearm if: the person knows or reasonably should know that a minor is likely to gain access to the firearm without the permission of the parent or guardian of the minor. Defines minor to mean any person under the age of 18 years. -- HB0125 HD1

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### HB0126 HD1 (HSCR 618)

#### RELATING TO PROPERTY FORFEITURE.

Introduced by: Tarnas D, Amato T, Belatti D, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Kitagawa L, Lamosao R, Marten L, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Souza K, Takayama G  
Establishes provisions relating to records of forfeited property. Requires each seizing agency to maintain specific records for all property seized for purposes of forfeiture. Requires the seizing agency to maintain all records of forfeited property; make the records open to inspection; and post the records on a publicly accessible website. -- Amends provisions relating to property subject to forfeiture; exemption. Prohibits this law to apply to the forfeiture of an animal pursuant to provisions relating to forfeiture of animal prior to filing of or final disposition of criminal charges. Provides that this provision shall not prohibit or restrict forfeitures authorized by law other than this law. -- Amends provisions relating to disposition of property forfeited. Requires all unencumbered and unexpended moneys in excess of 1,000,000 dollars remaining on balance in the criminal forfeiture fund at the close of June 30 of each year to be deposited to the credit of the state general fund. Report to the legislature. -- Amends provisions relating to construction. Provides that it is the intent of the legislature that this law be construed so as to effect the purposes of this law. -- HB0126 HD1

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### HB0127 HD1 (HSCR 819)

#### RELATING TO PRETRIAL RELEASE.

Introduced by: Tarnas D, Belatti D, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Marten L, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Souza K, Takayama G  
Amends provisions relating to right to a prompt hearing; release or detention under bail; bond to keep the peace law. Requires bail to be set in an amount that the defendant can afford based on specified criteria. -- HB0127 HD1

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### HB0128 HD1 (HSCR 820)

#### RELATING TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM.

Introduced by: Tarnas D, Iwamoto K, Matayoshi S, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Sayama J, Takayama G  
Amends provisions relating to by police officer without warrant. Allows a police officer or other officer of justice, to, without warrant, arrest and detain for examination any person when the officer has probable cause to believe that the person committed any felony or misdemeanor offense, whether in the officer's presence or otherwise. Allows a police officer or other officer of justice, to, without warrant, arrest and detain for examination any person when the officer has probable cause to believe that the person committed any petty misdemeanor or violation, whether in the officer's presence or otherwise, and the officer is reasonably satisfied that the person: will not appear in court at the time designated; has an outstanding arrest warrant that would justify the person's detention or gives indication that the person might fail to appear in court; committed an offense of such nature that there will be further police contact on or about the date in question, or in the immediate future; or must be detained to prevent bodily injury to that person or another person. Requires, in any case in which an officer arrests an individual for a petty misdemeanor or violation, the officer to record which of the factors under this provision justified the arrest. -- Amends provisions relating to arrest, how made by changing its title to arrest, how made; citations in lieu of arrest. -- HB0128 HD1

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HB0131

### RELATING TO RESEARCH.

Introduced by: Tarnas D, Belatti D, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Kapela J, Kitagawa L, Marten L, Perruso A, Pierick E, Poepoe M, Souza K, Tam A

Establishes provisions relating to disclosure of research records. Allows, notwithstanding government records; exceptions to general rule, an agency to disclose government records to a researcher for a research purpose. -- Establishes provisions relating to general definitions under the Uniform Information Practices Act. Defines research purpose to mean a non-commercial objective to develop, study, or report aggregate or anonymous information that is not intended to be used in any way in which the identity of an individual is material to the results. Defines researcher to mean a government agency, hospital, educational institution, news media, nonprofit organization, or other similar organization that requests a research record. -- Amends provisions relating to power and duties of the office of information practices. Allows the director of the office of information practices to adopt rules that set forth uniform standards for disclosure of records to researchers for research purposes. -- HB0131

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HB0132 HD1 (HSCR 795)

### RELATING TO EXPUNGEMENT.

Introduced by: Tarnas D, Belatti D, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Kapela J, Kusch M, Lee M, Marten L, Perruso A, Poepoe M

Amends Act 62, Session Laws of Hawaii 2024, relating to expungement. Repeals preamble language concerning the possession of less than 1 ounce of marijuana. Requires the department of the attorney general to establish and administer a pilot project beginning on the effective date of this Act and ending on October 1, 2025, for a state-initiated project to expunge certain arrest records relating to the offense under provisions relating to promoting a detrimental drug in the 3rd degree. Requires notwithstanding provisions relating to expungement orders, or any other law to the contrary, the department of the attorney general to issue, without any written application by the holder of an arrest record and on the department's own initiative, an expungement order annulling, cancelling, and rescinding the arrest record where: the arrest resulted in a single charge of violating provision relating to promoting a detrimental drug in the 3rd degree. -- HB0132 HD1

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HB0133 HD2 (HSCR 758)

### RELATING TO SURFING.

Introduced by: Quinlan S, Evslin L, Grandinetti T, Holt D, Kahaloa K, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Lowen N, Marten L, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Sayama J, Tam A

Appropriation to the department of education to support the establishment of surfing as an interscholastic sport. (\$\$) -- HB0133 HD2

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HB0134 HD1 (HSCR 172)

### RELATING TO ELECTIONS.

Introduced by: Quinlan S, Chun C, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Kusch M, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Olds I, Pierick E, Poepoe M, Reyes Oda J, Souza K

Amends provisions relating to Nomination paper; format; limitations under primary elections law. Requires the chief election officer to provide a system for the electronic filing of nomination papers. -- Amends provisions relating to nomination papers: time for filing; fees by changing its title to nomination papers: time for filing; manner of filing; fees. Allows nomination papers to be filed electronically. -- Appropriation to the office of elections for the chief election officer to provide a system for the electronic filing of nomination papers, including the submission of the notarized written oath or affirmation and any other required documentation and the deposit of the filing fee. (\$\$) -- HB0134 HD1

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HB0137 HD1 (HSCR 829)

### RELATING TO FIREARMS.

Introduced by: Quinlan S, Chun C, Evslin L, Holt D, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Kusch M, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Marten L, Morikawa D, Olds I, Tam A

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Amends provisions relating to ownership, possession, or control prohibited, when; penalty. Requires any person violating this provision to be guilty of a class C felony; provided that any felon violating provision shall be guilty of a class B felony and if said prior felony conviction is that of a crime of violence, as defined in provision under firearms, ammunition and dangerous weapons law, the defendant shall be sentenced to an indeterminate term of imprisonment as provided by law. Requires any person violating these provisions to be guilty of a misdemeanor. -- HB0137 HD1

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### HB0139 HD2 (HSCR 526)

#### RELATING TO INSURANCE.

Introduced by: Quinlan S, Amato T, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Kitagawa L, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Tam A

Establishes provisions relating to standard fertility preservation services coverage under insurance code law; and benefit societies law; required provisions and benefits under health maintenance organization act law. Requires health insurance policies issued or renewed in the state after December 31, 2025, to provide to coverage for standard fertility preservation services for any insured who may undergo a medically necessary treatment that may directly or indirectly cause iatrogenic infertility. -- HB0139 HD2

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### HB0141 HD1 (HSCR 821)

#### RELATING TO THE ELECTIONS COMMISSION.

Introduced by: Tam A, Belatti D, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Marten L

Amends provisions relating to elections commission. Requires there to be established an elections commission with the department of accounting and general services for administrative purposes. Requires the elections commission to consist of 9 members who shall be nominated and, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, appointed as follows: the president of the senate shall nominate 2 elections commission members; the speaker of the house of representatives shall nominate 2 elections commission members; the senators belonging to a party or parties different from the president of the senate shall designate 1 senator to nominate 2 elections commission members; the representatives belonging to a party or parties different from the speaker of the house of representatives shall designate 1 representative to nominate 2 elections commission members; and 1 member, who shall serve as chairperson of the elections commission, shall be nominated by a vote of 2/3 of all members to which the elections commission is entitled and who have already been appointed and confirmed pursuant this provision; provided that each group of 4 elections commission members appointed by each house shall include 1 elections commission member from each of the 4 counties. Requires a vacancy in the elections commission to be filled in the same manner as the original appointment as specified in this provision within 15 days; provided that if the vacancy occurs in the interim period when the senate is not in regular session or special session, the chief justice of the supreme court shall promptly appoint the member nominated. Requires a majority of all members to which the commission is entitled to constitute a quorum to do business. -- HB0141 HD1

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### HB0145 HD1 (HSCR 796)

#### RELATING TO EXPUNGEMENT.

Introduced by: Tamas D, Belatti D, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kusch M, Marten L, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Souza K, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tam A

Amends provisions relating to expungement orders. Requires every expungement order with a court case number issued by the attorney general to be transmitted to the judiciary solely for the purposes of this provision. Requires the court to seal or otherwise remove from the judiciary's publicly accessible electronic databases all judiciary files and other information pertaining to the applicable arrest or case of any person for whom an expungement order listing the court case number and arrest number associated with the offense has been entered and transmitted to the court; provided that the court's duties under this subsection shall not apply to any case referenced in the expungement order where the person for whom the order has been entered; was charged with multiple offenses at least 1 of which is not the subject of the order; or is only 1 of multiple defendants in the case at least 1 of whom has not been the subject of a prior expungement order. -- HB0145 HD1

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HB0159 HD1 (HSCR 481)

### RELATING TO QUALIFIED COMMUNITY REHABILITATION PROGRAMS.

Introduced by: Sayama J, Lee M

Amends provisions relating to civil service and exemptions. Exempts positions or contracts for personal services with private persons or entities for services lasting no longer than 1 year and at a cost of no more than 750,000 dollars; provided that the exemption under this provision shall apply to contracts for building, custodial, and grounds maintenance services with qualified community rehabilitation programs lasting for no longer than a year and at a cost of no more than 850,000 dollars in the aggregate per private person or entity, regardless of the number of contracts or qualified community rehabilitation programs utilized for the personal service. -- HB0159 HD1

Current Status: Mar=04 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate

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HB0162 HD2 (HSCR 1068)

### RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING.

Introduced by: Sayama J, Lee M

Amends provisions relating to resolution of disputes; impasses under collective bargaining in public employment law. Provides that in the event that the parties fail to select the neutral 3rd member of the arbitration panel within 30 days from the date of impasse, the board shall request the american arbitration association, the federal mediation and conciliation service, or its successors in function, to furnish a list of 5 qualified and experienced interest arbitrators from which the neutral arbitrator shall be selected; provided that the list of 5 interest arbitrators may contain interest arbitrators from both the american arbitration association, federal mediation and conciliation service, or its successors. -- HB0162 HD2

Current Status: Mar=06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate

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HB0164 HD1 (HSCR 478)

### RELATING TO INDEBTEDNESS TO THE STATE.

Introduced by: Sayama J, Lee M

Amends provisions relating to salary withheld for indebtedness to the government under public service law. Requires disbursing officers to notify employees within 60 days of making a determination that an indebtedness has occurred to the government resulting from salary or wage overpayment. Amends the amount that a disbursing officer may deduct from an employee's salary, wage, or compensation based on the employee's gross income. -- HB0164 HD1

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HB0175 HD1 (HSCR 55)

### RELATING TO PROPERTY MAINTENANCE.

Introduced by: Lamosao R, Chun C, Grandinetti T, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Olds I, Perruso A, Takenouchi J, Tam A, Tarnas D, Todd C

Establishes the real property maintenance law. Establishes provisions relating to real property maintenance; requirements. Requires it to be the responsibility of any owner or lessee of real property to ensure that their real property is regularly maintained to prevent; the proliferation of invasive species, including but not limited to plants, shrubs, grasses, or other vegetation that are known to spread aggressively and threaten native ecosystems and are already listed as noxious, restricted, or prohibited species by county, state, or federal authorities; conditions that raise the risk of wildfires, such as excessive accumulation of dry vegetation, debris, or other combustible materials; and public safety hazards, including overgrowth of vegetation that obstructs pathways, roads, or access for emergency responders. -- Establishes provisions relating to penalties; exceptions; procedures for implementation of law; fines; purposes; and other responsibilities and requirements. -- HB0175 HD1

Current Status: Mar=06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate

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HB0177 HD1 (HSCR 377)

### RELATING TO CIVIL IDENTIFICATION CARDS.

Introduced by: Lamosao R, Chun C, Grandinetti T, Kila D, Kitagawa L, La Chica T, Lowen N, Marten L, Miyake T, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Takenouchi J

Amends provisions relating to issuance of identification card or temporary card; non-compliant identification cards; limited purpose identification cards; application for identification card; expiration; renewal; replacement; correction or alteration of records

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and identification cards in cases of error or subsequent changes concerning names, citizenship, description, etc.; and rules under highway safety law. Requires the issuance or renewal of a civil identification card free of charge. -- Repeals provisions relating to civil identification card fee special fund. -- Requires any unexpended and unencumbered balance of the civil identification card fee special fund to as of the close of business on June 30, 2025, lapse to the general fund. -- HB0177 HD1

Current Status: Mar=04 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB0194 HD1 (HSCR 296)

RELATING TO MARITIME DAY.

Introduced by: Souza K, Perruso A, Poepoe M

Establishes provisions relating to Maritime Day under Holidays and Periods of Recognition and Observance law. Requires May 22 of each year to be known and designated as Maritime Day, to preserve Hawaii's maritime history and celebrate the importance of the maritime industry to the State's economy and culture. Provides that this day is not and shall not be construed to be a state holiday. -- HB0194 HD1

Current Status: Mar=06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB0202 HD1 (HSCR 476)

RELATING TO THE ADEQUATE RESERVE FUND.

Introduced by: Sayama J, Lee M, Takenouchi J, Yamashita K

Amends provisions relating to definitions for experience rating provisions. Redefines adequate reserve fund to mean an amount that is equal to: 1 and 1/4, for calendar year 2026; and 1 and 1/2, for calendar year 2027 and thereafter, times the amount derived by multiplying the benefit cost rate that is the highest during the ten-year period ending on November 30 of each year by the total remuneration paid by all employers, with respect to all employment for which contributions are payable during the last 4 calendar quarters ending on June 30 of the same year, as reported on contribution reports filed on or before October 31 of the same year, but shall not include the benefit cost rate from June 2020 through August 2021. -- HB0202 HD1

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HB0212 HD2 (HSCR 1018)

RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS.

Introduced by: Tam A, Iwamoto K, Kila D, Kusch M, Lamosao R, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Olds I, Poepoe M, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tarnas D, Todd C

Establishes provisions relating to Return-to-home program. Requires the statewide office on homelessness and housing solutions to coordinate a voluntary homeless assistance program, to be known as the return-to-home program, to provide eligible homeless individuals with assistance in being reunited with family and relatives in the individual's home state. Requires the office to establish a public-private partnership by contracting with eligible nonprofit organizations, for-profit organizations, or foundations to administer the program in compliance with Hawaii Public Procurement Code law and Purchases of Health and Human Services law. Allows the governor's coordinator on homelessness to assist with the implementation of this program. Requires an individual who is homeless to be eligible to participate in the return-to-home program if: the individual is indigent and lacks the financial resources necessary to secure transportation to return to the individual's home state; the statewide office on homelessness and housing solutions, or an agency contracted to administer the program, contacts the family or support group of the individual and the family or support group confirms their acceptance of the individual returning to their home; and the individual's family or support group agrees to pay for half of the cost of transportation for the individual to return to the individual's home state; provided that this paragraph shall not apply if the family or support group lacks the resources necessary to cover half the cost of transportation for the individual; provided further that the office or the agency contracted to administer the program shall verify the family or support group's lack of resources before covering the entire flight cost of the individual. -- Requires the statewide office on homelessness and housing solutions to submit a report of its findings and recommendations relating to the return-to-home program, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session (report to the legislature). Repeals Act 94, Session Laws of Hawaii 2023, relating to homelessness. -- Appropriation to the statewide office on homelessness and housing solutions for the return-to-home program, including: \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) position to assist and supervise the program; and operation costs and other current expenses relating to the program (\$\$). -- HB0212 HD2

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HB0213 HD1 (HSCR 323)

RELATING TO LOAN REPAYMENT FOR HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS.

Introduced by: Takayama G, Kitagawa L, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Morikawa D, Olds I, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Sayama J, Souza K, Takenouchi J, Tarnas D, Todd C, Ward G

Appropriation to the department of health for the healthcare education loan repayment program. (\$\$) -- HB0213 HD1

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HB0214 HD1 (HSCR 537)

RELATING TO GOVERNMENT.

Introduced by: Takayama G, Kila D, Kitagawa L, La Chica T, Marten L, Miyake T, Olds I, Souza K, Tarnas D, Todd C

Amends provisions relating to employment of retirants. Allows a retirant to be employed without reenrollment in the system and suffer no loss or interruption of benefits provided by the system or under hawaii employer-union health benefits trust fund law if the retirant is employed as a school resource officer identified by the department of law enforcement as a labor shortage or difficult-to-fill position; or as an investigator identified by the department of the attorney general as a labor shortage or difficult-to-fill position under certain conditions. Requires the director of human resources of the appropriate state jurisdiction or the human resources management chief executive of each county to submit an annual report to the legislature detailing the employment of retirants under this provision including the number and positions of retirants respectively no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular legislative session. (Report to the legislature).

-- HB0214 HD1

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HB0226 HD3 (HSCR 1091)

RELATING TO WINDSHIELD TINTING.

Introduced by: Kila D, Chun C, Garrett A, Kahaloa K, Miyake T

Amends provisions relating to regulation of motor vehicle sun screening devices; penalty. Prohibits any person to install, mount, adhere, affix, or use any sun screening device or combination of devices in conjunction with the glazing material of a motor vehicle: with mirrored, metallic, red, yellow, amber, or blue tint. Requires, notwithstanding this provision, all drivers and passengers of motor vehicles with applied tint to fully roll down their windows when stopped by a law enforcement officer at a traffic stop. Prohibits this provision to apply to: sun screening devices for side windows necessary for driving visibility that are to the rear of the driver and for rear windows on sedans, vans, minivans, trucks, and buses necessary for driving visibility, when used in conjunction with the glazing material, have a light transmittance of no less than 20 per cent plus or minus 6 per cent. Requires any person who violates this provision to be fined: no less than 300 dollars and no more than 550 dollars for each separate offense if the person is the owner of the motor vehicle [which] that is in violation; and no less than 700 dollars and no more than 1,200 dollars for each separate offense if the person or business entity is the installer of any sun screening device that does not meet the requirements of this section. Requires the installer to also reinstall sun protective devices that comply with this provision, free of charge, or reimburse the motor vehicle owner for the cost of installing sun protective devices by another installer that comply with this provision. -- HB0226 HD3

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HB0228 HD1 (HSCR 73)

RELATING TO LICENSE PLATES.

Introduced by: Kila D, Chun C, Kahaloa K, Lamosao R, Miyake T, Poepoe M, Takenouchi J

Establishes provisions relating to electronic license plates. Allows each county to adopt rules, including the assessment of any reasonable fees, authorizing the use of an electronic license plate in lieu of 1 or both physical license plates furnished by the director of finance; provided that: the displayed electronic license plate shall comply with all the requirements of number plates; purchase and standard size license plates, as applicable; the owner of the vehicle shall be solely responsible for purchasing the electronic license plate display device from an authorized manufacturer; and the electronic license plate shall not display a plate number other than the number registered to the vehicle. -- Establishes provisions relating to license plate flipping devices; prohibited and intentional obscuring of a license plate prohibited under the Highway Safety law. Prohibits any person



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to operate a motor vehicle with, possess, purchase, install, sell, offer for sale, or otherwise distribute a license plate flipping device. Requires, notwithstanding any other provisions of this law, any person who violates this provision to be fined no less than 750 dollars but no more than 1,000 dollars for each separate violation. Defines license plate flipping device to mean a manual, electric, or mechanical device designed or adapted to be installed on a motor vehicle that: switches between 2 or more license plates for the purpose of allowing a motor vehicle operator to change the license plate displayed on the operator's motor vehicle; or hides a license plate from view by flipping the license plate so that the plate number is not visible. -- Requires intentionally obscuring a vehicle's license plate through the use of a cover or shield to be prohibited. Requires any violation of this provision to be punishable by a fine of no less than 500 dollars but no more than 1,000 dollars for each offense. -- HB0228 HD1

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### HB0229 HD1 (HSCR 381)

#### RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

Introduced by: Kila D, Lamosao R, Miyake T

Establishes provisions relating to speed limits for certain vehicles; penalties. Prohibits, notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, any person to drive a motor vehicle with 3 or more axles or a motor vehicle weighing more than 10,000 pounds, except for school or public buses, at a speed exceeding: 50 miles per hour or more irrespective of the applicable state or county speed limit; or 5 miles per hour less than the applicable state or county speed limit. Prohibits this provision to apply to a motor vehicle with 3 or more axles when: actively overtaking and passing another vehicle traveling in the same direction in compliance with applicable traffic laws; and utilizing the left lane for the purpose of making a left turn, exiting, or preparing to do so. Requires any person violating this provision to be fined no less than 150 dollars for the 1st offense and no more than 350 dollars for any subsequent offense within a 2-year period. Requires this provision to apply only to a county with a population of 500,000 or more; provided that a county with a population of less than 500,000 may adopt an ordinance to establish the restrictions provided for in this provision. Defines motor vehicle with 3 or more axles to mean a vehicle with a Federal Highway Administration vehicle category classification of 6 or higher. -- HB0229 HD1

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### HB0235 HD1 (HSCR 706)

#### RELATING TO TRAFFIC SAFETY.

Introduced by: Quinlan S

Requires, notwithstanding the pilot program, the department of transportation to expand the use of photo red light imaging detector systems, pursuant to Photo Red Light Imaging Detector Systems law, and automated speed enforcement systems, pursuant to Automated Speed Enforcement Systems law, to locations on the north shore of Oahu. Requires the department of transportation to submit to the legislature a report concerning its progress in implementing this provision no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026 (report to the legislature). -- HB0235 HD1

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### HB0237 HD1 (HSCR 444)

#### RELATING TO PEER SUPPORT PROGRAMS.

Introduced by: Kitagawa L, Chun C, Grandinetti T, Kusch M, Lamosao R, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Takenouchi J

Appropriation to the department of health for the family health services division of the department to establish and support peer to peer support programs for families with children from birth to age 5. (\$\$) -- HB0237 HD1

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### HB0239 HD1 (HSCR 255)

#### RELATING TO CHILD ABUSE.

Introduced by: Marten L, Chun C, Grandinetti T, Ichiyama L, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Matayoshi S, Olds I, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Souza K, Takayama G, Tam A

Amends provisions relating definitions. Redefines child abuse or neglect to mean that when the child is not provided in a timely manner with adequate food, clothing, shelter, psychological care, physical care, medical care, or supervision and the reason the person responsible for providing those things fails, refuses, or is unable to do so is not due solely

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to the lack of the person's financial means. -- HB0239 HD1

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HB0242 HD1 (HSCR 502)

RELATING TO ELECTRIC VEHICLE BATTERIES.

Introduced by: Marten L, Amato T, Chun C, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Kitagawa L, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Matayoshi S, Olds I, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Souza K, Takenouchi J, Tam A

Establishes within the Hawaii state energy office an electric vehicle battery recycling and reuse working group to examine how to maximize the recycling and reuse of electric vehicle batteries and recommend electric vehicle battery management practices. Requires the working group to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2027. (Report to Legislature) -- HB0242 HD1

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HB0244 HD1 (HSCR 523)

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES.

Introduced by: Marten L, Chun C, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Kila D, Kitagawa L, La Chica T, Matayoshi S, Morikawa D, Olds I, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Souza K, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tam A

Appropriation to the department of human services to collaborate with contracted community based organizations to address the need for social services in the state. (\$\$) -- HB0244 HD1

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HB0250 HD2 (HSCR 671)

RELATING TO HEALTH.

Introduced by: Marten L, Amato T, Iwamoto K, Takayama G, Tam A, Tarnas D, Todd C  
Establishes provisions relating to prior authorization; reporting under health planning and resources development and health care cost control law. Requires each utilization review entity doing business in the State to file an annual report containing data related to the prior authorization of health care services for the preceding calendar year with the state agency no later than January 1 of each year, in a form and manner prescribed by the state agency. Requires the state agency to post each report on its website no later than 3 months before the start of the reporting period. -- Establishes provisions relating to prior authorization for non-urgent health care services; submission of request; determination time frame; automatic approval. Requires a health care professional to submit a prior authorization request for a non-urgent health care to the utilization review entity no later than 5 calendar days before the provision of the health care service. -- Establishes provisions relating to prior authorization request for urgent health care services; determination time frame; automatic approval. Requires a prior authorization request submitted for an urgent health care service to be deemed approved twenty-four hours after the submission of the request if the utilization review entity fails to approve or deny the request and notify the enrollee or the enrollee's health care provider; request from the health care facility or health care professional all additional information needed to render a decision; or notify the health care facility or health care professional that prior authorization is being questioned for medical necessity, within the twenty-four-hour period. Requires the utilization review entity to have an additional 12 hours to process the request from the time the health care facility or health care professional submits the additional information requested pursuant to this provision. -- Establishes provisions relating to health care appropriateness and necessity working group; established. Establishes the health care appropriateness and necessity working group within the state health planning and development agency. Report to the legislature. -- Amends provisions relating to definitions under the health planning and resources development and health care cost control law. -- HB0250 HD2

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HB0256 HD2 (HSCR 1050)

RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.

Introduced by: Matayoshi S, Chun C

Requires an owner or operator of a waste-to-energy facility to comply with certain united states environmental protection agency regulations for emission limitations as they existed on December 31, 2024, unless emission limitations are made more stringent by federal regulations or by the state air pollution control permit issued to that owner or

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operator by the department of health. -- Requires this Act to be repealed on June 30, 2027 (sunset). -- HB0256 HD2

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HB0277 HD2 (HSCR 1160)

RELATING TO VEHICULAR PURSUIT.

Introduced by: Tarnas D, Grandinetti T, Kapela J, Marten L, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Souza K

Establishes provisions relating to vehicular pursuit under law enforcement standards law. Establishes a statewide vehicular pursuit policy for law enforcement agencies. -- HB0277 HD2

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HB0280 HD3 (HSCR 1019)

RELATING TO THE COMMUNITY OUTREACH COURT.

Introduced by: Tarnas D, Amato T, Belatti D, Garcia D, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kitagawa L, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Olds I, Poepoe M, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tam A, Todd C

Establishes the community outreach court law. Establishes provisions relating to community outreach court; establishment. Requires the community outreach court to be established as a division of the district court of the 1st circuit. Requires the community outreach court to be held at any duly designated location within the 1st judicial circuit by any designated judge of the community outreach court. -- Repeals Act 55, Session Laws of Hawaii 2017, relating to community court outreach project. -- Appropriation to the judiciary for the operations of the community outreach court, including \_\_\_\_ dollars for security through a contracted service provider; \_\_\_\_ dollars for facilities and associated costs, including for use of the Waianae public library; \_\_\_\_ dollars for equipment, including laptops and a mobile hotspot for internet access; \_\_\_\_ dollars for transportation costs, including a van and associated parking costs; and \_\_\_\_ dollars for other miscellaneous operational needs, including driver permit workbooks, printer cartridges, pencils, erasers, pens, markers, paper towels, and other office supplies. -- Allows the judiciary to enter into an intergovernmental agreement or memorandum of understanding with the office of the public defender, department of the prosecuting attorney of the city and county of Honolulu, department of the attorney general, or any other agency of the State or the city and county of Honolulu for the purpose of collaboration, cooperation, coordination, combination of resources, funding distribution, or the administration of the community outreach court. -- Appropriation to the judiciary to establish permanent positions in support of the community outreach court, including \_\_\_\_ dollars each for \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) court clerk positions; \_\_\_\_ dollars for \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) court bailiff position; \_\_\_\_ dollars for \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) adult client services branch judicial clerk V position; and \_\_\_\_ dollars each for \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) adult client services social worker positions. -- Appropriation to the judiciary for \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) deputy sheriff positions to support the community outreach court. -- Appropriation to the department of the attorney general for \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) deputy attorney general tasked with duties for the community outreach court. -- Appropriation to the office of public defender for permanent positions in support of the community outreach court, including \_\_\_\_ dollars for \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) deputy public defender; \_\_\_\_ dollars for \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) paralegal; and \_\_\_\_ dollars for \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) social service or mental health care professional assigned to the office of the public defender. -- Appropriation to the office of the prosecuting attorney of the city and county of Honolulu as a grant-in-aid for permanent positions in the office of the prosecuting attorney of the city and county of Honolulu in support of the community outreach court, including \_\_\_\_ dollars for \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) deputy prosecuting attorney; \_\_\_\_ dollars for \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) paralegal; and \_\_\_\_ dollars for \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) legal assistant. (\$\$) -- HB0280 HD3

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HB0286 HD2 (HSCR 1036)

RELATING TO THE INDIVIDUAL HOUSING ACCOUNT PROGRAM.

Introduced by: Matsumoto L, Alcos III D, Garcia D, Muraoka C, Pierick E, Reyes Oda J, Shimizu G, Ward G

Amends provisions relating to individual housing accounts under income tax law. Increases the maximum annual deduction for contributions to, and maximum account

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levels for, individual housing accounts. -- HB0286 HD2

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HB0299 HD1 (HSCR 146)

RELATING TO THE HAWAII INVASIVE SPECIES COUNCIL.

Introduced by: Kahaloa K, Belatti D, Chun C, Evslin L, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Holt D, Iwamoto K, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Kusch M, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tam A, Tarnas D, Todd C

Appropriation to the department of land and natural resources for the native resources and fire protection program and Hawaii invasive species council to address the invasive species crisis. (\$\$) -- HB0299 HD1

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HB0302 HD2 (HSCR 428)

RELATING TO CANNABIS.

Introduced by: Takayama G, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Marten L, Perruso A, Sayama J, Tam A, Todd C

Amends provisions relating to registration requirements; qualifying patients; primary caregivers under the Uniform Controlled Substances law. Requires the certifying physician or advanced practice registered nurse to be required to have a bona fide physician-patient relationship or bona fide advanced practice registered nurse-patient relationship, as applicable, with the qualifying patient; provided that nothing under this part shall require that the bona fide physician-patient relationship or bona fide advanced practice registered nurse-patient relationship be established by conducting an initial in-person consultation. Allows, after the submission of the applicant's form but before receipt of confirmed registration from the department of health, the applicant or primary caregiver to use the submission of the applicant's form as proof and documentation authorizing the applicant or primary caregiver to enter and make a 1-time purchase of cannabis from a medical cannabis dispensary licensed under Medical Cannabis Dispensary System law in an amount that is no more than 50 per cent of the dispensing limits under dispensing limits. Requires the department of health office of medical cannabis control and regulation to facilitate the temporary authorization for applicants and primary caregivers. -- HB0302 HD2

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HB0303 HD2 (HSCR 501)

RELATING TO HEALTHCARE PRECEPTORS.

Introduced by: Takayama G, Kitagawa L, Marten L, Miyake T, Olds I, Pierick E, Sayama J, Todd C

Amends provisions relating to healthcare preceptor tax credit under income tax law. Amends the definition of preceptor; and volunteer-based supervised clinical training rotation to expand eligibility for providers to receive income tax credits for preceptors. Amends provisions by including dietitians, physician assistants, and social workers to the list of preceptors and eligible students. -- Amends provisions relating to preceptor credit assurance committee under department of health law. Amends provisions to expand eligibility for the tax credit to include accredited residency programs that require preceptor support; and adds the director of health and residency programs with eligible students to the preceptor credit assurance committee. -- Requires this Act to apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2025. -- HB0303 HD2

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HB0306 HD2 (HSCR 742)

RELATING TO STATE WATER CODE PENALTIES.

Introduced by: Poepoe M, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Lee M, Lowen N, Marten L, Perruso A, Tarnas D, Todd C

Amends provisions relating to penalties and common law remedies. Any person who: violates any provision of this law; violates any rule adopted pursuant to this law; violates any order of the commission; fails to obtain a permit when a permit is required under this law; fails to comply with permit conditions; or fails to comply with standardized water audit requirements pursuant to Act 169, Session Laws of Hawaii 2016, shall be subject to a fine imposed by the commission. Requires the fine to be no less than 50 dollars and shall not exceed except as provided under this provision, \_\_\_\_\_ dollars per violation. Requires each day that a violation exists or continues to exist to constitute a separate offense. Requires penalties for continuing violations to be assessed from the earliest

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known date of the violation. Requires the earliest known date of a violation to be determined by the commission by a preponderance of the evidence; provided that if the earliest known date cannot be determined by a preponderance of the evidence, penalties for continuing violations shall be assessed from the earliest date the commission is made aware of the violation. Allows except as otherwise provided by law, the commission or its authorized representative by proper delegation may set, charge, and collect administrative fines; to bring legal action to recover administrative fees and costs as documented by receipts or affidavit, including attorney's fees and costs; and may bring legal action to recover administrative fines, fees, and costs, including attorney's fees and costs, or payment for damages resulting from a violation of this law or any rule adopted pursuant to this law. Increases maximum fines in 5-year increments from 2030 to 2045.

-- HB0306 HD2

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HB0307 HD1 (HSCR 31)

RELATING TO SPECIAL NUMBER PLATES.

Introduced by: Poepoe M, Chun C, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Marten L, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Perruso A, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tam A, Tarnas D, Todd C

Establishes provisions relating to special number plates for the recognition of the island of kaho'olawe authorized under county vehicular taxes law. Establishes the issuance of special number plates to recognize the island of kaho'olawe. -- HB0307 HD1

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HB0309 HD1 (HSCR 16)

RELATING TO FISHPONDS.

Introduced by: Poepoe M, Amato T, Chun C, Evslin L, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Marten L, Miyake T, Perruso A, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tarnas D, Todd C

Establishes a fishpond inventory working group within the university of Hawaii sea grant college program for administrative purposes. Requires the working group to submit an interim report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than November 1, 2026 (report to the legislature). Requires the working group to submit a final report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than November 1, 2027 (report to the legislature). Requires the working group to be dissolved June 30, 2028 (sunset). -- Appropriation to the university of Hawaii to create an inventory of all fishponds on state land (\$\$). -- HB0309 HD1

Current Status:

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HB0316 HD1 (HSCR 306)

RELATING TO THE GREEN JOBS YOUTH CORPS.

Introduced by: Hashem M

Appropriation to the Department of Land and Natural Resources for the green job's youth corps program; provided that, notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the department and its partner or partners may obtain and utilize federal or other outside funding for the purpose of matching state funds provided for the green job's youth corps program. (\$\$)

-- HB0316 HD1

Current Status:

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HB0320 HD2 (HSCR 1052)

RELATING TO SUPPORTED DECISION-MAKING AGREEMENTS.

Introduced by: Chun C

Establishes supported decision-making agreement for qualified adults law. Establishes provisions relating to definitions. -- Establishes provisions relating to supported decision-making agreement; term. Allows a qualified adult to voluntarily, without coercion or undue influence, enter into a supported decision-making agreement with 1 or more members of the supportive community; provided that the supported decision-making agreement shall not adversely affect the decision-making authority granted to a court-appointed guardian or court-appointed conservator. --Establishes provisions relating to access to personal information. Requires the member of the supportive community selected by a qualified adult pursuant to this provision to only assist the qualified adult in accessing, collecting, or obtaining information that is relevant to a decision made pursuant to the supported decision-making agreement and only when the assistance is specifically requested by the qualified adult; provided that protected medical

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information under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, P.L. 104-191, or education records under title 20 United States Code provision 1232g of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 to require express written consent from the qualified adult. -- Establishes provisions relating to supported decision-making agreement; requirements; termination. Requires a supported decision-making agreement to be in writing and shall include at a minimum: the name of the qualified adult; the name, address, phone number, and electronic mail address of the member of the supportive community, if applicable; identification of the subject matter for which the qualified adult requests advice from the member of the supportive community; a description of the agreement terms, including, at a minimum, the terms under which the member of the supportive community agrees to; description of how the members of the supportive community may work together, if there is more than 1 member of the supportive community; a description of how any perceived or actual conflict between the members of the supportive community and the qualified adult shall be mitigated; a notice that any person, as described in provision relating to reports, who is relying on the supported decision-making agreement and who knows or has reason to believe that the qualified adult is a vulnerable adult and has incurred abuse or is in danger of abuse if immediate action is not taken, shall report the alleged abuse to the department of human services in accordance with this provision; and the day, month, and year the supported decision-making agreement was entered into. Requires a supported decision-making agreement to be signed voluntarily, without coercion or undue influence, by the qualified adult and each member of the supportive community in the presence of 2 or more attesting and disinterested witnesses who are 18 years of age or older, or a notary public. Requires the supported decision-making agreement to be effective until terminated by either the qualified adult or the member of the supportive community, or by the terms of the agreement. Allows any party to choose to terminate the agreement at any time by providing written or verbal notice of the termination to all parties to the supported decision-making agreement. --Establishes provisions relating to reliance on agreement; limitation of liability. Allows qualified adults, including adults with a disability, mentally ill adults, and adults 65 years of age or older, to enter into supported decision-making agreements with 1 or members of a supportive community. -- HB0320 HD2

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### HB0329 HD2 (HSCR 736)

#### RELATING TO THE SCHOOL FACILITIES AUTHORITY.

Introduced by: La Chica T, Amato T, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kitagawa L, Marten L, Olds I, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Reyes Oda J, Souza K, Todd C

Amends provisions relating to powers; generally. Requires except as otherwise limited by this law, the authority to be responsible for all public-school projects related to: new or renovated prekindergarten, preschool, child care facilities, or early learning programs; workforce housing for educators and other education workers in schools serving prekindergarten, elementary, and secondary grades; and; and any public-school development, planning, and construction assigned by the legislature, governor, or board of education. -- HB0329 HD2

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### HB0341 HD1 (HSCR 328)

#### RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST HAWAII ISLAND COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER.

Introduced by: Lowen N

Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds, with the approval of the governor, to assist West Hawaii Community Health Center, Inc., a Hawaii nonprofit corporation doing business as Hawaii Island Community Health Center, in financing the costs of purchasing or leasing land and designing, constructing, improving, purchasing, and equipping primary care health care facilities on the island of Hawaii. Authorizes the issuance of refunding special purpose revenue bonds to refund the special purpose revenue bonds. (\$\$) -- HB0341 HD1

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### HB0344 HD1 (HSCR 503)

#### RELATING TO ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE.

Introduced by: Lowen N, Evslin L, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Marten L, Perruso A, Todd C  
Amends provisions relating to design of state buildings. Provides that beginning July 1, 2026, the design of all new state building construction where parking is to be included shall provide that at least twenty-five per cent of parking stalls be electric vehicle

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charger-ready. Defines electric vehicle charger-ready to mean having sufficient wiring conduits, raceways, and termination points to support a minimum of 40 ampere, 208 or 240-volt branch circuits, and electrical panel capacity suitable to provide Level 2 charging consistent with an alternating current Level 2 charging station, as defined in electric vehicle charging system; rebate program. Requires the Hawaii state energy office to submit a report to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026. -- Appropriation to the Hawaii state energy office to conduct detailed cost assessments to determine the cost to install, or contract for the installation of, retrofits and electric vehicle charging systems at the high-priority state facilities identified pursuant to the provision of this Act and to perform, or contract for, these installations (\$\$). -- HB0344 HD1

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HB0345 HD2 (HSCR 1088)

RELATING TO THE STATE SHRIMP.

Introduced by: Lowen N, Amato T, Evslin L, Grandinetti T, Holt D, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Lamosao R, Marten L, Morikawa D, Perruso A, Souza K, Tam A, Tarnas D, Todd C  
Establishes provisions relating to state shrimp. Provides that the 'opae 'ula (Halocaridina rubra), also known as the red shrimp, is established and designated as the official shrimp of the state. -- HB0345 HD2

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HB0348 HD1 (HSCR 15)

RELATING TO SINGLE-USE PLASTICS.

Introduced by: Lowen N, Grandinetti T, Holt D, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Marten L, Olds I, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Todd C  
Establishes provisions relating to personal care products; small plastic containers; lodging establishments; prohibited. Prohibits a lodging establishments with more than 50 sleeping room accommodations; or fewer than 50 sleeping room accommodations to provide a small plastic container containing a personal care product to any person staying in a sleeping room accommodation, in any space within the sleeping room accommodation, or in any bathroom used by the public or guests. Allows a lodging establishment to use bulk dispensers of personal care products; and provide personal care products packaged in containers made from non plastic materials to a person, upon request. Allows the department to inspect the sleeping room accommodations and any bathroom used by the public or guests in each lodging establishment and to issue a citation for any violation of this provision. Requires any lodging establishment that violates this provision to be subject to a civil penalty of 500 dollars for the 1st violation and 2,000 dollars for a 2nd or subsequent violation. Requires each day of continued violation under this provision to constitute a separate and distinct offense for which the lodging establishment may be penalized. Allows the attorney general to bring an action in the circuit environmental court to impose a civil penalty pursuant to this provision. -- HB0348 HD1

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HB0350 HD2 (HSCR 1046)

RELATING TO ENERGY.

Introduced by: Lowen N, Evslin L

Amends provisions relating to solar water heater system required for new single-family residential construction by changing its title to water heater system requirements for new single-family residential construction. Provides that on or after January 1, 2010, no building permit shall be issued for a new single-family dwelling that does not include a solar water heater system that meets the standards established pursuant to solar water heater system standards or an ENERGY STAR certified heat pump water heater, unless the chief energy officer of the Hawaii state energy office approves a variance. Requires a variance application to only be accepted if submitted by an architect or mechanical engineer licensed under Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors and Landscape Architects law, who attests that: for a solar water heater system, installation is impracticable due to poor solar resource and for a heat pump water heater, installation is impracticable due to interior or exterior space constraints; installation of either a solar water heater system or a heat pump water heater is cost-prohibitive based upon a life cycle cost-benefit analysis that incorporates the average residential utility bill and the cost of the new solar water heater system or new heat pump water heater; or an ENERGY STAR certified demand water heater device is installed; provided that at least 1 other gas appliance is installed in the dwelling and a life cycle cost-benefit analysis justifies the

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variance. Defines heat pump to mean a device that uses electricity to move heat from 1 place to another. -- HB0350 HD2

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HB0359 HD2 (HSCR 1069)

### RELATING TO COVERED OFFENDER REGISTRATION.

Introduced by: Ichiyama L, Amato T, Belatti D, Evslin L, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Lamosao R, Marten L, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Olds I, Perruso A, Pierick E, Takayama G, Tam A, Todd C

Amends provisions relating to definitions under Registration of Sex Offenders and Other Covered Offenders and Public Access to Registration Information law. Redefines sexual offense to mean an offense that is: set forth in sexual assault in the 1st degree, sexual assault in the 2nd degree, sexual assault in the 3rd degree, sexual assault in the 4th degree, continuous sexual assault of a minor under the age of 14 years, incest, sexual assault of an animal, commercial sexual exploitation, sex trafficking, promoting prostitution, but excludes conduct that is criminal, as provided in sexual assault in the 1st degree, sexual assault in the 2nd degree, or incest, if the perpetrator is under the age of 18; or an act that consists of use of a computer in the commission of a separate crime, wherein the separate crime is a covered offense, as defined in this provision. -- Amends provisions relating to access to registration information. Provides that if a covered offender has been convicted of only 1 covered offense and that covered offense is a misdemeanor, and was not committed against a minor, the covered offender shall not be subject to the public access requirements set forth in this provision. -- Amends provisions relating to failure to comply with covered offender registration requirements. Provides that a person commits the offense of failure to comply with covered offender registration requirements if the person is required to register under this law and the person intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly: fails to report in person every 5 years until June 30, 2009, and beginning on July 1, 2009, once every year, during the 30-day period following the offender's birthday to the chief of police where the covered offender's residence is located, or to such other department or agency designated by the attorney general. -- Amends provisions relating to termination of registration requirements. Provides that if the covered offender's most serious covered offense is set forth in use of a computer in the commission of a separate crime, then the designated tier of the separate crime, shall set forth the covered offender's appropriate termination of registration requirements. -- HB0359 HD2

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HB0367 HD2 (HSCR 1161)

### RELATING TO BUILDING PERMITS.

Introduced by: Evslin L

Establishes provisions relating to maintenance and repairs; group U structures; remodeling; exemptions from building permit requirements. Requires, notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the following to be exempt from the requirement to obtain any county permit when located in areas outside of a special management area delineated pursuant to Coastal Zone Management law: repairs that involve the replacement of component parts of existing work with like-for-like materials for the purpose of maintenance, without regard to the value of the materials or labor; provided that the repairs do not involve any electrical, plumbing, or mechanical installations; group U occupancies that do not exceed 1,000 square feet; and interior remodeling that does not affect building square footage or the number of rooms or bathrooms and does not modify the location of rooms, walls, or windows. -- Requires an owner or occupier who intends to: perform exempt repairs and maintenance on any dwelling larger than 3,000 square feet or structure larger than 5,000 square feet that has group A, B, E, F, H, I, or M occupancy under the International Building Code; install a structure larger than 1,000 square feet with group U occupancy; or perform any interior remodeling work on an existing structure, to provide written notice to the appropriate county agency about the type of proposed work. Prohibits work to commence until the appropriate county agency has determined that a building permit for the proposed work is not required to comply with federal, state, or county floodplain management development standards, statutes, rules, ordinances, codes, or regulations pursuant to National Flood Insurance Program requirements. -- Requires the appropriate county agency to certify the work within 30 calendar days upon the receipt of the written notice from the owner or occupier. Allows the applicable county fire department and county building permitting agency to enter the property, upon reasonable notice to the owner or occupier, to investigate exempted work for compliance with the requirements of this provision. Allows, if entry is refused after



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reasonable notice is given, the applicable county fire department or county building permitting agency to apply to the district court of the circuit in which the property is located for a warrant, directed to any police officer of the circuit, commanding the police officer to provide sufficient aid and to assist the county fire department or county building permitting agency in gaining entry onto the property to investigate exempted work for compliance, pursuant to the requirements of this provision. -- Prohibits this provision to apply to buildings, work, or structures otherwise exempted from building permitting or building code requirements by applicable county ordinance. Prohibits this provision to be construed to supersede public or private lease conditions. Prohibits the State and counties to be liable for claims arising from the performance of work described in this section, unless the claim arises out of gross negligence or intentional misconduct by the State or the applicable county. Prohibits this provision to be construed to exempt any new or existing buildings, structures, related appurtenances, or other work from building permit requirements, underlying zoning requirements, and other requirements of federal, state, or county floodplain management development standards, statutes, rules, ordinances, codes, or regulations, pursuant to National Flood Insurance Program requirements. Requires any failure to comply with this provision to result in penalties that are consistent with those imposed by the applicable county building permitting agency. Defines group U occupancy to include uninhabited structures, including but not limited to agricultural buildings, aircraft hangars, an accessory to a 1- or 2-family residence, barns, carports, communication equipment structures, fences, grain silos, livestock shelters, private garages, retaining walls, sheds, stables, tanks, and towers. -- HB0367 HD2

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HB0369

### RELATING TO CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to excess contribution; return; escheat. Requires any candidate, candidate committee, or noncandidate committee that receives in the aggregate more than the applicable contribution limit under provisions relating to contributions, generally, contributions to candidate committees; limits, contributions to noncandidate committees; limits, family contributions, or contributions to a party to return any excess contribution to the contributor within 30 days of receipt of the excess contribution. -- HB0369

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HB0370 HD2 (HSCR 1144)

### RELATING TO PARTIAL PUBLIC FINANCING OF ELECTIONS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to maximum amount of public funds available to candidate. Prohibits maximum amount of public funds available in each election to a candidate for: the office of governor, lieutenant governor, or mayor of the city and county of Honolulu or the county of Hawaii to exceed \_\_\_\_\_ per cent. Prohibits the maximum amount of public funds available in each election to a candidate for the office of state senator, state representative, mayor of the county of Kauai or the county of Maui, county council member, and prosecuting attorney to exceed \_\_\_\_\_ per cent. Prohibits that the office of Hawaiian affairs to exceed \_\_\_\_\_ per cent of the expenditure limit established in provisions relating to voluntary expenditure limits; filing affidavit law for each election. -- Amends provisions relating to minimum qualifying contribution amounts; qualifying contribution statement. Prohibits as a condition of receiving public funds for a primary or general election, a candidate to be unopposed in any election for which public funds are sought, shall have filed an affidavit with the commission pursuant to provisions relating to voluntary expenditure limits; filing affidavit law to voluntarily limit the candidate's campaign expenditures, and shall be in receipt of the following sum of qualifying contributions from individual residents of Hawaii: for the office of prosecuting attorney for each respective county: County of Honolulu qualifying contributions that in the aggregate exceed 25,000 dollars; County of Hawaii: qualifying contributions that in the aggregate exceed 5,000 dollars; and County of Kauai qualifying contributions that in the aggregate exceed 3,000 dollars; for the office of county council for each respective county: County of Maui: qualifying contributions that in the aggregate exceed 4,000 dollars; for the office of Hawaiian affairs: qualifying contributions that, in the aggregate, exceed 5,500 dollars; and for all other offices qualifying contributions that in the aggregate exceed 500 dollars. Requires if the candidate obtains the minimum qualifying contribution amount, the candidate to be eligible to receive: payments of 2 dollars for each 1 dollar of qualifying

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contributions in excess of the minimum qualifying contribution amounts. -- Appropriation into and out of the Hawaii election campaign fund to the campaign spending commission for the purposes of this act -- Appropriation to the campaign spending commission for \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) permanent positions to be placed within the campaign spending commission. (\$\$) -- HB0370 HD2

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HB0371 HD1 (HSCR 822)

### RELATING TO CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to definitions under elections, generally law. Redefines immediate family. --Amends provisions relating to contributions by state and county contractors prohibited by changing its title to contributions by state or county contractors, state or county grantees, officers or immediate family members of state or county contractors, officers or immediate family members of state or county grantees; prohibited. Prohibits any officer or immediate family member of any state or county contractor under this provision to directly or indirectly make any contribution to any candidate, candidate committee, or noncandidate committee for the duration of the contract. Requires each state and county agency to report to the campaign spending commission the names of any state or county contractor or grantee and the names of the contractor's and grantee's officers and adult immediate family members. Requires the campaign spending commission to periodically publish the names of the state and county contractors and grantees, and their officers and adult immediate family members, on its website, as reported by the state and county agencies. -- Amends provisions relating to excess contribution; return; escheat. Requires any candidate, candidate committee, or noncandidate committee to return unlawful contributions to the contributor within 30 calendar days of receipt. Requires the unlawful contribution to escheat to the hawaii election campaign fund if any unlawful contribution is not returned to the contributor within 30 calendar days of receipt. -- HB0371 HD1

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HB0372 HD1 (HSCR 823)

### RELATING TO CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to contributions to candidate committees; limits by changing its title to contributions to candidate committees; limits; contributions to state legislators; when prohibited. Prohibits any state senator or state representative to solicit or accept campaign contributions during any regular session or special session of the legislature, including any extension of any regular session or special session and any legislative recess day, holiday, or weekend. -- HB0372 HD1

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HB0373 HD1 (HSCR 484)

### RELATING TO HOUSING.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends Act 45, Session Laws of Hawaii 2024, relating to housing. Requires this Act to take effect upon its approval, and shall apply to bond proceeds expended by a county after December 31, 2023; provided that the amendments made to provisions relating to housing; county powers by this Act shall not be repealed when that section is reenacted on; July 1, 2030, pursuant to; Act 141, Session Laws of Hawaii 2009, relating to affordable housing, as amended by Act 102, Session Laws of Hawaii 2015, as amended by Act 80, Session Laws of Hawaii 2019, as amended by Act 90, Session Laws of Hawaii 2023; and Act 98, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, as amended by Act 102, Session Laws of Hawaii 2015, as amended by Act 55, Session Laws of Hawaii 2016, as amended by Act 80, Session Laws of Hawaii 2019, as amended by Act 90, Session Laws of Hawaii 2023; and July 1, 2031, pursuant to Act 31, Session Laws of Hawaii 2024, relating to affordable housing credits. Repeals provision that requires the Act to be repealed on June 30, 2028; provided that provisions relating to housing; county powers, shall be reenacted in the form in which it read on the day before the effective date of this Act. -- HB0373 HD1

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HB0381 HD1 (HSCR 990)

### RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

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Amends provisions relating to small purchases; prohibition against parceling. Requires procurements of less than \$\_\_\_\_\_ for goods or services, or \$\_\_\_\_\_ for construction to be made in accordance with procedures set forth in rules adopted by the policy board that are designed to ensure administrative simplicity and as much competition as is practicable. Requires procurements of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to less than \$\_\_\_\_\_ to be made in accordance with small purchase procedures. -- Amends provisions relating to responsibility of offerors. Requires the procuring officer to verify compliance with this provision for all contracts awarded pursuant to competitive sealed bidding, competitive sealed proposals, procurement of professional services, and sole source procurement, and for contracts and procurements of \$\_\_\_\_\_ or more awarded pursuant to small purchases; prohibition against parceling. -- HB0381 HD1

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HB0386

### RELATING TO DANGEROUS DRUGS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to promoting a dangerous drug in the 1st degree. Provides that a person commits the offense of promoting a dangerous drug in the 1st degree if the person knowingly: Possesses 1 or more preparations, compounds, mixtures, or substances of an aggregate weight of 1 ounce or more, containing methamphetamine, heroin, morphine, fentanyl, or cocaine or any of their respective salts, isomers, and salts of isomers; or distributes 1 or more preparations, compound mixtures, or substance of an aggregate weight of; 1/8th ounce or more, containing methamphetamine, heroin, morphine, fentanyl, or cocaine or any of their respective salts, isomers, and salts of isomers. -- Amends provisions relating to promoting a dangerous drug in the 2nd degree. Provides that a person commits the offense of promoting a dangerous drug in the 2nd degree if the person knowingly: possesses 1 or more preparations, compounds, mixtures, or substances of an aggregate weight of: 1/8th ounce or more, containing methamphetamine, heroin, morphine, fentanyl, or cocaine or any of their respective salts, isomers, and salts of isomers. -- HB0386

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HB0389 HD1 (HSCR 824)

### RELATING TO UNCREWED AIRCRAFT OFFENSES.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to misuse of uncrewed aircraft in the 1st degree. Prohibits this provision to apply to any police officer, deputy sheriff, adult corrections officer, correctional worker, or fire department personnel acting within the course and scope of their duties, or to any other person acting under the authority of, or pursuant to a contract with, the United States or a state or county government, or any department or agency of the United States or a state or county government. -- Amends provisions relating to misuse of uncrewed aircraft in the 3rd degree. Provides that a person commits the offense of misuse of uncrewed aircraft in the 3rd degree if the person intentionally or knowingly or recklessly: uses an uncrewed aircraft in furtherance of the commission of a felony not otherwise listed, described, or enumerated in this provision or provisions relating to misuse of uncrewed aircraft in the 1st degree or misuse of uncrewed aircraft in the 2nd degree. -- HB0389 HD1

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HB0392 HD1 (HSCR 827)

### RELATING TO FIREARMS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to definitions under firearms, ammunition and dangerous weapons law. Defines ghost gun. -- Establishes provisions relating to sentence of imprisonment for use of a ghost gun in a felony. Establishes mandatory minimum sentences for the use of a ghost gun in the commission of a felony. -- Amends provisions relating to ownership, etc., of automatic firearms, silencers, etc., prohibited; penalties. Prohibits the manufacture, possession, sale, barter, trade, gift, transfer, or acquisition of ghost guns. -- HB0392 HD1

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HB0395 HD1 (HSCR 281)

### RELATING TO JURY DUTY.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to pay of jurors; mileage fee; bus fare; parking violations

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exemption. Requires each juror or prospective juror to be paid 50 dollars for each day of actual attendance at court. -- Appropriation to the judiciary for the purposes of this Act. (\$\$) -- HB0395 HD1

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HB0396 HD1 (HSCR 287)

RELATING TO COMPENSATION FOR COURT-APPOINTED COUNSEL.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to appointment of counsel; compensation. The court shall determine the amount of reasonable compensation to appointed counsel, based on the rate of 150 dollars an hour; provided that the maximum allowable fee shall not exceed the following schedule: any felony case: 12,000 dollars; misdemeanor case-jury trial: 6,000 dollars; misdemeanor case-jury waived: 3,000 dollars; appeals: 9,000 dollars; petty misdemeanor case: 1,800 dollars; Any other type of administrative or judicial proceeding, including cases arising under jurisdiction law: 6,000 dollars. -- Appropriation to the department of budget and finance for the purposes of this act (\$\$) -- HB0396 HD1

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HB0398 HD1 (HSCR 289)

RELATING TO COMPENSATION FOR COURT-APPOINTED REPRESENTATION.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to appointment of counsel and guardian ad litem; compensation. Requires the court to determine the amount of reasonable compensation paid to appointed counsel and guardians ad litem, based on the following rates: 150 dollars an hour for in-court or out-of-court services provided by an attorney licensed to practice law in the State; and 122 dollars an hour for all services provided by a person who is not an attorney licensed to practice law in the State, whether performed in-court or out-of-court. Prohibits the maximum allowable fee to exceed the following schedule: cases arising under Child Protective Act and Department of Human Services, part X: predisposition . . . 5,500 dollars; and postdisposition review hearing . . . 2,000 dollars; and cases arising under Uniform Probate Code, Family Courts, Annulment, Divorce, and Separation, and Uniform Parentage Act . . . 5,500 dollars. -- HB0398 HD1

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HB0399 HD1 (HSCR 290)

RELATING TO DISTRICT COURT JUDGES.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to judicial circuits; district judges; sessions. Requires the district court of the 1st circuit to consist of 15 judges, who shall be styled as 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, and 15th judge, respectively. -- HB0399 HD1

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HB0401 HD1 (HSCR 291)

RELATING TO DISTRICT COURT JUDGES.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to judicial circuits; district judges; sessions. Provides that the district court of the 3rd circuit shall consist of 4 judges, who shall be styled as 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th judge, respectively. -- HB0401 HD1

Current Status: Mar=06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB0408

RELATING TO VOTER REGISTRATION.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to application when not made in person. Allows any qualified person unable for any cause to appear in person before the clerk for registration may register to vote by mail, not later than 10 days prior to a primary or general election, through the affidavit on application for voter registration or other form prescribed by the chief election officer. -- Amends provisions relating to methods of registering to vote. Allows that a covered voter may use the declaration accompanying a federal write in absentee ballot to apply to register to vote simultaneously with the submission of the federal write in absentee ballot, if it is received no later than 10 days prior to the election pursuant to provisions relating to application when not made in person. -- HB0408

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HB0411

### RELATING TO ETHICS ADMINISTRATIVE FINES.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to requirements of disclosure under standards of conduct law; duties of commission; complaint, hearing, determination; and administration under lobbyists law. Establishes uniform provisions for the assessment of administrative penalties under the standards of conduct law and lobbyist law. -- HB0411

Current Status: Mar=04 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
Mar=04 25 Single Referral to JDC

HB0412 HD1 (HSCR 815)

### RELATING TO LOBBYING.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to presumption of lobbying on behalf of private clients under the lobbyists law. Requires any individual with a substantial ownership interest in or a paid employee, officer, or director of an organization who actively participates in lobbying activities that directly benefit that organization to be presumed to be receiving compensation from the organization for their lobbying efforts. -- Establishes provisions relating to contracts voidable. Requires, in addition to any other penalty provided by law, any contract or other action entered into by the State in violation of this law to be voidable on behalf of the State; provided that in any action to void a contract pursuant to this provision the interests of 3rd parties who may be damaged thereby shall be taken into account, and the action to void the contract is initiated within 60 days after the determination of a violation under this law. Requires the attorney general to have the authority to enforce this provision. -- Amends provisions relating to definitions. Provides that lobbying includes communicating with any person identified in requirements of disclosure concerning the solicitation or award of a contract or proposal before an administrative agency or a potential future vendor relationship with an administrative agency if any of the communications are not governed by the Hawaii Public Procurement Code or Purchases of Health and Human Services. Defines lobbying to not include: communications about a request for proposals, contract, or vendor relationship if the communications are initiated by a legislator or state employee; or the preparation and submission of a grant application pursuant to Grants law by a representative of a nonprofit organization. -- HB0412 HD1

Current Status: Mar=06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB0413 HD1 (HSCR 816)

### RELATING TO LOBBYIST CONTRIBUTIONS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to contributions and expenditures by lobbyists prohibited during legislative session. Provides that the during any regular session or special session of both houses of the state legislature, including any extension of any regular session or special session and any legislative recess days, holidays, and weekends, and for 5 calendar days before and after a session, no lobbyist shall make, or promise to make at a later time, any contributions or expenditures to or on behalf of an elected official, candidate, candidate committee, or any other individual required to file an organizational report pursuant to provision relating to registration of candidate committee or noncandidate committee. Requires that an elected official, candidate, candidate committee, or any other individual required to file an organizational report pursuant to provision relating to registration of candidate committee or noncandidate committee, alleged to have received a prohibited contribution in violation of this provision to be administratively referred by the state ethics commission executive director to the campaign spending commission. Defines session to mean a period in which both legislative houses are in session. -- Amends provisions relating to restricted activities. Requires a state lobbyist alleged to have made a prohibited contribution to an elected official, candidate, candidate committee, or any other individual required to file an organizational report pursuant to provision relating to registration of candidate committee or noncandidate committee in violation of this provision to be administratively referred by the executive director to the state ethics commission. Allows any contribution prohibited by this provision to escheat, as directed by the campaign spending commission, to the Hawaii election campaign fund. Defines elected official to have the same meaning as in provision relating to fundraiser; fundraiser event; notice of intent; when prohibited. Defines session to have the same meaning as defined in provision relating to contributions and expenditures by lobbyists prohibited during legislative session. -- HB0413 HD1

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HB0417 HD1 (HSCR 483)

RELATING TO THE RENTAL HOUSING REVOLVING FUND.

Introduced by: Evslin L

Amends provisions relating to rental housing revolving fund. Establishes a housing efficiency and innovation subaccount to consist of revenues from appropriations from the legislature. Allows the corporation to transfer funds between the housing efficiency and innovation subaccount and the rental housing revolving fund without requiring legislative approval. Establishes permissible uses of funding and priorities for the housing efficiency and innovation subaccount. Requires the hawaii housing finance and development corporation to establish an application process for subaccount revenues allocation, separate from the fund allocation process pursuant to provisions relating to eligible projects, that gives preference to projects meeting the criteria established in this provision. Requires moneys derived from the repayment of loans funded by the subaccount, interest thereon, and related fees and returns, to be deposited into the subaccount. -- Amends provisions relating to eligible projects. -- HB0417 HD1

Current Status: Mar=06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB0420 HD3 (HSCR 1162)

RELATING TO REMEDIES.

Introduced by: Evslin L, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Kusch M, Tam A

Amends provisions relating to limitation of action for damages based on construction to improve real property. Requires an improvement to be deemed substantially complete upon the earliest of the following; the issuance of a certificate of occupancy; or the filing of an affidavit of publication and notice of completion within the circuit court of the judicial circuit where the property is situated in compliance with provisions relating to filing notice, contents. Provides that if the improvement consists of multiple buildings or improvements, each building or improvement shall be considered as a separate improvement for purposes of determining the limitations period set forth in this provision. Provides that no action, whether in contract, tort, statute, or otherwise, based on a violation of the applicable building code shall be commenced unless the violation is a material violation of the applicable building code. -- Amends provisions relating to notice of claim of construction defect. Requires the notice of claim to state that the claimant asserts a claim against the contractor for a construction defect in the design, construction, or remodeling, or any combination thereof, of a dwelling or premises; and describe the claim with particularity and specificity sufficient to determine the circumstances constituting the alleged construction defect and damages resulting from the construction defect. Requires a general statement that a construction defect may exist to be insufficient. Provides that if available to the claimant, the claimant shall provide to the contractor, with the notice of claim, evidence that depicts the nature and cause of the construction defect and the nature and extent of the repairs necessary to repair the defect, including the following information if obtained by the claimant: photographs, videotapes, and any testing performed. Requires each individual claimant or putative class member to comply with this law, which includes permitting inspection under provisions relating to rejection of claim; opportunity to repair construction defect of each dwelling or premises that is the subject of the claim. Prohibits a person to be permitted to join a class action under this law unless the person has 1st complied with this law. -- Amends provisions relating to rejection of claim; opportunity to repair construction defect. Provides that within 30 days following any proposal for inspection under this provision, the claimant shall provide access to inspect the premises. Requires the claimant and contractor to agree on a time and date for the inspection, which shall occur within 30 days of the claimant's acceptance of the contractor's proposal for inspection, unless the claimant and contractor agree to a later date. Requires the claimant to provide reasonable access to the dwelling or premises during normal working hours to inspect the premises; and perform other duties. -- Amends provisions relating to offer of settlement. Provides that an offer not accepted within the time period required under provisions relating to written notice of acceptance; access to premises, or 10 days after service for any subsequent offers, shall be deemed withdrawn and evidence thereof shall not be admissible except to determine entitlement to recovery of attorneys' fees and costs and reasonableness of the contractor's offer of settlement in this provision. Provides that if a claimant rejects a contractor's reasonable offer of settlement, the claimant's cost of repair recovery shall be limited to the reasonable value of the repair determined as of the date of the offer and the amount of the offered monetary payment. Provides that any additional damages caused by the alleged construction defect shall not be limited by this provision. -- HB0420 HD3

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HB0422 HD1 (HSCR 763)

### RELATING TO SCHOOL IMPACT FEES.

Introduced by: Evslin L, Chun C, Holt D, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Kusch M, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Marten L, Matsumoto L, Morikawa D, Souza K, Takenouchi J, Tam A

Amends provisions relating to school facilities special fund under education law. Requires the authority to establish and appropriately name subaccounts within the school facilities special fund to accept deposits of revenues restricted for a specified purpose pursuant to this law. -- Repeals provisions relating to school impact fees under education law. -- Repeals provisions relating to school impact districts; new building permit requirements. -- Abolishes the school impact fees subaccounts within the school facilities special fund and any unencumbered balance remaining shall lapse to the school facilities special fund; provided that the funds shall be used within the school impact district for which it was collected; or refunded to the developer if collected as a fee in lieu or a construction cost component impact fee after 20 years of the date of collection. -- Abolishes specific fair share contribution accounts within the donations - facilities trust (EDN 400), and any unencumbered balance remaining shall lapse to the school facilities special fund; provided that the lapsed contributions shall only be used within the same complex in which the contributions were originally collected. -- HB0422 HD1

Current Status: Mar=04 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB0423 HD2 (HSCR 1044)

### RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION.

Introduced by: Matayoshi S, Chun C, Kitagawa L, Sayama J, Tarnas D

Amends provisions relating to vocational rehabilitation under workers' compensation law. Provides that if the injured employee elects to enroll in a rehabilitation plan or program, the injured employee shall select a certified provider of rehabilitation services within 30 days after the referral is made by the director. Provides that both the certified provider and the injured employee, within a reasonable time after initiating rehabilitation services, shall give proper notice of selection to the employer. Provides that if the injured employee fails to select a certified provider within 30 days, the employer shall select the certified provider of rehabilitation services and give proper notice of selection to the employee. Requires the injured employee to have 30 days after the notice of selection is received to select a different certified provider of rehabilitation services. -- Requires a provider to automatically approve vocational rehabilitation services for an injured employee if the provider determines that the injured employee will likely require vocational rehabilitation services to return to suitable gainful employment. Requires a provider to file the employee's plan with the approval of the employee. -- HB0423 HD2

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HB0424 HD2 (HSCR 1022)

### RELATING TO SCHOOL MEALS.

Introduced by: Matayoshi S, Chun C, Evslin L, Garrett A, Holt D, Kahaloa K, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kitagawa L, La Chica T, Lee M, Marten L, Morikawa D, Olds I, Quinlan S, Sayama J, Takayama G, Tam A, Tarnas D, Todd C

Amends provisions relating to school meals by changing its title to school meals; free school breakfast and lunch. Provides that beginning with the 2025-2026 school year, free school breakfast shall be provided to every student enrolled in a department school who meets certain requirements. -- Amends provisions relating to school cafeterias; funds; expenditures. Requires the price for school meals to be set by the department to ensure that moneys received from the sale of the meals shall be no more than \_\_\_\_ of the cost of preparing the meals. -- Appropriation to the department of education for the total plate costs associated with providing free school breakfasts and lunches in department of education schools as required by this Act after federal funding has been accounted. (\$\$) -- HB0424 HD2

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HB0427 HD2 (HSCR 739)

### RELATING TO BIOSECURITY.

Introduced by: Nakamura N, Amato T, Belatti D, Chun C, Cochran E, Evslin L, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Hashem M, Holt D, Hussey I, Ichiyama L, Ilagan G, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Kusch M, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Lee M, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Olds I, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Sayama J, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tam A, Tarnas D, Templo S, Todd C, Woodson J, Yamashita K

Renames the department of agriculture to the department of agriculture and biosecurity.

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Renames the board of agriculture to the board of agriculture and biosecurity. Establishes and appropriates funds for a deputy director of biosecurity. Changes references to the plant and animal declaration form to the biosecurity form. Authorizes and specifies conditions under which the department of agriculture and biosecurity may declare a biosecurity emergency, during which the department and governor may take certain actions to prevent the establishment or spread of pests and prohibited or restricted organisms. Broadens the objectives and general actions of the biosecurity program. -- Appropriation to the department of agriculture and biosecurity for \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) positions within the department of agriculture and biosecurity; provided that the funds shall be allocated as follows; \_\_\_\_ dollars for \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) positions under plant pest and disease control (AGR122); and \_\_\_\_ dollars for \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) positions under pesticides (AGR846). (\$\$) -- HB0427 HD2

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HB0428 HD1 (HSCR 390)

### RELATING TO FARM TO FAMILIES.

Introduced by: Nakamura N, Amato T, Belatti D, Chun C, Cochran E, Evslin L, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Hashem M, Holt D, Hussey I, Ichiyama L, Ilagan G, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Kong S, Kusch M, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Lee M, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Olds I, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Sayama J, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tam A, Tarnas D, Templo S, Todd C, Woodson J, Yamashita K

Establishes provisions relating to Hawaii farm to families program law. Establishes that the Hawaii farm to families to be administered by the department. Requires under the program, the department to relieve food shortages by providing funds to food banks located in the state to facilitate consistent supply chains of fresh, Hawaii-grown or -produced food to food insecure communities. Provides that food banks that receive support pursuant to this provision shall use the funds to purchase, store, and transport fresh, Hawaii-grown or -produced food in the state to recipients at no cost to the recipients. Requires the department to adopt rules pursuant to administrative procedure law necessary for the purposes of this part. Requires the department of agriculture to submit a report to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular sessions of 2026 and 2027 that contains a summary of the activities of the Hawaii farm to families program established under provision 2 of this act, including: the amount of funds expended by the program; food banks participating in the program, broken out by county; amount of food purchased and distributed, by volume and dollar value; category of food purchased and their island origin, by volume and dollar value; and any other findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation. -- Appropriation to the department of agriculture for the Hawaii farm to families program. (Report to Legislature) (\$\$) -- HB0428 HD1

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HB0429 HD1 (HSCR 338)

### RELATING TO EARLY LEARNING.

Introduced by: Nakamura N, Amato T, Belatti D, Chun C, Cochran E, Evslin L, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Hashem M, Holt D, Hussey I, Ichiyama L, Ilagan G, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Kong S, Kusch M, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Lee M, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Olds I, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Sayama J, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tam A, Tarnas D, Templo S, Todd C, Woodson J, Yamashita K

Appropriation to the department of education for the executive office on early learning. (\$\$) -- HB0429 HD1

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HB0430 HD2 (HSCR 1010)

### RELATING TO INTERNSHIPS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N, Amato T, Belatti D, Chun C, Cochran E, Evslin L, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Hashem M, Holt D, Hussey I, Ichiyama L, Ilagan G, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Kong S, Kusch M, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Lee M, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Olds I, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Sayama J, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tam A, Tarnas D, Templo S, Todd C, Woodson J, Yamashita K

Establishes provisions relating to on-the-job training work experience program; private sector. Allows the department of labor and industrial relations to enter into contracts with



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employers or registered apprenticeship program sponsors in the private sector to provide on-the-job training to eligible interns; provided that any participating apprenticeship program sponsor in the private sector shall only offer to eligible interns on-the-job training in public sector projects. Allows the department to provide to the employers or sponsors up to 20.00 dollars per hour in reimbursements for wages only for the costs of training and supervising an intern. Exempts the employers or sponsors from being required to provide documentation of these costs. Requires eligible employer and sponsors to demonstrate compliance with Hawaii compliance express or any successor program established to facilitate compliance with provisions relating to responsibility of offerors. Requires contracts under this provision to be limited to 12 weeks for college or university students, with an extension of 12 additional weeks if approved by the director of labor and industrial relations, and 6 weeks for high school students, with an extension of up to 8 weeks during the summer break. Provides that in determining the appropriate length of the contract, the director shall consider the occupation's skill requirements; intern's existing academic and occupational skill levels; and intern's prior work experience. Requires the employer or sponsor to comply with State and federal employment laws pursuant to wage and hour law and the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938, as amended. Requires the department of labor and industrial relations to adopt interim rules, which shall be exempt from administrative procedure law, to develop and implement the program; provided that the interim rules shall remain in effect until the adoption of rules pursuant to administrative procedure law to allow the department to; ensure that interns are referred by the department to employers or sponsors and not directly by the employer or sponsors; reimburse employers or sponsors up to 20.00 dollars per hour for wages only for the extraordinary costs of providing intern training and supervision; develop a training plan for participating interns of the program in collaboration with the intern and employer or sponsor; monitor each intern's progress in the program to ensure that training plan objectives are being met; consult with interns and onsite supervisors to address any problems affecting the training plan; terminate an internship, if necessary, due to problems at the worksite caused by either the intern or the employer or sponsor; and limit employer or sponsor participation to no more than 5 interns at 1 time, as tracked by the federal employer identification number of the employer or sponsor. Requires the department to develop eligibility criteria for interns. Requires the department to develop eligibility criteria for employers or sponsors. -- Establishes provisions relating to work experience; private and public sector; annual report. Report to the legislature. --Amends provisions relating to coverage for workers' compensation. Requires the State to be deemed the responsible employer for the purposes of workers' compensation coverage, as provided for in workers' compensation law, when a student or recent graduate performs paid or unpaid work for a private or public employer as part of a school-approved, work-based learning internship program sponsored by the department of education or university of Hawaii or as part of the on-the-job training work experience program established in this provision. -- Appropriation to the department of labor and industrial relations to administer the on-the-job training work experience program under this Act. (\$\$) -- HB430 HD2

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### HB0431 HD2 (HSCR 765)

#### RELATING TO HOUSING.

Introduced by: Nakamura N, Amato T, Belatti D, Chun C, Cochran E, Evslin L, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Hashem M, Holt D, Hussey I, Ichiyama L, Ilagan G, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Kong S, Kusch M, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Lee M, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Olds I, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Sayama J, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tam A, Tarnas D, Templo S, Todd C, Woodson J, Yamashita K

Appropriation to the office of the governor for the continued operation of the kauhale initiative, including expenses related to the development and operation of kauhale; the provision of project-based rent supplement payments; the provision of support services for qualified individuals and families in kauhale; staffing and related costs to administer the kauhale initiative; addressing basic needs of individuals and families experiencing homelessness; wrap around services; social and health care services; transportation; and other services with the goal of alleviating poverty and transitioning individuals and families experiencing homelessness or housing instability into supportive or affordable housing; provided that funds appropriated under this part may be used for the ohana zones pilot program established under Act 209, Session Laws of Hawaii 2018, as amended by Act 128, Session Laws of Hawaii 2019, as amended by Act 235, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022. Allows the governor to transfer all or a portion of the appropriation

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in this part to the governor's designated executive branch departments or agencies, including the statewide office on homelessness and housing solutions, for expenditures incurred to implement the kauhale initiative. Allows the governor's designated executive branch departments or agencies to expend any appropriation transferred pursuant to this part for the performance of their duties under the kauhale initiative. -- Establishes provisions relating to supportive housing special fund. Establishes a supportive housing special fund to be administered by the corporation for the purpose of developing, operating, and maintaining affordable, permanent housing and the provision of supportive services for individuals or families with special needs. Allows moneys in the fund to be used; to make loans to finance the development, pre-development, construction, acquisition, preservation, or substantial rehabilitation of supportive housing projects; to make project-based rental assistance payments; to make payments for supportive services for households residing in the supportive housing projects; and for other housing services or activities as provided in rules adopted by the corporation without regard to administrative procedure law. -- Establishes provisions relating to additional powers. -- Appropriation into and out of the supportive housing special fund to the Hawaii Housing finance and development corporation for the financing of the development, operation, and maintenance of affordable, supportive housing projects and the provision of supportive services for households with special needs who reside in the supportive housing projects; and \_\_\_\_\_ dollars for the establishment and hiring of 1 temporary full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) housing finance specialist I within the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation to help with administration of the special fund. (\$\$)

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HB0432 HD1 (HSCR 490)

RELATING TO THE RENTAL HOUSING REVOLVING FUND.

Introduced by: Nakamura N, Amato T, Belatti D, Chun C, Cochran E, Evslin L, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Hashem M, Holt D, Hussey I, Ichiyama L, Ilagan G, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Kong S, Kusch M, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Lee M, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Olds I, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Sayama J, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tam A, Tarnas D, Templo S, Todd C, Woodson J, Yamashita K

Amends provisions relating to rental housing revolving fund; and eligible projects under hawaii housing finance and development corporation law. Establishes the mixed-income subaccount within the rental housing revolving fund for workforce rental housing projects for persons and families with incomes at or below 140 percent of the area median income. -- Amends provisions relating to disposition of taxes under conveyance tax law.

-- Allows the director of finance to transfer moneys from the rental housing revolving fund to the rental housing revolving fund mixed-income subaccount in an amount for fiscal year 2025-2026 and the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2026-2027. -- Appropriation into and out of the mixed-income subaccount of the rental housing revolving fund to the hawaii housing finance and development corporation for fiscal year 2026-2027 for the purposes of the subaccount. (\$\$) -- HB0432 HD1

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HB0433 HD1 (HSCR 771)

RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY.

Introduced by: Nakamura N, Amato T, Belatti D, Chun C, Cochran E, Evslin L, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Hashem M, Holt D, Hussey I, Ichiyama L, Ilagan G, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Kong S, Kusch M, La Chica T, Lee M, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Olds I, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Sayama J, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tam A, Tarnas D, Templo S, Todd C, Woodson J, Yamashita K

Appropriation to the department of corrections and rehabilitation for reentry services to connect offenders with community based services. (\$\$) -- HB0433 HD1

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HB0437 HD1 (HSCR 331)

RELATING TO OUT-OF-STATE OFFICES.

Introduced by: Ilagan G, Cochran E, Garrett A, Hashem M, Hussey I, Ichiyama L, Kila D, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Miyake T, Reyes Oda J, Sayama J, Souza K, Tam A, Templo S, Woodson J

Provides that the department of business, economic development, and tourism shall establish an out of state office in the Philippines. Appropriation. (\$\$) -- HB0437 HD1

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HB0441 HD2 (HSCR 470)

### RELATING TO CIGARETTE TAXES.

Introduced by: Garrett A, Chun C, Evslin L, Kapela J, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, La Chica T, Marten L, Olds I, Sayama J

Amends provisions relating to taxes; and disposition of revenues under cigarette tax and tobacco tax law. Amends the cigarette tax beginning on July 1, 2025. Requires the increase in the cigarette tax amount to be deposited to the hawaii cancer research special fund. -- HB0441 HD2

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HB0442 HD1 (HSCR 439)

### RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.

Introduced by: Garrett A, Chun C, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, Marten L, Olds I, Sayama J, Souza K, Takayama G, Takenouchi J

Appropriation to the university of Hawaii for Manoa (UOH 100) West Oahu nursing collaboration phase III and for the online RN to BS program. -- Appropriation to the university of Hawaii for West Oahu (UOH 700) for the pre nursing pathway. -- Appropriation to the university of Hawaii for Hilo (UOH 210) to increase its school of nursing cohort size. (\$\$) -- HB0442 HD1

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HB0448 HD1 (HSCR 161)

### RELATING TO TECHNOLOGY ENABLEMENT.

Introduced by: Tam A, Kitagawa L, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Marten L, Quinlan S, Takayama G, Tarnas D

Appropriation to the Hawaii technology development corporation for the Hawaii technology development corporation to assist small businesses, including those related to the tourism sector, with technology enablement; provided that the Hawaii technology development corporation may collaborate with other state or county agencies as necessary for the implementation of any projects for the purposes of this provision (\$\$). Requires the Hawaii technology development corporation to submit a report to the legislature on the status of assisting small businesses, including those related to the tourism sector, with technology enablement using the funds appropriated pursuant to this provision no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular sessions of 2026 and 2027 (report to the legislature). -- HB0448 HD1

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HB0449 HD1 (HSCR 157)

### RELATING TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Introduced by: Ilagan G

Appropriation to the Hawaii technology development corporation for assisting in the development and promotion of Hawaii-manufactured products through the INNOVATE Hawaii program. (\$\$) -- HB0449 HD1

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HB0450 HD3 (HSCR 1005)

### RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM.

Introduced by: Ilagan G

Amends provisions relating to King Kamehameha celebration commission; establishment of foundation; duties; rules; department of accounting and general services; works of art special fund. 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 the authority held by the comptroller over the works of art special fund to the director of business, economic development, and tourism. -- Appropriation to the department of business, economic development, and tourism for the establishment of \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) administrator position within the administrative services office of the department of business, economic development, and tourism to assist with the transfer. -- Appropriation to the state foundation on culture and the arts for the establishment of \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) administrator position within the state foundation on culture and the arts to support the transition and a sustained future. (\$\$) -- HB0450 HD3

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HB0454 HD2 (HSCR 1165)

### RELATING TO THE HAWAII TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.

Introduced by: Ilagan G

Establishes state goals related to economic diversification. Requires no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular sessions of 2026, 2027, and 2028, the Hawaii technology development corporation to submit a report to the legislature. -- Appropriation to the Hawaii technology development corporation for the purpose of economic diversification, as described in provision 2 of this act as follows: \_\_\_\_\_ dollars for the Hawaii small business innovation research program; \_\_\_\_\_ dollars for the manufacturing assistance program; and \_\_\_\_\_ dollars for accelerator programs facilitated by the Hawaii technology development corporation. (Report to Legislature) (\$\$)

-- HB0454 HD2

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HB0455 HD1 (HSCR 300)

### RELATING TO SMALL BUSINESS LOANS.

Introduced by: Ilagan G, Evslin L, Garcia D, Ichiyama L, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Kitagawa L, Kong S, La Chica T, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Morikawa D, Perruso A, Quinlan S, Sayama J, Souza K, Takayama G, Tam A, Ward G

Establishes the Hawaii Start-up Business Loan Program law. Establishes provisions relating to the Hawaii start-up business loan program. Establishes a Hawaii start-up business loan program that shall be administered by the division in coordination with the Hawaii technology development corporation. -- Establishes provisions relating to functions, powers, and duties of the division; rules. Requires the rules to: provide for inspection at reasonable hours of the place of business and records of a business that has applied for or has been issued a loan, and require the submission of progress and final reports. -- Establishes provisions relating to direct loans; terms and restrictions. Allows the division to make loans to address start-up business concerns, including the financing of working capital, construction or improvement of facilities, and equipment. -- Establishes provisions relating to the Hawaii start-up business loan program special fund. Requires moneys in the Hawaii start-up business loan program special fund to be administered by the department and shall be used for providing loans to start-up businesses. -- Appropriation into and out of the Hawaii start up business loan program special fund to the department of business, economic development, and tourism for the purposes of implementing the Hawaii start up business loan program and providing loans under the program (\$\$). -- Appropriation to the department of business, economic development, and tourism to fund full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_FTE) business loan officer position to administer loans under the Hawaii start-up business loan program (\$\$). --

HB0455 HD1

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HB0458 HD2 (HSCR 1089)

### RELATING TO BROTHER JOSEPH DUTTON DAY.

Introduced by: Ilagan G

Establishes provisions relating to Brother Joseph Dutton Day. Requires April 27 of each year to be known and designated as Brother Joseph Dutton Day. Provides that this day is not and shall not be construed to be a state holiday. -- HB0458 HD2

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HB0463 HD3 (HSCR 1071)

### RELATING TO EVICTION RECORDS.

Introduced by: Grandinetti T, Marten L, Perruso A, Tam A, Todd C

Establishes provisions relating to eviction records; disassociation. Provides that within a reasonable time, the court shall disassociate a residential tenant from a legal proceeding brought by a landlord to evict the tenant, if the final resolution of an eviction proceeding does not result in a judgment for possession in favor of the landlord, including instances in which a case was dismissed for any reason; or all parties agree to the disassociation, regardless of the final disposition of the claim. Allows the court to disassociate a residential tenant from a legal proceeding brought by a landlord to evict the tenant, upon motion by the tenant if the tenant demonstrates by a preponderance of the evidence that certain conditions are met. -- Establishes provisions relating to eviction discrimination; prohibited. Provides that it shall be a discriminatory practice for a person to engage in any act deemed unlawful under this law based on the actual knowledge or

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belief that a person has been the subject of an eviction action identified in this provision. -- Amends provisions relating to discriminatory practices under discrimination in real property transactions law. Requires it to be a discriminatory practice for an owner or any other person engaging in a real estate transaction, or for a real estate broker or salesperson, because of status as a residential tenant in an eviction action identified in this provision to refuse to engage or discriminate in the specified real property transactions. -- HB0463 HD3

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### HB0472 HD1 (HSCR 620)

#### RELATING TO DIGITAL IDENTIFICATION.

Introduced by: Lee M, Amato T, Belatti D, Hashem M, Holt D, Iwamoto K, Keohokapu-Loy S, Kitagawa L, Kusch M, Lowen N, Marten L, Miyake T, Olds I, Pierick E, Sayama J, Takayama G, Todd C

Establishes provisions relating to digitized identification cards; acceptance; liability under highway safety law. Requires digitized identification cards to be accepted as a valid form of identification under certain conditions. Allows state and county law enforcement agencies to accept a digitized identification card as proof of a person's identity. -- HB0472 HD1

Current Status: Mar=06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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### HB0474 HD2 (HSCR 1012)

#### RELATING TO FALL PREVENTION.

Introduced by: Lee M, Belatti D, Chun C, Garcia D, Grandinetti T, Ichiyama L, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Kong S, Kusch M, Lamosao R, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Matsumoto L, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Olds I, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Sayama J, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tam A, Tarnas D, Todd C, Ward G

Appropriation to the department of health for \_\_\_\_ full time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) fall prevention and early detection coordinator position. (\$\$) -- HB0474 HD2

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### HB0476 HD2 (HSCR 1166)

#### RELATING TO CAPITAL GAINS TAX.

Introduced by: Sayama J, Holt D, Kila D, Matayoshi S

Amends provisions relating to tax imposed on individuals; rates. Prohibits if a taxpayer has a net capital gain for any taxable year to which this subsection applies, then the tax imposed by this provision to exceed the sum of: the amount of taxable income taxed at a rate below \_\_\_\_ per cent, plus a tax of \_\_\_\_ per cent of the amount of taxable income in excess of the amount determined under this provision. -- Amends provisions relating to alternative tax for corporations. Requires if for any taxable year a corporation, regulated investment company, or real estate investment trust has a net capital gain, then, in lieu of the tax imposed by provision relating to tax on corporations; rates; credit of shareholder of regulated investment company, there is hereby imposed a tax (if such tax is less than the tax imposed under this provision) which to consist of the sum of: a tax computed on the taxable income reduced by the amount of the net capital gain, at the rates and in the manner as if this provision had not been enacted, plus the sum of: \_\_\_\_ per cent of the excess (if any) of: the net capital gain for the taxable year, over the amount of the net capital gain taken into account under this provision. --HB0476 HD2

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### HB0477 HD1 (HSCR 539)

#### RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW.

Introduced by: Sayama J, Hashem M, Holt D, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Takenouchi J, Tarnas D

Amends provisions relating to eligibility for benefits under Hawaii employment security law; partial unemployment; waivers; notice of determinations; appeals, filing, and hearing; contribution rates, how determined; voluntary deduction and withholding of federal and state income taxes. Repeals provisions relating to requirement to post work availability online. Amends the qualifications for unemployed individuals who are able to receive certain unemployment benefits. Permits electronic notification of determinations or redeterminations of unemployment claims. Removes language that limited an individual's ability to change a previously elected withholding status only once during a benefit year. -- HB0477 HD1

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HB0480 HD1 (HSCR 11)

### RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION.

Introduced by: Matayoshi S, Chun C, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kitagawa L, Lee M, Sayama J, Tarnas D, Todd C

Establishes provisions relating to functional capacity exam; and qualification and duties of health care providers under workers' compensation law. Allows an attending physician to request a functional capacity exam and refer an injured employee for the exam without 1st obtaining permission from the employee's employer. Allows licensed occupational and physical therapists to be deemed qualified to perform functional capacity exams. -- HB0480 HD1

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HB0496 HD2 (HSCR 676)

### RELATING TO MAMAKI TEA.

Introduced by: Kahaloa K, Amato T, Chun C, Evslin L, Grandinetti T, Kapela J, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Marten L, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tam A

Establishes provisions relating to Mamaki tea; labeling requirements. Prohibits any label on a consumer package that contains or includes tea or dried leaves from the plant *Pipturus albidus* to contain the words Mamaki, Hawaii, or Hawaiian, or any variation of these terms, unless 100 per cent of the tea or dried leaves were grown in the State. Requires any nonconsumer package containing tea or dried leaves from the plant *Pipturus albidus* grown in the State and introduced into intrastate or interstate commerce to bear on the package a label stating that the package contains Hawaii-grown mamaki tea by using the words Hawaii-grown mamaki tea. Requires this label to be required in addition to all other labeling requirements specified in this law. Requires any person keeping, offering, displaying, exposing for sale, or soliciting for sale any tea or dried leaves from the plant *Pipturus albidus* subject to and labeled in accordance with this provision to make available to the administrator, upon demand, documented proof that the tea or dried leaves were grown in the State. -- Appropriation to the department of agriculture to establish 1 full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) measurement standards inspector V position to support enforcement of labeling regulations pursuant to this Act (\$\$). -- HB0496 HD2

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HB0504 HD2 (HSCR 1112)

### RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP.

Introduced by: Ichiyama L

Amends provisions relating to imposition and rates under the Transient Accommodations Tax law. Requires there is levied and to be assessed and collected each month a tax of: 9.25 per cent for the period beginning on July 1, 2010 to December 31, 2026; and \_\_\_\_ per cent for the period beginning on January 1, 2027, and thereafter, on the gross rental or gross rental proceeds derived from furnishing transient accommodations. Requires there is levied and to be assessed and collected each month, on the occupant of a resort time share vacation unit, a transient accommodations tax of: 9.25 per cent on the fair market rental value for the period beginning on January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2026; and \_\_\_\_ per cent on the fair market rental value for the period beginning on January 1, 2027, and thereafter. Provides that beginning on January 1, 2027, there is levied and shall be assessed and collected each month a tax of 20 dollars per night on each furnishing of a transient accommodation in exchange for points, miles, or other amounts provided through a membership, loyalty, or rewards program. Requires, in addition to amounts owed under this provision, any additional gross rental or gross rental proceeds derived from furnishing or arranging a transient accommodation in exchange for points, miles, or other amounts provided through a membership, loyalty, or rewards program to remain subject to levy, assessment, and collection pursuant to this provision. -- Requires the department of land and natural resources to submit a report to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular sessions of 2026 and 2027 on each project funded through this provision (report to the legislature). -- Appropriation to the department of land and natural resources for projects that: protect, restore, or enhance the State's natural resources, including native forests, native plants and animals, aquatic resources, coastal lands, and freshwater resources, and promote economic development relating to the tourism industry; address climate change impacts, including projects that mitigate, adapt to, or increase resiliency against climate change; these projects may include vegetation management to reduce wildfire risk, coastal environmental management and restoration, or watershed restoration to reduce flooding and enhance water management; promote sustainable tourism models and destination management

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to reduce visitor impacts on the natural environment; or ensure that the State's natural resources are maintained for future visitors; provided that the department of land and natural resources may utilize these funds for consultants, personnel, contracts, and administrative costs required to develop and implement these projects; provided further that the department of land and natural resources shall consult with the Hawaii tourism authority and the respective county on tourism-related projects (\$\$). -- Establishes provisions relating to reimbursable general obligation bond debt service special fund; established; distribution of funds. Establishes a reimbursable general obligation bond debt service special fund to be administered by the department of budget and finance. Requires moneys allocated to the reimbursable general obligation bond debt service special fund to be used to fund debt service payments on general obligation bond funds issued. Requires all interest earned on the moneys in the special fund to be credited to the special fund. Requires the special fund to be exempt from the central service expenses deduction under transfers from special funds for central service expenses and departmental administrative expenses deduction under special fund reimbursements for departmental administrative expenses. Requires any amounts allocated and disbursed pursuant to this provision to be subject to the availability of funds deposited and on balance in the special fund. Prohibits the director of finance to allocate or disburse any amounts from the special fund that are in excess of any amounts deposited and on balance in the special fund. -- Requires the department of budget and finance to submit an annual report to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session on the total amount of funds allocated pursuant to this provision (report to the legislature). Allows the director of finance to establish rules, exempt from Administrative Procedure law, for the purposes of this provision. -- HB0504 HD2

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### HB0505 HD1 (HSCR 18)

#### RELATING TO RED HILL.

Introduced by: Ichiyama L, Amato T, Belatti D, Chun C, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Holt D, Hussey I, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Kitagawa L, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Lee M, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Matsumoto L, Miyake T, Olds I, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Reyes Oda J, Sayama J, Shimizu G, Souza K, Takayama G, Tam A, Tarnas D, Todd C Establishes the Red Hill Water Alliance Initiative (WAI) Law. Establishes provisions relating to definitions. Defines board, chairperson, department, and red hill water alliance initiative, special fund, and WAI. -- Establishes provisions relating to policy lead and coordination. Requires the department of land and natural resources to serve as the State's policy lead on WAI initiatives through the position of the WAI policy coordinator, to be placed in the office of the chairperson. Requires the WAI policy coordinator to: facilitate implementation and monitoring and interface with federal entities on WAI initiatives outlined in the WAI's November 2023 report; periodically and regularly review: the health status of the ecosystem; and the state of science and opportunities for remediation and rehabilitation; develop and maintain a public-facing test results dashboard describing the significance of results from the State and city and county of Honolulu, as part of a broader public education program; and coordinate the implementation of a 36 month public information and education program to describe, inform, and educate the general public and institutions on the post-defueling remediation phases for Red Hill to restore public trust, secure public support, and address health and environmental concerns. -- Establishes provisions relating to red hill remediation special fund. Establishes in the state treasury the Red Hill remediation special fund, into which shall be deposited the following moneys: appropriations by the legislature to the special fund; gifts, donations, and grants from public agencies, including the United States government, and private persons; and all interest earned on or accrued to moneys deposited in the special fund. Requires the special fund to be administered by the WAI policy coordinator. -- Establishes provisions relating to cooperation by state and county agencies. Requires all state and county agencies to provide all information and data requested by the WAI policy coordinator within 30 calendar days; provided that the WAI policy coordinator may, in the coordinator's discretion, set a longer deadline. -- Establishes provisions relating to report. Report to the legislature. -- HB0505 HD1

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### HB0506 HD1 (HSCR 301)

#### RELATING TO CONSERVATION ENFORCEMENT.

Introduced by: Ichiyama L, Hashem M, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Quinlan S  
Appropriation to the department of land and natural resources for equipment for the Oahu branch of the division of conservation and resources enforcement. (\$\$) -- HB0506 HD1

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HB0510 HD1 (HSCR 362)

### RELATING TO DECLARATION OF WATER SHORTAGE AND EMERGENCY.

Introduced by: Ichiyama L, Hashem M, Tarnas D

Amends provisions relating to the declaration of water shortage. Requires the commission to, by rule, formulate a plan for implementation during periods of water shortage. Requires the commission to, by rule, adopt a reasonable system of permit classification according to source of water supply, method of extraction or diversion, use of water, or a combination thereof. Allows the commission to declare that a water shortage exists within all or part of an area, whether within or outside of a water management area, when insufficient water is available to meet the requirements of the permit system or when conditions are such as to require a temporary reduction in total water use within or outside of the water management area to protect water resources from serious harm. Requires the commission to publish, by rule, a set of criteria for determining when a water shortage exists, including but not limited to impacts and effects of the climate crisis. Allows, in accordance with the plan adopted under this provision, the commission to impose such restrictions on 1 or more classes of permits and on the owners and operators of wells and stream diversion works that are located outside of water management areas as may be necessary to protect the water resources of the area from serious harm and to restore them to their previous water quantity or chloride level condition. Requires, when a water shortage is declared, the commission to cause a notice of the water shortage to be published in a prominent place in a newspaper of general circulation throughout the area and on the commission's website. Requires the notice to be published each day for the 1st week of the shortage, once a week for 4 months, and once a month thereafter until the declaration is rescinded. --

HB0510 HD1

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HB0511 HD1 (HSCR 595)

### RELATING TO PUBLIC LANDS.

Introduced by: Ichiyama L, Hashem M, Tarnas D

Amends provisions relating to public purposes, lands set aside by the governor; management. Provides that a survey of the land to be set aside shall not be a condition precedent to set aside public lands to a department or agency of the state; provided that a subsequent survey of the land set aside shall be binding if ratified by the board of land and natural resources and the governor; provided further that the state, its departments and agencies, and its officials and employees shall be immune from all suits of whatever character, whether sounding in law or in equity, relating to the boundaries of land set aside without a survey. --

HB0511 HD1

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HB0528 HD1 (HSCR 204)

### RELATING TO RESIDENTIAL LEASEHOLDS.

Introduced by: Miyake T, Lamosao R

Amends provisions relating to applicability under residential leaseholds law and residential leasehold condominium and cooperative law. Provides that this law applies to all lands leased as residential lots that are owned or held privately or owned by the state or its political subdivisions, except: Hawaiian home lands that are subject to Article XII of the Constitution of the state; lands owned or held by the federal; and state and county lands leased after July 1, 2025, for an initial period of no less than 99 years. Provides that this law is not meant to supersede or preclude any other remedy at law available to residential leasehold lessees or the state, including those available under monopolies; restraint of trade law. -- Amends provisions relating to applicability. Provides that this law applies to all lands on which are situated either residential condominium property regimes created under condominiums law or any predecessor thereto, or cooperative housing corporations, which are owned or held privately or by the state or by the counties, except: Hawaiian home lands subject to article XII of the state constitution; lands owned or held by the federal government; and state and county lands leased after July 1, 2025, for an initial period of no less than 99 years. --

HB0528 HD1

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HB0529 HD1 (HSCR 486)

### RELATING TO STATE FINANCES.



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Introduced by: Miyake T, Lamosao R  
Allows the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation to secure revenue bonds as a line of credit or other instrument of indebtedness in an amount not to exceed \_\_\_\_\_ dollars during the fiscal biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027, to meet the requirements of federal tax law for the bond volume cap recycling program under provisions relating to allocation of annual state ceiling. -- HB0529 HD1  
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HB0531 HD1 (HSCR 183)

RELATING TO SPECIAL NUMBER PLATES.  
Introduced by: Miyake T, Amato T, Chun C, Evslin L, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Lamosao R, Marten L, Matsumoto L, Olds I, Poepoe M, Souza K, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Todd C  
Establishes provisions relating to special number plates; university of Hawaii cancer center; authorized. Provides that notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the director of finance shall issue to any registered owner of a motor vehicle, who is a resident of the State and has completed the application and paid the required fees, special number plates for the registered owner's motor vehicle recognizing the university of Hawaii cancer center. Defines special number plate to mean a license plate that recognizes the university of Hawaii cancer center. -- HB0531 HD1  
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HB0534 HD2 (HSCR 785)

RELATING TO LABELING REQUIREMENTS.  
Introduced by: Miyake T, Amato T, Evslin L, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Kahaloa K, Lowen N, Marten L, Quinlan S, Souza K, Tarnas D  
Establishes provisions relating to raw processed ahi; labeling requirements; retail establishments. Prohibits retail establishment to keep, offer, display, expose for sale, or solicit for the sale of any raw ahi product that is an ingredient in a processed food item without a label stating the country in which the ahi was landed. Defines ahi to mean yellowfin tuna or bigeye tuna, including farm-raised fish and yellowfin tuna or bigeye tuna that meets the definition of wild fish and shellfish as defined in title 7 Code of Federal Regulations section 60.133, as amended. Defines retail establishment to mean an establishment: licensed under the Perishable Agricultural Commodities Act of 1930; and that purchases over 230,000 dollars of fresh or frozen produce per calendar year. -- HB0534 HD2  
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HB0542 HD1 (HSCR 408)

RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII PROMISE PROGRAM.  
Introduced by: Garrett A, Kapela J, Kila D, La Chica T, Olds I, Souza K  
Amends provisions relating to Hawaii community college promise program; established by changing its title to Hawaii promise program; established. Requires a student enrolled in an undergraduate program at a university of Hawaii campus, other than a community college campus, to be eligible for scholarship consideration for a maximum of 8 semesters if the student: qualifies for Hawaii resident tuition; completes and submits the Free Application for Federal Student Aid for each academic year and accepts all federal and state aid, grants, scholarships, and other funding sources that do not require repayment; is enrolled in a classified degree program with 12 or more credits per semester; maintains satisfactory academic progress, as defined by federal requirements established pursuant to title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, and determined by the campus at which the student is enrolled; and has been determined by the campus to have unmet direct cost needs. -- Appropriation to the university of Hawaii to carry out the purposes of this Act, including the provision of Hawaii promise program scholarships (\$\$). -- HB0542 HD1  
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HB0544 HD1 (HSCR 810)

RELATING TO PET INSURANCE.  
Introduced by: Garrett A, Kahaloa K, Kila D  
Establishes provisions relating to pet insurance. -- Establishes provisions relating to short title; scope and purpose; definitions; disclosures; policy conditions; sales practices for wellness programs; when deemed insurance; insurance producer training; rules; and violations. Establishes a regulatory framework specifically for pet insurance based on the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' Pet Insurance Model Act. -- HB0544

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HB0546 HD1 (HSCR 148)

RELATING TO ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE.

Introduced by: Garrett A, Kapela J, Kila D, Olds I, Sayama J

Establishes provisions relating to aloha intelligence institute; artificial intelligence; established. Establishes the aloha intelligence institute under the office of the vice president for research and innovation at the university of hawaii to develop, support, and advance artificial intelligence initiatives statewide. Requires the institute to submit a biannual report to the legislature and the governor that includes a summary of activities and achievements; financial statements and funding updates; and recommendations for future initiatives and funding needs. (Report to the legislature). -- Appropriation to the university of hawaii to establish faculty of practice and administrative professional technical positions within the aloha intelligence institute and to develop, support, and advance artificial intelligence initiatives statewide. -- Appropriation to the university of Hawaii to establish faculty of practice and administrative professional technical positions within the aloha intelligence institute and to develop, support, and advance artificial intelligence initiatives statewide pursuant to this provision as follows: \_\_\_\_ dollars for \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) permanent positions; and \_\_\_\_ dollars for non-recurring start-up expenses for the purposes of this Act. (\$\$) -- HB0546 HD1

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HB0548 HD1 (HSCR 440)

RELATING TO THE ACQUISITION OF THE SAINT FRANCIS SCHOOL CAMPUS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA.

Introduced by: Garrett A, Amato T, Kapela J, Kila D, La Chica T, Olds I, Souza K

Provides that the board of regents of the university of Hawaii, with the approval of the governor, is authorized to issue revenue bonds from time to time to finance, in whole or in part, the costs of acquiring the Saint Francis School campus located at 2707 Pamoia road in Honolulu. -- Appropriation to the university of Hawaii to carry out the purposes of provision I of this act; provided that any unexpended and unencumbered balance of the appropriation shall not lapse at the end of fiscal year 2025-2026 and shall lapse on June 30, 2028. -- Appropriation to the university of Hawaii for the acquisition of the Saint Francis School campus located at 2707 Pamoia road in Honolulu. (\$\$) -- HB0548 HD1

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HB0549 HD3 (HSCR 1028)

RELATING TO AN EARLY LEARNING APPRENTICESHIP GRANT PROGRAM.

Introduced by: Garrett A, Chun C, Evslin L, Kila D, La Chica T, Lee M, Marten L, Olds I, Sayama J, Takayama G, Takenouchi J

Establishes that there is an early learning apprenticeship grant program to be administered by the university to provide financial support for early learning program service providers in the state to participate in early learning apprenticeship programs. Provides that the university shall award grants to an early learning program service provider licensed or registered to provide child care in the state that participates in a state- or federally-approved early learning apprenticeship program as an employer or sponsor. Requires the university to determine the grant amount per license. Provides that the university shall award grants based on criteria developed by the university in consultation with the executive office on early learning. Requires the grant program to provide financial assistance to eligible early learning program service providers to cover the costs associated with their participation in a state- or federally-approved early learning apprenticeship program, including: personnel expenses and wages; training expenses; mentorship expenses; administrative costs; and wage or salary increases, wage supplements, or other compensation enhancements as needed to attract and retain qualified employees within the state- or federally-approved apprenticeship framework, including apprentices and other early learning employees; provided that the wages shall match statutorily-required wage requirements or prevailing industry standards, whichever is higher. Allows the university to collaborate with the counties to administer the grant program. Requires the university to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation regarding the grant program to the legislature, no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session. Defines early learning program to mean a publicly- or privately-run program within the state's early learning system governed pursuant to early learning system law. Defines early learning program to include center-based programs, family child care programs, family-child interaction

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learning programs, and home-based instruction programs. Defines grant program to mean the early learning apprenticeship program. -- Appropriation to the university of Hawaii to implement and administer the early learning apprenticeship grant program. (Report to Legislature) (\$\$) -- HB0549 HD3

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HB0550 HD2 (HSCR 1145)

RELATING TO FIREWORKS.

Introduced by: Chun C, Belatti D, Evslin L, Garrett A, Iwamoto K, Kitagawa L, Lamosao R, Lee M, Lowen N, Marten L, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Olds I, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Sayama J, Takenouchi J, Tam A, Todd C

Amends provisions relating to enforcement; probable cause for arrest. Requires video recordings or other recordings made by a law enforcement agency using, controlling, or operating an unmanned aerial vehicle to establish probable cause for an arrest if: the unmanned aerial vehicle is recording directly above a public park, street, sidewalk, or easement, or any public property; and the act leading to the arrest is committed on a public park, street, sidewalk, or easement, or any public property. -- Appropriation to the department of law enforcement for the purchase of unmanned aerial vehicles to monitor the use of illegal fireworks. (\$\$) -- HB0550 HD2

Current Status: Mar=06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB0560 HD1 (HSCR 724)

RELATING TO THE JUDICIARY.

Introduced by: Chun C, Evslin L, Grandinetti T, Holt D, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Lowen N, Marten L, Miyake T, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tam A, Todd C

Appropriation to the judiciary for services contracted with community based organizations that deliver essential services, streamline judicial processes, and support the judiciary's capacity to effectively meet the needs of vulnerable households. (\$\$) -- HB0560 HD1

Current Status: Mar=06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB0563 HD1 (HSCR 401)

RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII'S SPACE SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING INITIATIVE.

Introduced by: Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Garrett A, Kahaloa K, Lowen N, Souza K, Takayama G

Appropriation to the university of Hawaii to provide salaries, office supplies, stipends and other operational expenses for these programs for the institute for astronomy including \_\_\_\_ full time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) university of Hawaii space science and engineering initiative workforce development program manager, \_\_\_\_ full time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) Maunakea scholars program coordinator, and \_\_\_\_ full time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) administrative clerk for the university of Hawaii space science and engineering initiative workforce development program; and for office equipment and supplies, operational costs, and internship stipends for high school and college students. (\$\$) -- HB0563 HD1

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HB0576 HD2 (HSCR 1057)

RELATING TO RESTRICTIONS ON THE TRANSFER OF REAL PROPERTY UNDER CHAPTER 201H, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES.

Introduced by: Holt D, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Marten L, Miyake T, Todd C

Amends provisions relating to real property; restrictions on transfer; waiver of restrictions. Allows the corporation to purchase real property either by conveyance: free and clear of all mortgages and liens; or subject to existing mortgages and liens. Prohibits this provision to apply to any transfers of Hawaiian home lands under the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, of 1920, as amended. -- HB0576 HD2

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HB0596 HD1 (HSCR 545)

RELATING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.

Introduced by: Poepoe M, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Lamosao R, Marten L, Miyake T, Perruso A, Souza K, Takenouchi J

Amends provisions relating to definitions under the Emergency Management law. Redefines disaster to mean the occurrence or imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury, or loss of life, property, or environment resulting from any sudden natural or artificial cause, including hurricanes, windstorms, floods, extreme rain events,

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earthquakes, landslides, mudslides, volcanic activity, tsunamis, fires, explosions, air or water contamination, blight, droughts, infestations, riots, sabotage, hostile military or paramilitary action, disruption of state services, hazardous material accidents, disease or contagion outbreaks, bioterrorism, terrorism, or incidents involving weapons of mass destruction, and requires, or may require, assistance from other counties, states, the federal government, or from private agencies. Redefines emergency to mean the occurrence, or imminent threat thereof, of a disaster that causes or may be likely to cause catastrophic harm and immediate danger to the population, substantial damage to or loss of property, or substantial damage to or loss of the environment and that timely action can avert or minimize. -- HB0596 HD1

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HB0606 HD1 (HSCR 50)

### RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS.

Introduced by: Poepoe M, Amato T, Belatti D, Evslin L, Garcia D, Grandinetti T, Holt D, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Lowen N, Marten L, Perruso A, Quinlan S, Reyes Oda J, Souza K, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tam A, Tarnas D

Amends provisions relating to Act 125, Session Laws of Hawaii 2024, relating to the department of Hawaiian home lands. Requires on June 30, 2028, the Act 279 special fund to be abolished and any unexpended and unencumbered balance as of the close of business on June 30, 2028, shall lapse to the general fund on that date. -- Requires this Act to take effect on June 29, 2024; provided that specified provisions shall be repealed on June 30, 2028 (sunset). -- Requires the department of Hawaiian home lands to submit a strategic plan to the legislature no later than December 10, 2025, detailing the anticipated number of waitlisted beneficiaries served through the appropriation made pursuant to this Act; infrastructure and land development projects to be funded by the appropriation made pursuant to section 6 of this Act; and recommendations for additional measures to eliminate the waitlist entirely. -- Requires the department of Hawaiian home lands to submit a report to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session, beginning with the regular session of 2026, that includes a detailed accounting of the expenditures from funds appropriated pursuant to this Act in the previous fiscal year; progress on lot development, land acquisition, and other funded initiatives; and the number of beneficiaries assisted and remaining on the waiting list. -- Appropriation into and out of the Act 279 special fund established pursuant to Act 125, Session Laws of Hawaii 2024, to the department of Hawaiian home lands for the purposes of the special fund. Report to the legislature. (\$\$) -- HB0606 HD1

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HB0613 HD1 (HSCR 524)

### RELATING TO HOMELESS YOUTH.

Introduced by: Marten L, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Lee M, Lowen N, Matayoshi S, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Tam A, Tarnas D, Todd C

Establishes provisions relating to safe spaces for youth program under office of youth services law. Establishes within the office of youth services a safe spaces for youth program, which shall provide, subject to the availability of funds, safe spaces in each county for youth and young adults experiencing or at risk for homelessness. Report to the legislature. -- Appropriation to the department of human services for a permanent safe spaces for youth program within the office of youth services. (\$\$) -- HB0613 HD1

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HB0619 HD1 (HSCR 580)

### RELATING TO EDUCATION.

Introduced by: Woodson J, Amato T, Chun C, Garcia D, Holt D, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Kitagawa L, La Chica T, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Morikawa D, Poepoe M, Sayama J, Tam A, Tarnas D, Todd C, Ward G

Requires the board of education to adopt and enact a policy by the 2026-2027 school year directing public schools under the jurisdiction of the department of education to incorporate financial literacy education in the school's curriculum. -- HB0619 HD1

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HB0620 HD1 (HSCR 346)

### RELATING TO EDUCATION.

Introduced by: Woodson J, Amato T, Chun C, Grandinetti T, Holt D, Kahaloa K, Kila D, La Chica T, Lee M, Marten L, Matsumoto L, Morikawa D, Perruso A, Pierick E, Poepoe M, Takenouchi J, Tam A, Tarnas D, Todd C

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Establishes provisions relating to braille services under education law. Establishes provisions relating to purpose. Provides that it is a policy of the state to promote braille literacy and the provision of braille educational services needed for eligible blind students to fully participate in school and prepare for life after school ends. -- Establishes provisions relating to braille educational services; eligible blind students; braille instructional materials. Requires the individualized education programs and section 504 plans of eligible blind students to include the assessment and evaluation of eligible blind students' reading and writing abilities, instruction of braille, and provision of braille instructional materials under certain circumstances. -- Establishes provisions relating to braille literacy resource center; establishment; duties; rules. Requires the department of education to establish and maintain a braille literacy resource center. Establishes criteria for the braille literacy resource center. -- Appropriation to the department of education to establish and operate the braille literacy resource center established by this Act. (\$\$) -- HB0620 HD1

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HB0622 HD1 (HSCR 797)

### RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

Introduced by: Woodson J, Amato T, Holt D, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kitagawa L, Miyake T, Poepoe M, Tam A, Tarnas D, Todd C

Amends provisions relating to computer science; curricula plan; public schools. Requires at least 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session of the legislature, the superintendent to submit to the board and legislature a report of the computer science courses and computer science content offered during the previous school year at the schools in each complex area. -- HB0622 HD1

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HB0624 HD1 (HSCR 174)

### RELATING TO SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGISTS.

Introduced by: Woodson J, Amato T, Belatti D, Garrett A, Kapela J, La Chica T, Lowen N, Marten L, Olds I, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Souza K, Takayama G, Tarnas D  
Establishes within the department of education a school psychologists working group to recommend actionable steps for, or propose legislation on, an immediate pathway to licensure for school psychologists that can be acted upon in 2026. Requires the working group to select a chair from among the members listed in this provision. Requires members of the working group to serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for expenses, including travel expenses, necessary for the performance of their duties. Requires the working group to submit a report of its findings, recommendations, and any proposed legislation to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026. Requires the working group to cease to exist on July 31, 17 2026 (sunset). (Report to Legislature) -- HB0624 HD1

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HB0627 HD1 (HSCR 342)

### RELATING TO SCHOOL SAFETY.

Introduced by: Woodson J, Amato T, Chun C, Cochran E, Garcia D, Garrett A, Holt D, Kahaloa K, Kitagawa L, Lamosao R, Lee M, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Matsumoto L, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Poepoe M, Sayama J, Souza K, Takayama G, Tarnas D, Todd C, Ward G

Appropriation to the department of education for \_\_\_\_ full time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) targeted violence prevention and threat assessment program manager and \_\_\_\_ full time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) fire safety and security technology program manager. (\$\$) -- HB0627 HD1

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HB0628 HD1 (HSCR 42)

### RELATING TO EDUCATION.

Introduced by: Woodson J, Belatti D, Cochran E, Garcia D, Grandinetti T, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Kitagawa L, Lowen N, Marten L, Matsumoto L, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Olds I, Perruso A, Pierick E, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Reyes Oda J, Souza K, Takayama G, Tarnas D, Todd C, Ward G

Establishes provisions relating to high school diploma; armed services veterans; persons impacted by wartime activities. Provides that the department of education is authorized to establish a program to award a high school diploma to any person who did not receive a diploma as a result of compulsory or voluntary induction into the armed services and

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persons whose high school education was interrupted due to wartime practices during World War II, the Korean War, or the Vietnam War. -- HB0628 HD1

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HB0636 HD2 (HSCR 1023)

RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT.

Introduced by: La Chica T, Garcia D, Grandinetti T, Kahaloa K, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Marten L, Olds I, Souza K

Establishes provisions relating to school capital improvement project modernization initiative. Requires the school facilities authority to establish a school capital improvement project modernization initiative, which shall include a planning database for school facilities statewide. Establishes requirements for the planning database. Requires the school capital improvement project modernization initiative to identify, assess, and prioritize school facilities projects using a classification system, including school facilities projects using the information from the planning database. Requires the authority to submit a report to the legislature, governor, board of education, and superintendent to assist with statewide planning and decision-making on school facilities projects no later than August 15 of each year. (Report to the legislature). -- Appropriation into and out of the school facilities special fund to the school facilities authority to establish the school capital improvement project modernization initiative. (\$\$) -- HB0636 HD2

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HB0637 HD1 (HSCR 345)

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

Introduced by: La Chica T, Amato T, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Lowen N, Marten L, Miyake T, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Todd C, Woodson J

Establishes provisions relating to dyslexia-sensitive universal screening; evidence-based interventions; professional development; pre-service requirements. Requires all public schools, beginning with the 2026-2027 school year, to administer dyslexia-sensitive universal screening approved by the department of education for all students in kindergarten through 3rd grade. Establishes criteria for the dyslexia-sensitive universal screening. Requires the department of education to provide professional learning opportunities for complex areas and public schools on the implementation of structured literacy instruction and evidence-based interventions; and collaborate with pre-service teacher programs in higher education institutions to ensure general education teacher candidates and special education teacher candidates are trained on the implementation of structured literacy instruction. Appropriation to the department of education for dyslexia-sensitive universal screeners. (\$\$) -- HB0637 HD1

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HB0640 HD3 (HSCR 1009)

RELATING TO CHILD WELFARE.

Introduced by: Marten L, Amato T, Grandinetti T, Holt D, Iwamoto K, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Miyake T, Perruso A, Pierick E, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Souza K, Takayama G

Requires the office of ombudsman to publish on its website an annual report that identifies: the number and nature of complaints that the office of the ombudsman receives regarding the child welfare services branch of the department of human services; provided that for the purposes of this provision, nature of complaint means the relationship of the complainant with the child welfare services branch and the service provided by the child welfare services branch that is the subject of the complaint. -- Requires the child welfare services branch of the department of human services to notify all individuals, including birth families, children in foster care, and resource caregivers, that they can also file a complaint with the office of the ombudsman if they disagree with a decision made by the child welfare services branch when a case is 1st established and again at the time that an oral or written complaint is made to employees of the child welfare services branch. -- HB0640 HD3

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HB0643 HD2 (HSCR 438)

RELATING TO THE COCONUT RHINOCEROS BEETLE PROGRAM.

Introduced by: Marten L, Amato T, Belatti D, Evslin L, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Kitagawa L, Lamosao R, Lee M, Lowen N, Matsumoto L, Morikawa D, Olds I, Perruso A, Pierick E, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Reyes Oda J, Takayama G, Tam A, Todd C, Ward G

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Requires, in its coconut rhinoceros beetle response, the university of Hawaii to incorporate short-term management initiatives. -- Requires applications for grants subsidizing canopy treatment for residential palm owners pursuant to this provision of this Act to be made to the university of Hawaii. -- Appropriation to the university of Hawaii to be allocated as follows: \$\_\_\_\_\_ for training tree trimmers, arborists, and the landscaping industry on the current best management practices about coconut rhinoceros beetles; \$\_\_\_\_\_ for subsidizing canopy treatments for residential palm owners; \$\_\_\_\_\_ for extending deployment of coconut rhinoceros beetle response teams to Hawaii island and the islands of Maui, Molokai, Kauai, and Lanai when coconut rhinoceros beetles are detected; \$\_\_\_\_\_ to perform canine inspections, in coordination with the department of agriculture, for coconut rhinoceros beetles for high-risk cargo moving between islands; for 3 drones for Hawaii island and the islands of Maui and Kauai; and \$\_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent ( \_\_\_\_\_ FTE) permanent positions for biocontrol research, including technician and \_\_\_\_\_ graduate student positions (\$\$). -- HB0643 HD2

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HB0648 HD1 (HSCR 689)

### RELATING TO GUARDIANSHIP AND CONSERVATORSHIP SERVICES.

Introduced by: Marten L, Chun C, Grandinetti T, Kapela J, Lamosao R, Perruso A, Souza K, Takayama G, Tarnas D, Todd C

Establishes within the judiciary a 2-year pilot program in the probate court and family court of the 1st circuit to fund the following guardianship- and conservatorship-related court resources in situations where the respondent does not have sufficient funds to pay for 1 or more of the resources and the court has deemed the resource or resources beneficial. Requires the judiciary to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the governor and legislature no later than 40 days prior to the convening of the regular sessions of 2026 and 2021 on the guardianship- and conservatorship-related court resources pilot program. -- Appropriation the judiciary for the provision of guardianship and conservatorship related court resources in the 1st circuit probate court as part of the pilot program established pursuant to provision 2 of this act. -- Appropriation to the judiciary for the guardianship and conservatorship related court resources in the 1st circuit family court as part of the pilot program established pursuant to provision 2 of this act. (Report to Legislature) (\$\$) -- HB0648 HD1

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HB0649 HD1 (HSCR 361)

### RELATING TO SMALL BOAT HARBORS.

Introduced by: Hashem M

Establishes the small boat harbor commercial vessel special fund to be administered by the department. -- Amends provisions relating to permits and fees for state small boat harbors; permit transfers. Requires the permittee to pay moorage fees to the department for the use permit that shall be based on but not limited to the use of the vessel, the vessel's effect on the harbor, use of facilities, and the cost of administering the mooring program; provided that: \_\_\_\_\_ per cent of the revenues collected under this paragraph shall be deposited into the small boat harbor commercial vessel special fund established under ocean recreation and coastal areas programs law. -- Amends provisions relating to disposition of revenues. Provides that unless otherwise specified, all fees and penalties collected pursuant to provisions relating to permits and fees for state small boat harbors; permit transfers, violation of law or rules; penalty, general administrative penalties, and fees and charges, and all fees and penalties established by rules adopted pursuant to provisions relating to rules, shall be deposited in the boating special fund. -- Appropriation to the department of land and natural resources for the purpose of capital improvement projects for LNR801 - ocean-based recreation. (\$\$) -- HB0649 HD1

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HB0650 HD1 (HSCR 330)

### RELATING TO SEA SALT PRODUCTS.

Introduced by: Hashem M, Grandinetti T, Kahaloa K, Lamosao R, Miyake T, Perruso A  
Appropriation to the department of business, economic development, and tourism for providing education and support to local businesses regarding the United States Food and Drug Administration's guidance on colored sea salt. -- HB0650 HD1

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HB0661 HD2 (HSCR 1164)

### RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW.

Introduced by: Hashem M

Amends provisions relating to applicability and requirements under Environmental Impact Statements law. Provides that notwithstanding any provision of this law to the contrary, when an activity that has been previously permitted or authorized by a state or county agency pursuant to Aquatic Resources law, Fishing Rights and Regulations law, Commercial Fishing law, Marine Life Conservation Program law, Ocean Recreation and Coastal Areas Programs law is challenged as being subject to the requirements of this law, the activity may continue while the agency or applicant conducts an environmental assessment, prepares an environmental impact statement, or determines whether the activity is exempt under this chapter; provided that this provision shall not apply to activities involving construction, grading, dredging, or other structural modifications to land, waterways, or marine environments. -- HB0661 HD2

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HB0664 HD1 (HSCR 697)

### RELATING TO GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION.

Introduced by: Kila D, Evslin L, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tam A

Establishes the office of gun violence prevention law. Establishes provisions relating to office of gun violence prevention; established. Establishes within the department of law enforcement, for administrative purposes only, an office of gun violence prevention. Requires the head of the office of gun violence prevention to be known as the director of the office of gun violence prevention and shall be appointed by the governor. Establishes provisions relating to grant program; gun violence prevention special fund. Report to the legislature. -- Establishes provisions relating to gun violence resource bank; duties. Requires the office to create and maintain a resource bank of regularly updated and accurate materials and resources as a repository for data, research, and statistical information regarding gun violence in the State. -- Establishes provisions relating to reporting; and rules. -- Appropriation into and out of the gun violence prevention special fund to the office of gun violence prevention for the awarding of grants to organizations to conduct community-based gun violence intervention initiatives. -- Appropriation to the office of gun violence prevention for the purposes of this Act, including the hiring of personnel and the establishment of a gun violence resource bank. (\$\$) -- HB0664 HD1

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HB0667 HD1 (HSCR 385)

### RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

Introduced by: Kila D, Amato T, Chun C, Grandinetti T, Lowen N, Marten L, Miyake T, Quinlan S, Takayama G, Todd C

Establishes provisions relating to deceased cats and dogs; disposal under highway law and county highways and sidewalks law. Requires, when disposing of a deceased cat or dog found on the public roadway, the department of transportation, or appropriate county department, to check for, scan, and record the microchip of the deceased cat or dog, if any, along with the location found, descriptive information of the cat or dog and, if applicable, any contact information such as a phone number, name, or address shown on the animal's collar or tag. Requires, when disposing of a deceased cat or dog found on a public roadway, the department, or appropriate county department, to timely notify the appropriate county animal services or animal service contractors of the deceased cat or dog, including the microchip number, if any; location found; descriptive information about the cat or dog; and, if applicable, any contact information such as a phone number, name, or address shown on the animal's collar or tag. Requires a county agency assisting with the disposal of a deceased cat or dog found on a public roadway under the jurisdiction of the State to collaborate with the department of transportation to utilize the department's microchip scanners to satisfy the requirements of this provision. -- HB0667 HD1

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HB0683 HD2 (HSCR 1024)

### RELATING TO STUDENT TRANSPORTATION.

Introduced by: Kapela J, Amato T, Grandinetti T, Marten L, Perruso A, Souza K, Takayama G, Tam A, Tarnas D

Appropriation to the department of education for \_\_\_\_ full time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) permanent student transportation coordinator positions to strengthen student transportation services across the state; provided that each county shall have 1 student



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transportation coordinator. (\$\$) -- HB0683 HD2

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HB0692 HD1 (HSCR 257)

RELATING TO THE PRESCHOOL OPEN DOORS PROGRAM.

Introduced by: Marten L, Alcos III D, Amato T, Belatti D, Evslin L, Garcia D, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Kapela J, Kitagawa L, Lowen N, Matayoshi S, Olds I, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tam A, Todd C

Amends provisions relating to preschool open doors program under the Department of Human Services law. Provides that the program is intended to support families in accessing early learning services for young children. Requires, subject to the availability of funds, the program to continuously serve children who are in the 3 years prior to kindergarten entry until they enter kindergarten pursuant to kindergarten program; establishment; attendance. Requires a child care program chosen by a parent or guardian for the purposes of this law to be limited to: a group child care center that is licensed by the department under license for group child care home, group child care center required; a group child care home that is licensed by the department license for group child care home, group child care center required; or an exempt center-based provider that meets the requirements for persons exempt pursuant to exclusions; exemptions. Prohibits participation in the program to require group child care centers or group child care homes to be accredited by an approved accredited body. Allows a parent or guardian of a child enrolled in the program to share in the costs of the program through a copayment according to a sliding fee scale that is based on need pursuant to rules adopted by the department. -- Repeals provisions relating to preschool open doors program; provider accreditation. -- HB0692 HD1

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HB0697 HD2 (HSCR 750)

RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

Introduced by: Kila D, Lamosao R, Marten L, Takayama G

Establishes provisions relating to definitions under Automated Speed Enforcement System law. Defines reviewing entity to mean a county police department or authorized employee of the department of transportation or department of law enforcement. -- Amends provisions relating to automated speed enforcement system requirements. Requires proof of a violation of noncompliance with maximum speed limit under automated speed enforcement system to be evidenced by information obtained from an automated speed enforcement system authorized pursuant to this law. -- Appropriation to the department of transportation for the establishment and implementation of the automated speed enforcement systems program (\$\$). -- HB0697 HD2

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HB0698 HD1 (HSCR 826)

RELATING TO ANIMAL CRUELTY.

Introduced by: Kila D, Amato T, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Olds I, Tam A, Todd C

Amends provisions relating to cruelty to animals in the 1st degree; cruelty to animals in the 2nd degree; cruelty to animals by fighting dogs in the 1st degree; cruelty to animals by fighting dogs in the 2nd degree; cruelty to animals by trapping; causing injury or death to a service animal or law enforcement animal; pet animal or equine animal desertion; and sexual assault of an animal. Amends the criminal penalties for certain animal cruelty offenses by increasing the category of offense. -- HB0698 HD1

Current Status: Mar=06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB0700 HD1 (HSCR 511)

RELATING TO COGNITIVE ASSESSMENTS.

Introduced by: Chun C, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Kitagawa L, Lamosao R, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Olds I, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Sayama J, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Todd C

Establishes the cognitive assessments for medicare beneficiaries pilot program within the executive office on aging to provide medicare part B patients aged 65 or older with a cognitive assessment for the early detection of dementia. Requires all health care providers participating in the pilot program to offer and conduct a cognitive assessment when providing an annual wellness visit to a qualified patient. Requires the health care provider to provide a report to the executive office on aging no later than October 1 of each year. Establishes criteria for the report. Requires the executive office on aging to provide a report summarizing the information collected pursuant to this provision to the

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legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular sessions of 2027 and \_\_\_\_\_. (Report to the legislature). Requires the cognitive assessments for medicare beneficiaries pilot program to be dissolved on \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ (sunset). -- Appropriation to the executive office on aging for any costs associated with the data management and reporting requirements for the secure data transmission required by this Act. (\$\$) -- HB0700 HD1

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### HB0701 HD3 (HSCR 1020)

#### RELATING TO TAXATION.

Introduced by: Chun C, Amato T, Belatti D, Cochran E, Evslin L, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Hashem M, Holt D, Ichiyama L, Ilagan G, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Perruso A, Reyes Oda J, Shimizu G, Souza K, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tam A

Establishes provisions relating to family caregiver tax credit under income tax law. Provides a family caregiver tax credit to any relative of a care recipient who has a federal adjusted gross income of 75,000 dollars or less, or 125,000 dollars if filing a joint tax return jointly; and has undertaken the care, custody, or physical assistance of the care recipient, for out-of-pocket expenses directly incurred by the eligible taxpayer in providing care to a care recipient that have not been reimbursed, credited, paid, or otherwise covered by another individual, organization, provider, or government entity. Report to the legislature. -- Appropriation to the executive office on aging for the certification of claims for tax credits under the family caregiver tax credit. (\$\$) -- HB0701 HD3

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### HB0702 HD1 (HSCR 258)

#### RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES.

Introduced by: Marten L, Amato T, Belatti D, Chun C, Cochran E, Evslin L, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Hashem M, Ichiyama L, Ilagan G, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Kila D, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Perruso A, Sayama J, Shimizu G, Souza K, Takayama G

Appropriation to the department of human services to increase funding for medicaid in home services. Requires federal matching funds. (\$\$) -- HB0702 HD1

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### HB0703 HD1 (HSCR 519)

#### RELATING TO KUPUNA HOUSING.

Introduced by: Chun C, Amato T, Belatti D, Cochran E, Evslin L, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Hashem M, Ichiyama L, Ilagan G, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Perruso A, Reyes Oda J, Sayama J, Shimizu G, Souza K, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tam A

Amends provisions relating to uniform electronic legal material act cross references. Requires this act to take effect on July 1, 2023 and to be repealed on June 30, 2028. (sunset) -- HB0703 HD1

Current Status: Mar=04 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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### HB0705 HD1 (HSCR 415)

#### RELATING TO THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE ON AGING.

Introduced by: Chun C, Amato T, Belatti D, Cochran E, Evslin L, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Ichiyama L, Ilagan G, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Perruso A, Shimizu G, Souza K, Takayama G, Takenouchi J

Establishes within the Hawaii state health insurance assistance program a medi-medi project to assist older adults, medicare beneficiaries, individuals with disabilities, and other underserved populations who may qualify for various low-income subsidy programs, including medicare, medicaid, and medicare savings programs such as medicare part D extra help, to gain access to their benefits. Requires the executive office on aging to submit a report of its findings and recommendations regarding the medi-medi project, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session (report to the legislature). -- Appropriation to the executive office on aging for the Hawaii state health insurance assistance program, to be expended as follows: \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the establishment of 1 full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) position to implement and administer the medi-medi project; and \$\_\_\_\_\_ for other

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operating expenses (\$\$). -- HB0705 HD1

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HB0706 HD1 (HSCR 376)

RELATING TO HIGHWAY SAFETY.

Introduced by: Takenouchi J

Establishes provisions relating to skateboards; helmets required. Requires that no person under 16 years of age to operate a skateboard upon a street, roadway, bikeway, or any other public property unless the person is wearing a properly fitted and fastened helmet that is designed to fit the user, protect against head trauma, and has been tested by a nationally recognized agency such as the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, the National Safety Council, or the Children's Safety Network. Provides that this provision shall not be construed to legalize the use of skateboards in violation of any county ordinance. Defines skateboard to mean a short board with wheels that a person stands on to move along a surface or to perform tricks. -- HB0706 HD1

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HB0712 HD2 (HSCR 1072)

RELATING TO HEALTH.

Introduced by: Takayama G, Amato T, Belatti D, Chun C, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Kapela J, Kitagawa L, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Olds I, Perruso A, Pierick E, Sayama J, Souza K, Tarnas D

Establishes provisions relating to 340B Drug Discount Program. Defines 340B covered entity to mean an entity that participates in the federal 340B drug pricing program authorized by title 42 United States Code section 256b. Defines 340B drug to mean a prescription drug that is purchased by a 340B covered entity through the federal 340B drug pricing program authorized by title 42 United States Code section 256b and is dispensed by a pharmacy. -- Establishes provisions relating to drug manufacturers; discriminatory acts prohibited. Prohibits a manufacturer, or any agents or affiliates of a manufacturer, to deny, restrict, or prohibit, either directly or indirectly, the acquisition on a 340B drug by, or shipping or delivery of a 340B drug to, a pharmacy that is under a contract with a 340B drug covered entity and is authorized under the contract receive and dispense 340B drugs on behalf of the covered entity unless the receipt is prohibited by the United States department of health and human services. -- Establishes provisions relating to suits by private entities; injunctive relief only. Allows any 340B covered entity that is injured in its business or property by reason of a violation of this provision to bring a civil action to enjoin the violation. -- Establishes provisions relating to attorney general enforcement; remedies. Allows the attorney general to bring a civil action to enjoin a violation of this provision. -- Establishes provisions relating to limitation of actions. Requires any action to enforce a cause of action arising under this law to be barred unless commenced within 4 years after the cause of action accrues. -- HB0712 HD2

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HB0713 HD1 (HSCR 259)

RELATING TO A RATE STUDY FOR HOME HEALTH SERVICES.

Introduced by: Takayama G, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Hashem M, Iwamoto K, Kapela J, Lee M, Marten L, Olds I, Perruso A, Takenouchi J, Tam A, Todd C

Appropriation to the department of human services to conduct a rate study on medicaid home health services in the state. (\$\$) -- HB0713 HD1

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HB0714 HD1 (HSCR 66)

RELATING TO HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.

Introduced by: Takayama G, Amato T, Belatti D, Chun C, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Hashem M, Iwamoto K, Kapela J, Lowen N, Marten L, Olds I, Perruso A, Sayama J, Souza K, Takenouchi J, Tam A, Todd C, Ward G

Appropriation to the department of business, economic development, and tourism for educational programs to expand the state's health care workforce to be allocated as \_\_\_\_\_ dollars to support health care certification programs offered in public high schools and renovate and equip public high school classrooms to make them more suitable for health care training; and \_\_\_\_\_ dollars for education programs that support certified nurse aides in obtaining licensure as licensed practical nurses. (\$\$) -- HB0714 HD1

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HB0716 HD1 (HSCR 249)

### RELATING TO HEALTH.

Introduced by: Takayama G, Amato T, Grandinetti T, Holt D, Iwamoto K, Kitagawa L, Lamosao R, Marten L, Olds I, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Takenouchi J, Tarnas D  
Establishes provisions relating to health infrastructure grant program. Establishes a certified, hosted, and maintained health information technology infrastructure grant program within the department, to be administered by the state agency. Requires the state agency to receive and review grant applications and may award grants for eligible projects pursuant to the program. -- Establishes provisions relating to eligible projects; eligible applicants; applications; and rules. -- Appropriation to the department of health for the health information technology infrastructure grant program established pursuant to this Act. (\$\$) -- HB0716 HD1

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HB0718 HD1 (HSCR 310)

### RELATING TO POSITIONS AT THE JOHN A. BURNS SCHOOL OF MEDICINE.

Introduced by: Takayama G, Amato T, Garrett A, Hashem M, Perruso A, Tam A  
Appropriation to the university of hawaii John A. Burns school of medicine for the university of hawaii John A. Burns school of medicine to fund for \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) faculty positions; \_\_\_\_ each in the fields of cardiovascular biology, tropical medicine, and quantitative health biostatistics; and \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) environmental health and safety officer staff position. (\$\$) -- HB0718 HD1

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HB0727 HD1 (HSCR 624)

### RELATING TO THE WOMEN'S COURT.

Introduced by: Poepoe M, Amato T, Belatti D, Chun C, Cochran E, Grandinetti T, Ichiyama L, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, Kitagawa L, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Lee M, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Matsumoto L, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Perruso A, Reyes Oda J, Sayama J, Souza K, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tam A, Tarnas D, Templo S, Todd C

Establishes within the 2nd and 5th circuits of the judiciary the women's court pilot program. Requires the pilot program to implement trauma-informed and evidence-based practices, employ gender-responsive programming, collaborate with stakeholders, and provide services to women in the court system with the goal of diverting participants from incarceration, supporting their success in the community, and reducing recidivism. -- Requires the judiciary to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the governor and legislature no later than 40 days prior to the convening of the regular sessions of 2026, 2027, and 2028 (report to the legislature). -- Appropriation to the judiciary for equipment; mental health, substance abuse treatment, and other services; and the establishment of \_\_\_\_ temporary positions as follows: full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) social worker V positions; full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) social worker IV positions; full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) circuit court clerk II positions; and full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) judicial clerk positions (\$\$). -- Appropriation to the department of health for the women's court pilot program established pursuant to this Act and the establishment of \_\_\_\_ temporary positions as follows: \$\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent(\_\_\_\_ FTE) clinical psychologist position; \$\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) social worker/human services professional IV position; and \$\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) social services assistant V position (\$\$). --Requires the 3rd circuit of the judiciary and big island drug court to conduct an interim study to establish a blueprint for a women's court pilot program in the 3rd circuit. Requires the 3rd circuit of the judiciary to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation and resource requirements, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026 (report to the legislature). Requires to be repealed on June 30, 2028 (sunset). -- HB0727 HD1

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HB0729 HD2 (HSCR 1054)

### RELATING TO MARRIAGE OF MINORS.

Introduced by: Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Amato T, Belatti D, Chun C, Grandinetti T, Ichiyama L, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Kusch M, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Lee M, Lowen N, Marten L, Matsumoto L, Morikawa D, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Reyes Oda J, Sayama J, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tam A, Tarnas D, Templo S, Todd C  
Amends provisions relating to powers of guardian under uniform probate code law. Repeals provision that allows a guardian to consent to medical or other care, treatment,

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or service for the ward. -- Amends provisions relating to definitions under family courts law. Redefines guardianship of a minor and residual parental rights and responsibilities by repealing the word marriage. -- Amends provisions relating to jurisdiction; children by repealing the word marriage. -- Amends provisions relating to requisites of valid marriage contract under marriage law. Provides that in order to make valid the marriage contract, which shall be permitted between 2 individuals without regard to gender, it shall be necessary that each of the parties at the time of contracting the marriage is at least 18 years of age, rather than 16. -- Amends provisions relating to applicant apparently under age and changes its title to age of applicant under marriage law. Provides that for any applicant for a license to marry, the agent shall, before granting a license to marry, require the production of a certificate of birth or other satisfactory proof showing the age of the applicant. -- Amends provisions relating to nonage under annulment, divorce and separation law. Prohibits the marriage to be annulled on the application of a party who was of legal age at the time it was contracted. -- Repeals provisions relating to consent of parent or guardian under marriage law; and persons under age under marriage law. -- HB0729 HD2

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HB0732 HD2 (HSCR 1094)

### RELATING TO SHORELINE MANAGEMENT AREAS.

Introduced by: Evslin L, Miyake T

Amends provisions relating to definitions under the Coastal Zone Management law. Redefines special management area minor permit to mean: development of a single-family residence that is less than 3,500 square feet of floor area and is not part of a larger development; or an action by the authority authorizing development, the valuation of which is not in excess of 750,000 dollars, with inflation adjustments every 5 years starting from the effective date of this Act by the lead agency in accordance with the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor, and that has no substantial adverse environmental or ecological effect, taking into account potential cumulative effects. Redefines special management area use permit to mean an action: by the authority authorizing development, the valuation of which exceeds 750,000 dollars with inflation adjustment every 5 years starting from the effective date of this Act by the lead agency in accordance with the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor; or that may have a substantial adverse environmental or ecological effect, taking into account potential cumulative effects. -- HB0732 HD2

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HB0734 HD1 (HSCR 99)

### RELATING TO WASTEWATER SYSTEMS.

Introduced by: Evslin L, Lowen N

Requires the Department of Health, in consultation with the university of Hawaii at Manoa, the department of Hawaiian homelands; the counties; other states; wastewater industry professionals; and any other individual or organization deemed necessary by the department of health, review its rules and practices and propose changes that have the potential to make wastewater systems and cesspool upgrades in Hawaii more affordable without compromising water quality. Allows the department of health to adopt rules pursuant to administrative procedure law, for the purposes of this act. Requires the department of health to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2027. -- Appropriation to the department of health to hire a consultant to advise on changes to its rules and policies that have the potential to make wastewater systems and cesspool upgrades more affordable without compromising water quality. (Report to the Legislature) (\$\$) -- HB0734 HD1

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HB0735 HD2 (HSCR 631)

### RELATING TO WASTEWATER.

Introduced by: Evslin L, Kahaloa K, Lowen N, Marten L, Matsumoto L, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Nakamura N, Pierick E, Tarnas D, Todd C

Establishes provisions relating to individual wastewater system; dwelling units. Allows an individual wastewater system to serve up to 5 bedrooms, regardless of the number of: dwelling or dwelling units; or accessory units as defined by the counties, whether the dwelling, dwelling units, or accessory units are attached or detached; provided that this

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provision shall not apply to any new requests to connect additional dwelling units to an existing cesspool. -- HB0735 HD2

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HB0736 HD1 (HSCR 100)

RELATING TO WASTEWATER SYSTEMS.

Introduced by: Evslin L, Amato T, Holt D, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kitagawa L, Marten L, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Nakamura N, Perruso A, Tarnas D, Todd C  
Establishes a 3 year new wastewater system and individual wastewater system technology demonstration and implementation pilot program within the university of hawaii at manoa water resources research center. Requires the university of hawaii at manoa water resources research center to meet specific requirements. Requires the university of hawaii at manoa water resources research center to submit an annual interim report to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session for the duration of the pilot program; and a final report to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2028. (Report to the legislature). Establishes report criteria. Requires the pilot program to cease to exist on June 30, 2028 (sunset). -- Appropriation to the university of hawaii to implement the new wastewater system and individual wastewater system technology testing pilot program established pursuant to this Act. (\$\$) -- HB0736 HD1

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HB0739 HD2 (HSCR 693)

RELATING TO HOUSING.

Introduced by: Evslin L, Miyake T  
Establishes provisions relating to Kamaaina homes program. Establishes provisions relating to Kamaaina homes program; established; general provisions. Establishes within the corporation the kamaaina homes program to provide counties funding through the dwelling unit revolving fund to purchase voluntary deed restrictions from eligible homeowners or homebuyers. -- Establishes provisions relating to deed restriction; requirements; remedies; environmental impact statement; conveyance tax; procurement code; exemptions; annual reporting. -- Amends provisions relating to housing; additional county powers; dwelling unit revolving fund; exemptions; and exclusions from statutory rule against perpetuities. -- HB0739 HD2

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HB0740 HD2 (HSCR 617)

RELATING TO HOUSING.

Introduced by: Evslin L, Amato T, Grandinetti T, Holt D, Kahaloa K, Matsumoto L, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Souza K, Tarnas D, Ward G  
Establishes provisions relating to accessory dwelling unit financing and deed restriction program. Establishes provisions relating to accessory dwelling unit financing and deed restriction program; established. Establishes within the corporation an accessory dwelling unit financing and deed restriction program. Provides that under the accessory dwelling unit financing and deed restriction program, the corporation may allocate funds from the dwelling unit revolving fund to a county to; provide grants to eligible homeowners or homebuyers to finance construction costs, development costs, and non-reoccurring closing costs associated with the construction of an accessory dwelling unit; and purchase a deed restriction from eligible homeowners or homebuyers to be placed on the primary dwelling unit and accessory dwelling unit funded pursuant to this provision. -- Establishes provisions relating to deed restriction; requirements; remedies; environmental impact statement; conveyance tax; procurement code; exemptions; annual reporting. -- Amends provisions relating to housing; additional county powers; application of this chapter; dwelling unit revolving fund; exemptions; and exclusions from statutory rule against perpetuities. -- HB0740 HD2

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HB0741 HD2 (HSCR 1037)

RELATING TO HOUSING.

Introduced by: Evslin L, Miyake T, Nakamura N  
Establishes provisions relating to prevailing wages; exemption. Requires, notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, any affordable housing project financed by a nonprofit community development financial institution that is certified by the corporation as utilizing less than \$\_\_\_\_\_ from the affordable homeownership revolving fund to be exempt from Wages and Hours of Employees on Public Works law. -- Amends provisions relating to

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applicability; wages, hours, and other requirements. Requires this law to apply to every contract in excess of 2,000 dollars for construction of a public work project to which a governmental contracting agency is a party; provided that this law shall not apply to experimental and demonstration housing developed pursuant to experimental and demonstration housing projects; housing developed pursuant to Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation law if the cost of the project is less than 500,000 dollars and the eligible bidder or eligible developer is a private nonprofit corporation; or affordable housing financed by a nonprofit community development financial institution that is certified by the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation as utilizing less than \$\_\_\_\_\_ from the affordable homeownership revolving fund. -- HB0741 HD2  
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HB0749 HD1 (HSCR 348)

### RELATING TO CESSPOOLS.

Introduced by: Lowen N, Belatti D, Evslin L, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Kapela J, La Chica T, Marten L, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Perruso A, Pierick E, Poepoe M, Shimizu G, Tarnas D, Todd C  
Establishes provisions relating to wastewater branch; cesspool conversion section. Establishes a cesspool conversion section within the wastewater branch of the department of health, which shall: manage and facilitate various state financing options for the conversion of cesspools in the State; develop and manage public outreach and education regarding the conversion of cesspools; inform cesspool owners of available options and assistance for compliant conversions of cesspools; manage any federal, state, or other available grants to assist with the conversion of cesspools; secure available federal funding that may be used to assist in the conversion of cesspools; and facilitate partnerships with counties, nongovernmental organizations, and the private sector relating to the department's responsibilities under this provision. Defines conversion of cesspools to mean the connection of a cesspool to a sewerage system or upgrade or conversion of a cesspool to a director-approved wastewater system. -- Appropriation to the department of health to establish \_\_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_\_ FTE) permanent positions within the cesspool conversion section established pursuant to water pollution (\$\$). -- HB0749 HD1  
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HB0750 HD2 (HSCR 779)

### RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENT.

Introduced by: Lowen N, Belatti D, Evslin L, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Kapela J, La Chica T, Marten L, Perruso A, Pierick E, Poepoe M, Shimizu G, Souza K, Tarnas D  
Amends provisions relating to deposit into deposit beverage container deposit special fund; use of funds. Requires moneys in the deposit beverage container deposit special fund to be used to reimburse refund values and pay handling fees to redemption centers. Allows the department to also use the money to: evaluate and promote recyclable market development activities. -- Requires the department of health to conduct a statewide needs assessment to determine what will be needed to reduce waste generation, increase reuse, improve collection services, and expand local processing of materials through an extended producer responsibility program for packaging materials and paper products. Requires the needs assessment to detail the resources required in each county to reduce as much as feasible the packaging materials waste and paper products that the county sends to a landfill or power plant that burns municipal solid waste. Requires the department of health to convene an advisory council to review the draft needs assessment and propose recommendations throughout the assessment process. Requires the department of health to hold a public hearing to obtain comments on the draft needs assessment. Requires the department of health to complete and submit the needs assessment, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature by December 31, 2028. -- Appropriation to the department of health for to conduct a statewide needs assessment, pursuant to provision 3 of this act, to inform the future establishment of an extended producer responsibility program; provided that: the moneys shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal year for which the appropriation is made; and all moneys from the appropriation unencumbered shall lapse as of the close of business on June 30, 2027, to the credit of the deposit beverage container deposit special fund. (Report to Legislature) (\$\$) -- HB0750 HD2  
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HB0751 HD2 (HSCR 1014)

### RELATING TO ORGANIC WASTE.

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Introduced by: Perruso A, Amato T, Belatti D, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Lowen N, Marten L, Pierick E, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Souza K, Tam A, Todd C

Establishes provisions relating to benchmarks organic waste generators; goals; and contents of the program element under integrated solid waste management law. Establishes statewide goals for solid waste reduction and organic waste diversion. -- Requires each county to incorporate the new requirement established by this Act into its next integrated solid waste management plan revision for submission to the office of solid waste management. -- Appropriation to the department of health for the purposes of this Act. (\$\$) -- HB0751 HD2

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HB0754 HD2 (HSCR 1025)

RELATING TO COMMUNITY SCHOOLS.

Introduced by: Woodson J, Amato T, Grandinetti T, Holt D, Iwamoto K, Lamosao R, Lee M, Olds I, Perruso A, Poepoe M

Appropriation to the department of education for community schools, including for \_\_\_\_ full time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) program manager in the department. (\$\$) -- HB0754 HD2

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HB0756 HD2 (HSCR 553)

RELATING TO HEALTH.

Introduced by: Matayoshi S, Chun C, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Ichiyama L, Kapela J, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kitagawa L, La Chica T, Lee M, Marten L, Olds I, Perruso A, Sayama J, Takayama G

Establishes provisions relating to the sale of flavored nicotine products prohibited under department of health law. -- Establishes provisions relating to sale of flavored nicotine products and nicotine product flavor enhancers; mislabeling as nicotine-free. Beginning January 1, 2026, prohibits any retailer to sell, offer for sale, or possess with the intent to sell or offer for sale, a flavored nicotine product or nicotine product flavor enhancer; or mislabel as nicotine free, or sell or market for sale as nicotine free, any e liquid product that contains nicotine. Establishes fines for violations. -- Establishes provisions relating to inspectors; authority and access to records. Allows the director to appoint, commission, or contract for services of a 3rd party 1 or more inspectors as the exigencies of the enforcement of this provision may require. -- Establishes provisions relating to administrative rules. Requires the department to adopt administrative rules to effectuate the purposes of this provision. -- Establishes provisions relating to contract for services. -- Establishes \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) program specialist positions to review, process, and initiate inspections under the authority of the department of health and \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) hearings officer position to preside over administrative hearings and other related hearings duties as required under this Act. -- Appropriation to the department of health to carry out the purposes of this Act, including hiring of necessary staff, including \_\_\_\_ full time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) program specialist positions and \_\_\_\_ full time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) hearings officer position. (\$\$) -- HB0756 HD2

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HB0763 HD1 (HSCR 344)

RELATING TO CIVIC EDUCATION.

Introduced by: Perruso A, Belatti D, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Hussey I, Kapela J, Matsumoto L, Olds I, Pierick E, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Reyes Oda J, Souza K, Takayama G

Establishes provisions relating to hawaii civic education trust fund; established. Establishes the hawaii civic education trust fund as a separate fund of the department of education to support programs benefiting civic education of public school students. Requires moneys received from the state or a county, private contributions of cash and other property, and the income and capital gains earned by the trust fund to constitute the trust fund assets. Requires the department of education to have the sole responsibility for the administration and expenditure of moneys from the trust fund for the purposes of this provision. Establishes criteria for the hawaii civic education trust fund. -- Appropriation to the department of education or the expansion of civic education in public schools, including professional development and classroom resources related to the hawaii core standards in social studies. -- Appropriation to the department of education for \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) permanent civic education resource teacher positions. (\$\$) -- HB0763 HD1



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HB0773 HD1 (HSCR 397)

### RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

Introduced by: Kahaloa K, Amato T, Belatti D, Evslin L, Holt D, Hussey I, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Morikawa D, Perruso A, Poepoe M

Appropriation to the department of agriculture for the establishment of \_\_\_\_ full time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) grant specialist positions within the department to assist farmers and ranchers in applying for, obtaining, and fulfilling the requirements of grants offered by the US department of agriculture, state, counties, or private entities, provided that the grant specialist positions shall prioritize assisting farmers and ranchers who produce local food that is at least partly consumed within the state. (\$\$) -- HB0773 HD1

Current Status: Feb=28 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB0774 HD2 (HSCR 560)

### RELATING TO VALUE-ADDED PRODUCTS.

Introduced by: Kahaloa K

Establishes provisions relating to food and product innovation network; established. Establishes the food and product innovation network within the agribusiness development corporation to establish a statewide network of open-access food and value-added product development facilities to enable businesses to scale up new products from research and development to manufacturing and commercialization. Establishes criteria for the food and product innovation network. Requires the agribusiness development corporation to submit a report to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session. (Report to the legislature). Establishes criteria for the report. -- Amends provisions relating to definitions; and powers; generally. -- HB0774 HD2

Current Status: Feb=28 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB0778 HD2 (HSCR 1032)

### RELATING TO INTEGRATED LAND USE.

Introduced by: Kahaloa K

Requires the office of planning and sustainable development to conduct an integrated land use study for agricultural districts as classified under districting and classification of lands. -- Requires the office of planning and sustainable development to submit an interim report to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026 on the progress of developing data-based estimates and the progress of the integrated land use study and a final report to the legislature and the land use commission no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2027 (report to the legislature). -- Appropriation to the office of planning and sustainable development for the establishment of \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) planner positions, exempt from Civil Service law, and for computers, office supplies, travel, and other expenses to conduct the integrated land use study (\$\$). -- Appropriation to the office of planning and sustainable development for personnel costs and other expenses of the integrated land use study project (\$\$). -- HB0778 HD2

Current Status: Mar=06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB0782 HD1 (HSCR 399)

### RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

Introduced by: Kahaloa K, Amato T, Evslin L, Hashem M, Kapela J, Kila D, Lamosao R, Morikawa D, Perruso A, Takayama G

Establishes a working group within the department of agriculture to review and make recommendations on amending or repealing unnecessary or obsolete laws pertaining to agriculture. Establishes criteria for the working group. Requires the working group to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, regarding its review of unnecessary or obsolete laws pertaining to agriculture no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026. (Report to the legislature). Requires the working group to cease to exist on June 30, 2026 (sunset). -- Appropriation to the department of agriculture for the working group established pursuant to this Act. (\$\$) -- HB0782 HD1

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HB0784 HD1 (HSCR 326)

### RELATING TO HEALTH.

Introduced by: Lowen N, Kahaloa K, Keohokapu-Loy S, Kusch M, Takayama G,

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Tarnas D, Todd C

Appropriation to the department of health for the operation of an advanced life support ambulance for the island of Hawaii, including operating costs and personnel costs for state-certified emergency medical service personnel, to be based in Makalei. (\$\$) -- HB0784 HD1

Current Status: Mar=04 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB0792 HD1 (HSCR 278)

RELATING TO GOVERNMENT SERVICES.

Introduced by: Yamashita K

Amends provisions relating to office of the legislative analyst established. Allows the committee to remove the legislative analyst from office by a 3/4 vote of its members, but only for cause. -- HB0792 HD1

Current Status: Mar=06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB0794 HD1 (HSCR 996)

RELATING TO STATE BONDS.

Introduced by: Yamashita K, Kitagawa L

Allows general obligation bonds to be issued as provided by law in an amount that may be necessary to finance projects authorized in Act \_\_\_\_, Session Laws of Hawaii 2025 (the General Appropriations Act of 2025), and Act \_\_\_\_, Session Laws of Hawaii 2025 (the Judiciary Appropriations Act of 2025); passed by the legislature during this regular session of 2025 and designated to be financed from the general obligation bond fund and from the general obligation bond fund with debt service cost to be paid from special funds; provided that the sum total of general obligation bonds so issued shall not exceed \_\_\_\_ dollars. Allows general obligation bonds to be issued from time to time in accordance with provisions relating to refunding bonds authorized in such principal amount as may be required to refund any general obligation bonds of the State of Hawaii heretofore or hereafter issued pursuant to law. -- HB0794 HD1

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HB0795 HD1 (HSCR 997)

RELATING TO THE GENERAL FUND.

Introduced by: Yamashita K

Requires there to be allowed each resident individual taxpayer who files an individual income tax return for the 2025 taxable year and who is not claimed or is not otherwise eligible to be claimed as a dependent by another taxpayer for federal or Hawaii state individual income tax purposes, a general income tax credit of \_\_\_\_ dollars, which shall be deducted from income tax liability computed under income tax law; provided that a resident individual who has no income or no income taxable under income tax law; and who is not claimed or is not otherwise eligible to be claimed as a dependent by another taxpayer for federal or Hawaii state individual income tax purposes may claim this credit. -- Appropriation into the other post-employment benefits trust fund and into the emergency and budget reserve fund. (\$\$) -- HB0795 HD1

Current Status: Mar=06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB0796 HD1 (HSCR 337)

RELATING TO TAX CREDITS.

Introduced by: Yamashita K

Establishes provisions relating to tax credits; generally. Requires any income tax credit established or renewed under this law after December 31, 2025, to include either: a 5-year sunset date; or beginning with the 6th year of the credit, an annual 1/3 reduction in the credit amount allowed to be claimed, over a 3-year period. -- HB0796 HD1

Current Status: Mar=04 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB0799 HD2 (HSCR 1048)

RELATING TO HEALTH CARE.

Introduced by: Yamashita K

Establishes provisions relating to organized ambulatory health care facilities under hospitals and medical facilities law. Prohibits a physician practicing at an organized ambulatory health care facility to be required to have hospital privileges at a licensed hospital in the same geographical location as the organized ambulatory health care facility. Prohibits a written transfer agreement to be required to transfer a patient from an organized ambulatory health care facility to a licensed hospital. Requires this provision to apply to counties with populations of less than 500,000. -- HB0799 HD2

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HB0800 HD1 (HSCR 594)

### RELATING TO GOVERNMENT.

Introduced by: Yamashita K

Provides for the transfer of certain parcels in the Liliha Civic Center area and Iwilei Fire Station area from various state agencies to the City and County of Honolulu. -- Provides for the transfer of the parcel of land on which Alii Place is sited from the City and County of Honolulu to the State. -- Amends Act 45, session laws of Hawaii 2024, relating to housing. Repeals the sunset provision. -- Requires the city and county of Honolulu to accept the properties transferred in this Act in satisfaction of all amounts owed by the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation under the Kapolei roadways, drainage, and sewer settlement. -- Amends provisions relating to definition of public lands. Exempts lands transferred to the department of land and natural resources pursuant to this Act from the definition of public lands. -- HB0800 HD1

Current Status: Mar=06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB0806 HD1 (HSCR 130)

### RELATING TO FIREWORKS.

Introduced by: Matayoshi S, Amato T, Chun C, Garrett A, Iwamoto K, Kila D, Kitagawa L, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Lee M, Lowen N, Marten L, Miyake T, Olds I, Perruso A, Pierick E, Poepoe M, Sayama J, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tam A, Tarnas D, Todd C

Appropriation to the department of law enforcement to conduct sting operations on Oahu to enforce fireworks law. (\$\$) -- HB0806 HD1

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HB0807 HD2 (HSCR 1008)

### RELATING TO CONDOMINIUMS.

Introduced by: Matayoshi S, Chun C, Kahaloa K, Kitagawa L, La Chica T, Lee M, Marten L, Olds I, Sayama J, Tam A, Tarnas D, Todd C

Establishes the financing for condominiums law. Establishes provisions relating to powers; rulemaking. Allows the Hawaii green infrastructure authority to; contract with any community development financial institution for services, including servicing or administering loans pursuant to this provision; and adopt rules pursuant to administrative procedure law to effectuate this law. -- Establishes provisions relating to condominium loan program. Establishes within the authority the condominium loan program to provide qualified condominium associations with low-cost financing, or refinancing for loans previously obtained, for maintenance or repair projects in accordance with this provision. -- Establishes provisions relating to condominium loan revolving fund. Requires moneys in the condominium loan revolving fund to be expended by the authority for the purposes of providing loans in accordance with this law and paying administrative costs of the condominium loan program. -- Establishes provisions relating to loans; limitations and conditions. Requires loans provided under this law to be for financing, or refinancing previous loans that were used for, the following maintenance or repairs in a condominium project; installing, repairing, or replacing fire sprinklers or other fire safety measures; repairing or replacing the pipes; repairing or replacing the roof; or any other maintenance or repairs the authority deems qualified for the loans. -- Establishes provisions relating to loans; eligibility; and annual reports. Report to the legislature. -- Establishes provisions relating to gifts and grants. -- Establishes provisions relating to credit enhancement through loan loss reserves. -- Establishes provisions relating to condominium loan loss reserves program. Establishes within the authority the condominium loan loss reserves program to incentivize lenders, in accordance with this provision, to provide loans at competitive rates and terms to condominium associations for the purpose of allowing condominium associations to make necessary maintenance or repairs. Requires the authority shall use moneys in the condominium loan revolving fund to make deposits into a participating financial institution's reserve account in an amount specified by this provision to be a source of moneys the participating financial institution may receive as reimbursement for losses attributable to loans in the condominium loan loss reserves program. -- Establishes provisions relating to participating community development financial institutions; reserve account; loans; limitations on state contribution to reserve account; state's rights with respect to reserve account; participating community development financial institution's annual reports; authority's annual report; audits. Report to the legislature. -- Establishes provisions relating to state liability prohibited. -- Appropriation into and out of the condominium loan revolving fund to the Hawaii green

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infrastructure authority to implement the condominium loan program. (\$\$) -- HB0807 HD2  
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HB0818 HD2 (HSCR 778)

RELATING TO THE WAIAKEA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT.  
Introduced by: Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Hashem M, Kahaloa K, Kusch M, Souza K, Takayama G, Tarnas D  
Establishes provisions relating to waiakea peninsula community development district under hawaii community development authority law. -- Establishes provisions relating to waiakea peninsula community development district; findings; purpose. Provides that the waiakea peninsula area in east hawaii is in need of renewal, renovation, or improvement to enhance the economic, cultural, and social value of the area to the state. -- Establishes provisions relating to waiakea peninsula community development district special fund. Establishes the waiakea peninsula community development district special fund within the state treasury into which all revenues, income, and receipts of the authority for the district; moneys directed, allocated, or disbursed to the district from government agencies or private individuals or organizations, including grants, gifts, awards, donations, and assessments and fees from the district improvement and maintenance program, for costs to administer and operate the district; and moneys appropriated to the fund by the legislature shall be deposited. Requires moneys in the fund to be used only for the purposes of this provision. -- Amends provisions relating to hawaii community development authority; established. -- HB0818 HD2  
Current Status: Mar=06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB0826 HD2 (HSCR 1163)

RELATING TO HOUSING.  
Introduced by: Evslin L, Holt D, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Kila D, Kusch M, Lamosao R, Miyake T, Souza K, Tarnas D  
Establishes provisions relating to agricultural workforce housing, long-term rental, or workforce fee simple housing development; county planning commissions. Allows land uses exclusively providing residential housing for purposes of agricultural workforce housing long-term rental or workforce fee simple ownership to be permitted by a county planning commission; provided that the project area is: identified on maps for only residential use in a county comprehensive general plan adopted no earlier than 2005 by the respective county council pursuant to provision relating to county zoning. Requires all applications to the county planning commission to include written concurrence from the executive director attesting to the executive director's review of the project and agreement that the proposal is solely inclusive of residential housing for purposes of agricultural workforce housing, long-term rental or workforce fee simple ownership. Requires applications to be reviewed pursuant to the process set forth in provision relating to special permit; provided that provision relating to contested cases; notice; hearing; interactive conference technology; records shall only apply at the point of county planning commission review. Allows all agencies to charge a reasonable fee for their respective application reviews and charge all costs necessary for transcription. -- HB0826 HD2  
Current Status: Mar=06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB0830 HD2 (HSCR 1038)

RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEWS.  
Introduced by: Miyake T, Amato T, Evslin L, Holt D, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Lamosao R, Lee M, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Souza K, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tarnas D, Todd C  
Amends provisions relating to review of effect of proposed state projects; provisions relating to privately owned historic property; and provisions relating to review of proposed projects under historic preservation law. Requires the department of land and natural resources to contract its review of proposed state projects, projects on privately owned historic property, and projects affecting historic properties to 3rd party consultants if the department is unable to complete its review within 60 days. Authorizes the department to assess the cost of the 3rd party consultant to the project proponent. -- HB0830 HD2  
Current Status: Mar=06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB0833 HD1 (HSCR 487)

RELATING TO COMMUNITY LAND TRUSTS.  
Introduced by: Grandinetti T, Belatti D, Hussey I, Iwamoto K, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kusch M, Marten L, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Souza K, Tam A

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Allows the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation to establish a 5-year community land trust equity pilot program to provide community land trusts with a line of credit to fund the acquisition, rehabilitation, renovation, or construction of housing that is affordable to households earning no more than 140 per cent of the county area median income. Allows the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation to establish rules pursuant to administrative procedure law, to carry out the purposes of the community land trust equity pilot program. Requires the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation to submit interim reports on the status of the community land trust equity pilot program to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular sessions of 2026, 2027, 2028, and 2029. Requires the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation to submit a final report on the community land trust equity pilot program, including any findings, recommendations, and proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2030. Requires the community land trust equity pilot program to cease to exist on June 30, 2030 (Sunset). -- Appropriation to the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation for the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation to establish the community land trust equity pilot program pursuant to this act. (Report to Legislature) (\$\$) -- HB0833 HD1

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HB0850 HD1 (HSCR 811)

### RELATING TO CONDOMINIUMS.

Introduced by: Ichiyama L

Amends provisions relating to association meetings under condominiums law. Allows the association board to authorize electronic meetings, electronic voting, and mail voting. -- Amends provisions relating to voting for elections; cumulative voting. Provides that in condominium elections, cumulative voting rights apply to all candidates regardless of whether they are nominated; and that individual votes are used in cumulative voting. -- HB0850 HD1

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HB0858 HD1 (HSCR 640)

### RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS.

Introduced by: Kusch M, Amato T, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Marten L, Matsumoto L, Miyake T, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Souza K, Tam A, Tarnas D, Todd C, Ward G

Establishes provisions relating to agricultural statistics. Establishes provisions relating to agricultural statistics program. Requires the department of agriculture to collect data, provide analysis, and report on the intra- and inter-island transportation of fresh fruit and vegetable products; develop and maintain electronic systems for capturing and analyzing data on the intra- and inter-island transportation of fresh fruit and vegetable products; and establish a structured rotation schedule for expanded, consistent, sector-specific surveys to collect comprehensive data on key agricultural activities. -- Establishes provisions relating to exemption; collaboration; partnerships. -- Appropriation to the department of agriculture for the following; \_\_\_\_ dollars for the establishment of \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) agricultural economist positions; \_\_\_\_ dollars for the establishment of \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) research statistician positions; \_\_\_\_ dollars for the establishment of secured office space, equipment, the development of electronic data collection systems, and program expenses for 6 islands; and \_\_\_\_ dollars for contracted specialty surveys to be conducted by 3rd party entities, focusing on critical agricultural data needs. (\$\$) -- HB0858 HD1

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HB0860 HD1 (HSCR 369)

### RELATING TO LIABILITY.

Introduced by: Kusch M, Amato T, Evslin L, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Holt D, Iwamoto K, Kila D, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Lee M, Lowen N, Marten L, Miyake T, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Reyes Oda J, Takayama G, Tam A, Tarnas D

Establishes provisions relating to liability of the State or a county for repair or maintenance of certain streets; immunity. Requires the State or a county that repairs or maintains a street, as defined in Statewide Traffic Code law, of which the ownership or jurisdiction is in dispute between the State and county, to be immune from liability for personal injuries or property damage, or both, arising out of the repair or maintenance of that street as undertaken by the State or county, as applicable. Prohibits repair or maintenance of a street to be deemed to confer ownership or jurisdiction over that street

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if the ownership or jurisdiction over the street is in dispute between the State and the county. -- HB0860 HD1

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HB0862 HD1 (HSCR 579)

### RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION SERVICES.

Introduced by: La Chica T, Amato T, Garcia D, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Kusch M, Lowen N, Marten L, Miyake T, Olds I, Perruso A, Pierick E, Quinlan S, Reyes Oda J, Takayama G, Tam A, Tarnas D, Todd C, Ward G, Woodson J

Amends provisions relating to licensing; and pupil transportation safety under vehicles law. Allows the department of transportation to grant exemptions for the use of motorcoaches, small buses, and vans that meet certain requirements for school bus services. -- HB0862 HD1

Current Status: Mar=04 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB0864 HD2 (HSCR 1011)

### RELATING TO EDUCATION.

Introduced by: La Chica T, Amato T, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Kila D, Marten L, Perruso A, Poepoe M

Amends provisions relating to coverage for workers' compensation. Provides that whenever a student or a new high school graduate participating in a school-approved work-based learning program sponsored by the department or a student participating in a school-approved work-based learning program sponsored by the university of Hawaii undertakes to perform work for a private or public employer as part of the student's or new high school graduate's work-based learning program, whether paid or unpaid, the state shall be deemed to be the responsible employer for the purposes of workers' compensation coverage; provided that no coverage under this provision shall be provided beyond July 31st of the student's or the new high school graduate's high school graduation year, and that coverage shall be the student's or the new high school graduate's exclusive remedy to the same extent as provided for in workers' compensation law as against the state and the private employer participating in the program. Requires the department to submit an annual report to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session that contains the following information: the number of students participating in the school-approved work-based learning program sponsored by the department or the university of Hawaii; the number of workers' compensation claims filed pursuant to this provision; and the number of students who continue to participate in the school-approved work-based learning program sponsored by the department or the university of Hawaii after high school graduation. (Report to Legislature) -- HB0864 HD2

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HB0867 HD2 (HSCR 1033)

### RELATING TO RECREATIONAL FACILITIES.

Introduced by: Amato T, Belatti D, Iwamoto K, Kapela J, Kila D, Miyake T, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Souza K

Establishes right to playgrounds accessible to all youth law. -- Establishes provisions relating to accessible recreational playground equipment installation; minimum requirements. Requires every new playground constructed on department school grounds, beginning on June 30, 2030, to include accessible recreational playground equipment as part of the playground apparatuses. -- Establishes provisions relating accessible recreational playground equipment special fund to be administered by the department, which shall consist of moneys appropriated to the fund by the legislature. Requires the moneys from the special fund to be used by the state and counties for the acquisition, installation, and maintenance of accessible recreational playground equipment. Requires all unobligated, unencumbered, or unexpended funds remaining in the fund in excess of \_\_\_\_ at the close of each fiscal year to lapse to the general fund. -- Appropriation into and out of accessible recreational playground equipment special fund to the department of land and natural resources to purchase and install accessible recreational playground equipment in state parks. -- Appropriation into and out of the accessible recreational playground equipment special fund to the department of education for the purchase and installation of accessible recreational playground equipment on department school grounds. (\$\$) -- HB0867 HD2

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HB0871 HD1 (HSCR 285)

### RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION ACT.

Introduced by: Poepoe M, Amato T, Belatti D, Grandinetti T, Holt D, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Kila D, Marten L, Perruso A, Souza K, Tarnas D

Amends Act 130, session laws of Hawaii 2024, relating to the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act. Requires this Act to take effect on the earlier of the date of the Secretary of the Interior's notification letter to the Congressional Committee Chairpersons that this Act meets none of the criteria in title 43 Code of Federal Regulations section 48.20, or on the date that the United States Congress approval becomes law; provided further that the amendments made to section 215, Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920, as amended, by this Act shall not be repealed when Act 107, Session Laws of Hawaii 2000, or Act 85, Session Laws of Hawaii 2008, take effect with the consent of the United States Congress. -- HB0871 HD1

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HB0874 HD3 (HSCR 1047)

### RELATING TO CHILD PERFORMERS.

Introduced by: Lee M, Grandinetti T, Kapela J, Kila D, Lowen N, Marten L, Perruso A, Souza K, Tarnas D, Todd C

Establishes provisions relating to minors in theatrical employment; mandatory trust account; fiduciary duty. Provides that the parent or legal guardian of a minor in theatrical employment shall establish a trust account for the benefit of the minor prior to the minor's 1st instance of theatrical employment and shall maintain the account until the custodian of the account transfers the contents of the account to the minor or the minor's estate. Requires the employer of the minor in theatrical employment to deposit at least 15 per cent of the minor's gross earnings to the trust account for the minor's benefit until the minor attains majority or is emancipated. Requires the trust account to be established with an independent 3rd party trustee that ensures the security and growth of the trust account and that provides the minor and the minor's parent or legal guardian with quarterly statements. Requires any contracts or agreements involving a minor in theatrical employment to be signed by at least 1 parent or legal guardian. Allows a parent or legal guardian of a minor in theatrical employment to access the funds within the mandatory trust account established pursuant to this provision, for the minor, but only for the benefit of the minor. Requires any misappropriation or fraudulent use of funds within the mandatory trust account established pursuant to this provision by the parent or legal guardian of a minor in theatrical employment, or the independent 3rd party trustee acting as the custodian of the mandatory trust account, to be a breach of fiduciary duty subject to civil penalties, criminal prosecution, and, in the case of the 3rd party trustee, removal from the position of trustee. Requires this provision to only apply when the gross income of the minor in theatrical employment is at least: 5,000 dollars for a project; or 20,000 dollars in a calendar year. Defines employer to include any individual, partnership, association, joint stock company, trust, corporation, the personal representative of the estate of a deceased individual or the receiver, trustee, or successor of any of the same, employing any person, but shall not include the state or any political subdivision thereof or the United States. Defines theatrical employment to mean gainful occupation as a model, dancer, singer, musician, social media influencer, entertainer or motion picture, television, radio or theatrical performer. -- HB0874 HD3

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HB0879 HD1 (HSCR 104)

### RELATING TO CESSPOOL CONVERSIONS.

Introduced by: Kitagawa L, Belatti D, Grandinetti T, Holt D, Iwamoto K, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kusch M, Lowen N, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Reyes Oda J, Souza K, Takenouchi J, Ward G

Amends Act 153, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022, relating to cesspools. Amends the maximum grant amount to \_\_\_\_ dollars for the cesspool compliance pilot grant project. Requires the department of health to submit to the legislature a report on the pilot grant project, including any findings and recommendations, and any proposed legislation, no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026. -- Appropriation to the department of health to fund the cesspool compliance pilot grant project. (\$\$) -- HB0879 HD1

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HB0880 HD3 (HSCR 1021)

### RELATING TO EARLY CHILD INTERVENTION.

Introduced by: Kitagawa L, Amato T, Chun C, Kapela J, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kusch

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M, Lamosao R, Lee M, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Reyes Oda J, Takenouchi J  
Appropriation to the department of health for the reclassification of certain positions within the early childhood services unit of the department of health early intervention provision (\$\$). -- Appropriation to the department of health for the establishment of \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) permanent mental health specialist positions within the early childhood services unit of the department of health early intervention provision (\$\$). -- HB0880 HD3

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HB0892 HD1 (HSCR 817)

### RELATING TO GEOGRAPHICAL RESTRICTIONS.

Introduced by: Tarnas D

Establishes provisions relating to geographical restrictions; limitations. Requires, except as otherwise provided by law, any geographical restriction provided as a condition of probation to: be limited to an area that is no larger than 0.5 acres; be narrowly tailored to the defendant's criminal conviction; and not be imposed upon areas of land or access to sea, the right to which is protected by law. -- HB0892 HD1

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HB0893 HD1 (HSCR 828)

### RELATING TO FIREARMS.

Introduced by: Tarnas D, Amato T, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kusch M, Lee M, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Perruso A, Tam A

Amends provisions relating to definitions under firearms, ammunition and dangerous weapons law; transfer, possession of firearms; ownership, etc., of automatic firearms, silencers, etc., prohibited; penalties; restriction of materials for manufacture of pistols or revolvers. Establishes prohibitions on assault rifles, assault shotguns, and .50 caliber rifles. Expands the ban on high-capacity detachable magazines. -- HB0893 HD1

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HB0900 HD2 (HSCR 623)

### RELATING TO CHILD WELFARE SERVICES.

Introduced by: Marten L, Amato T, Belatti D, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Kila D, Lamosao R, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Olds I, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Souza K, Takayama G, Tam A

Establishes within the judiciary for administrative purposes a working group for legal services for youth in the child welfare system. Requires the working group to: review and consider pathways for implementation of recommendations of the malama ohana working group, established pursuant to Act 86, Session Laws of Hawaii 2023, as they relate to the court process, including counsel for youth; and examine practices in other jurisdictions that provide different forms of legal services for foster youth and have 1 or more members conduct at least 1 site visit to selected jurisdictions in 1 or more states to identify possible practices to implement in the state. Requires the working group to be comprised of the following members: 1 district family court judge of the 1st circuit and 1 district family court judge from any other circuit, who shall serve as co-chairs and invite the additional members to participate in the working group; a supreme court justice or the justice's designee; members of the judiciary who served or currently serve on the child welfare court calendar; a representative from the family law division of the department of the attorney general; a representative from the department of human services child welfare services branch; a representative who serves as a guardian ad litem in child welfare cases; a representative from the William S. Richardson school of law at the university of Hawaii at Manoa; 2 representatives of the malama ohana working group, who shall be designated by the co-chairs of the malama ohana working group; a representative from the HI H.O.P.E.S. Youth Leadership Boards of the HI H.O.P.E.S. Initiative under EPIC 'Ohana, Inc.; 3 or more experts with lived expertise in navigating the state child welfare system while minors; and a parent with lived experience in the state child welfare system. Requires the working group to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2027. Requires the report to include plans for a pilot program to test a model for delivering counsel services to youth of a selected age range in a selected jurisdiction within the state. Requires the working group to cease to exist on June 30, 2026 (sunset). -- Appropriation to the judiciary for the working group established pursuant to this act, including for the members of the working group to make site visits and to assist with the report drafting. (\$\$) -- HB0900 HD2

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HB0901 HD2 (HSCR 1073)

### RELATING TO PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS.

Introduced by: Woodson J (BR)

Amends provisions relating to appeals; charter applications, renewals, or revocations. Allows the board to decide appeals of decisions by an authorizer to deny the approval of a charter application, deny renewal of a charter contract, or revoke a charter school's charter contract. Allows grounds for an appeal of non-renewal of a charter contract or revocation of a charter contract to include the authorizer's allegation of procedural errors, statutory violations, or lack of compliance with contractual obligations by the charter school. Allows the board to decide appeals of an adverse decision by an authorizer regarding a charter school's operation, governance, or funding; provided that matters regarding negative performance reviews are not subject to appeal to the board. Requires an appeal of an adverse decision under this provision to be filed with the board within 21 calendar days of the receipt of the notification of the adverse decision. Allows only a charter school that is subject to the adverse decision to initiate an appeal under this provision for cause. Requires the board to review an appeal of an adverse decision and issue a final decision within 60 calendar days of the filing of the appeal. -- HB0901 HD2

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HB0904 HD1 (HSCR 562)

### RELATING TO CHARTER SCHOOLS.

Introduced by: Woodson J, Amato T, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Kusch M, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Olds I, Souza K, Todd C

Repeals provisions relating to annual board report under the Public Charter Schools law.

-- HB0904 HD1

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HB0918 HD2 (HSCR 1058)

### RELATING TO LABELING.

Introduced by: Holt D, Kahaloa K, La Chica T, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Olds I, Poepoe M, Todd C

Establishes provisions relating to labeling of non-flushable products under department of health law. -- Establishes provisions relating to labeling requirement for certain premoistened nonwoven disposable wipes. -- HB0918 HD2

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HB0925 HD3 (HSCR 1006)

### RELATING TO THE ARTS.

Introduced by: Kapela J

Establishes provisions relating to performing arts special fund. Establishes in the state treasury the performing arts special fund, into which shall be deposited: all appropriations made by the legislature; revenues charged by the foundation and surcharges, grants, gifts, donations, and contributions from private or public sources for the purposes of the special fund; all amounts to be transferred to the special fund pursuant to this provision; and all interest earned on moneys deposited in the special fund. Requires moneys in the performing arts special fund to be expended by the foundation for the coordination, planning, promotion, marketing, and execution of performing arts events. Requires each state agency to calculate an amount equal to \_\_\_\_ per cent of all ticket sales from concerts held at state venues under its ownership and management and transfer that amount into the performing arts special fund account. Requires the comptroller to track amounts due from each agency as provided in this provision. Defines concert to mean a live, staged musical performance, comedy act, or other specialty act or performance featuring any number of performers that occurs in front of an audience. Defines performing arts to include arts or skills that are intended to be performed for an audience, including but not limited to dance, singing, musical performances, and theater. Defines state venue to mean a building, facility, or other improvement owned and managed by a state agency. -- HB0925 HD3

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HB0934 HD1 (HSCR 329)

### RELATING TO THE HAWAII BROADBAND AND DIGITAL EQUITY OFFICE.

Introduced by: Ilagan G, Amato T, Grandinetti T, Hashem M, Holt D, Hussey I, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Kusch M, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Marten L, Miyake T, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Souza K, Takenouchi J, Tarnas

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D, Todd C

Establishes provisions relating to Hawaii broadband and digital equity office. Establishes provisions relating to Hawaii broadband and digital equity office; establishment; strategic broadband coordinator; staff. Establishes the Hawaii broadband and digital equity office within the office of enterprise technology services. -- Establishes provisions relating to Hawaii broadband and digital equity office; duties. Provides that in furtherance of the State's objectives and policies for the economy pursuant to provisions relating to objectives and policies for the economy--information industry, the Hawaii broadband and digital equity office shall; develop and implement specific strategies and plans to aggressively increase broadband affordability, penetration, and competitive availability in the State; support the efforts of both public and private entities in the State to enhance or facilitate the deployment of and access to competitively priced, advanced electronic communications services, including broadband and its products and services and internet access services of general application throughout the State; promote the landing of trans-Pacific submarine cable, including the development of a shared access cable station and associated terrestrial connectivity to reduce barriers to fiber landing in Hawaii; promote, advocate, and facilitate the implementation of the findings and recommendations of the Hawaii broadband task force established by Act 2, 1st Special Session Laws of Hawaii 2007, and the 2020 Hawaii Broadband Strategic Plan; support the findings of community-based groups as reflected in its digital equity declaration; administer grant programs in support of broadband infrastructure, innovation, and the digital economy; actively seek out funding from public and private sources in furtherance of the office's duties pursuant to this provision; and provide a repository, aggregation point, and governance framework for broadband mapping and digital equity data from various sources, including digital literacy, telehealth, distance education, remote work, internet accessibility, and service coverage to support mapping, reporting, infrastructure deployment, and data-driven policy. -- Establishes provisions relating to broadband planning and coordination; cooperation; broadband and digital equity special fund. Requires moneys in the broadband and digital equity special fund to be used for supporting broadband projects, excluding the deployment of broadband infrastructure for the provision of retail service; defraying the cost of internet services; and funding positions for personnel to provide technical assistance to the community. -- Repeals the Hawaii broadband and digital equity office law. -- Appropriation into and out of the broadband and digital equity special fund to the Hawaii broadband and digital equity office for the purposes of the fund. -- Transfers all rights, powers, functions, and duties of the department of business, economic development, and tourism relating to the Hawaii broadband and digital equity office to the department of accounting and general services. (\$\$) -- HB0934 HD1

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HB0939 HD1 (HSCR 421)

RELATING TO ALCOHOL.

Introduced by: Todd C, Quinlan S

Establishes provisions relating to definitions under liquor tax law. Defines low alcohol by volume spirits beverage to mean any alcoholic beverage containing no more than 5 percent alcohol by volume. -- Amends provisions relating to tax; limitations. Requires the tax rate for low alcohol by volume spirits, beginning July 1, 2025, to be 93 cents per wine gallon. -- Requires this Act to be repealed on December 31, 2028 (sunset). -- HB0939 HD1

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HB0943 HD1 (HSCR 650)

RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS.

Introduced by: Olds I, Amato T, Belatti D, Evslin L, Holt D, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Kusch M, Lee M, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Reyes Oda J, Souza K, Takayama G, Tarnas D, Ward G

Establishes provisions relating to alcohol and drug abuse division; homeless triage and treatment center program; establishment. Requires the department to establish a homeless triage and treatment center program within the alcohol and drug abuse division that focuses on serving homeless individuals and individuals at risk of homelessness with substance abuse issues or mental illness. Requires the alcohol and drug abuse division to work in cooperation with local hospitals, rehabilitation facilities, law enforcement agencies, and homeless service providers in establishing the homeless triage and treatment center program. Allows the alcohol and drug abuse division to contract with facilities that provide comprehensive triage services to homeless individuals suffering

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from substance abuse issues or mental illness to carry out the homeless triage and treatment center program. -- Appropriation to the department of health to implement the homeless triage and treatment center program pursuant to 2nd provision of this act. (\$\$)

-- HB0943 HD1

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HB0951 HD2 (HSCR 1042)

RELATING TO PRESCRIPTION DRUGS.

Introduced by: Takayama G, Chun C, Garrett A, Holt D, Kila D, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Perruso A, Pierick E, Takenouchi J, Tam A, Todd C

Amends provisions relating to practice of telehealth under the Medicine and Surgery law. Requires, for the purposes of prescribing opiates or certifying a patient for the medical use of cannabis, a physician-patient relationship to only be established after an in-person consultation between the prescribing physician and the patient; provided that a patient who has been seen in person by a health care provider in the same medical group as the prescribing physician may be prescribed an opiate prescription for a 3-day supply or less via telehealth. -- HB0951 HD2

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HB0952 HD1 (HSCR 577)

RELATING TO PARKINSON'S DISEASE RESEARCH.

Introduced by: Takayama G, Amato T, Chun C, Garcia D, Garrett A, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Lamosao R, Lee M, Marten L, Matsumoto L, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Olds I, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Souza K, Tarnas D, Todd C

Establishes provisions relating to parkinson's disease research. -- Establishes provisions relating to parkinson's disease research collection database. Establishes the Parkinson's disease research collection database to be administered by the department of health. Requires the Parkinson's database to house a collection of data on the incidence of Parkinson's disease in the State and other epidemiological data as defined in this provision. Requires the Parkinson's database, system of collection, and dissemination of information to be under the direction of the director. -- Establishes provisions relating to parkinson's disease research collection database advisory committee. Requires the advisory committee to assist in the development and implementation of the parkinson's disease research collection database; determine the types of data that to be collected; and advise the department of health. -- Establishes provisions relating to confidentiality of information. Provides that this provision shall not prohibit the department from publishing reports and statistical compilations that do not identify individual cases or sources of information. -- Establishes provisions relating to database webpage; annual reports. Requires the department to create and maintain a Hawaii parkinson's disease research collection database webpage, where the public may obtain information related to the registry established, a yearly program summary, and any other relevant or helpful information related to the registry as deemed necessary by the Parkinson's disease research collection database advisory council. Annual report to the legislature. -- HB0952 HD1

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HB0957 HD1 (HSCR 366)

RELATING TO LAULAU DAY.

Introduced by: Kila D, Lee M, Marten L

Establishes provisions relating to Laulau Day under the Holidays and Periods of Recognition and Observance law. Requires the 1st Friday of in May of each year to be known and designated as Laulau Day. Provides that this day is not and shall not be construed to be a state holiday. -- HB0957 HD1

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HB0958 HD2 (HSCR 698)

RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

Introduced by: Kila D, Chun C, Garrett A, Holt D, Lamosao R, Lee M, Lowen N, Marten L

Establishes provisions relating to safe riding behavior; electric bicycles; operating a high-speed electric device under statewide traffic code law. Requires all electric bicycles to be operated with all wheels on the ground at all times with certain exceptions. Prohibits certain actions while operating an electric bicycle; and the operation of high-speed electric devices in certain locations. -- Establishes provisions relating to electric bicycles; labeling; and electric bicycle regulations; signage; public information.

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Requires manufacturers and distributors to apply a label to electric bicycles; and to place a sign at or near the point of sale regarding electric bicycles. -- Establishes provisions relating to definitions under county vehicular taxes law; and statewide traffic code law. Repeals provisions of low-speed electric bicycle. Defines electric bicycle; electric micro mobility device. -- Amends provisions relating to driving or parking upon bikeway; parking penalty; and electric foot scooters to include electric micro mobility devices. -- Amend provisions relating to low speed electric bicycles operator age by changing its title to electric bicycle; operator age. Prohibits a person under the age of 16 from operating a class 3 electric bicycle. -- Amends provisions relating to bicycle helmets to prohibit a person under the age of 18 from operating a bicycle or electric foot scooter without a helmet. -- Amends provisions relating to driving mopeds on bicycle lanes and paths by changing its title to restrictions for bicycle lanes and paths. -- Amends provisions relating to definitions under highway safety. Repeals the definition of bicycle; and substitutes the word motor drive cycle with motor scooter. -- HB0958 HD2

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HB0960 HD1 (HSCR 375)

### RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

Introduced by: Kila D, Evslin L, Garrett A

Amends provisions relating to private financing of harbor improvements. Allows the department of transportation to execute capital advancement contracts pursuant to this provision with a total contract value of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars or less without legislative approval. Prohibits the total aggregate value of all capital advancement contracts entered into by the department pursuant to this provision to exceed \_\_\_\_\_ dollars in any fiscal year. Requires the department to submit a report to the legislature of all executed capital advancement contracts for the previous 12-month period from July 1 to June 30 no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session. (Report to Legislature) -- HB0960 HD1

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HB0961 HD1 (HSCR 462)

### RELATING TO EDUCATION.

Introduced by: Takenouchi J, Chun C, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Lamosao R, Lee M, Lowen N, Marten L, Miyake T, Poepoe M, Tam A, Todd C

Establishes within the department of education a 2-year pilot program for \_\_\_\_ certified librarians to provide rotating support services to 1 school complex on Oahu and 1 school complex on a neighbor island. Requires the department of education to determine which school complexes shall be part of the pilot program. -- Requires the department of education to submit a report to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular sessions of 2026 and 2027 (report to the legislature). Requires the pilot program to cease to exist on June 30, 2027 (sunset). -- Appropriation to the department of education for the establishment of \_\_\_\_ 12-month state office-level teacher positions under the department of education for the pilot program established pursuant to this provision; provided that the funds appropriated shall be allocated as follows: \$\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_ 12-month state office-level teacher position, to be filled by a certified librarian, for a school complex on Oahu; and \$\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_ 12-month state office-level teacher position, to be filled by a certified librarian, for a school complex on a neighbor island (\$\$). -- HB0961 HD1

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HB0962 HD1 (HSCR 463)

### RELATING TO EDUCATION.

Introduced by: Takenouchi J, Chun C, Evslin L, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Kila D, Kitagawa L, La Chica T, Lowen N, Marten L, Miyake T, Poepoe M, Todd C

Requires the department of education to establish and administer a 2-year school librarian pilot program to provide financial support to department of education schools for the hiring of qualified librarians. -- Requires the department of education to submit an interim report on the status of the school librarian pilot program to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026 (report to the legislature). Requires the department of education to submit a final report on the school librarian pilot program, including any findings, recommendations, and proposed legislation, to the legislature no later 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2027 (report to the legislature). Requires the school librarian pilot program to cease to exist on June 30, 2027 (sunset). -- Appropriation to the department of education for the establishment and administration of the school librarian pilot program (\$\$). -- HB0962

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HB0963 HD2 (HSCR 1053)

RELATING TO CRIMES AGAINST ELDERS.

Introduced by: Takenouchi J, Chun C, Evslin L, Garrett A, Holt D, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Lamosao R, Lee M, Lowen N, Marten L, Miyake T, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Takayama G, Tam A, Todd C

Amends provisions relating to assault in the 1st degree; and assault in the 2nd degree under offenses against the person law; unauthorized entry in a dwelling in the 1st degree; theft in the 1st degree; theft in the 2nd degree; forgery in the 1st degree; and forgery in the 2nd degree under offenses against property rights law. Provides that the state of mind requirement for provisions relating to this offense is not applicable to the fact that victim was 60 years of age or older. -- HB0963 HD2

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HB0966 HD2 (HSCR 1074)

RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL TOURISM.

Introduced by: Kahaloa K, Amato T, Chun C, Evslin L, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Holt D, Iwamoto K, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, Kusch M, Lee M, Lowen N, Marten L, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Perruso A, Quinlan S, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tam A, Tarnas D, Todd C

Establishes provisions relating to agricultural tourism activities. Allows agricultural tourism activities to be conducted on a farming operation for the enjoyment, education, or involvement of visitors. Requires agricultural tourism activities to be accessory and secondary to the principal agricultural use; coexist with an agricultural activity conducted on a farming operation; and not interfere with surrounding farm operations. Requires agricultural tourism to only be allowed on land on which productive agricultural use is occurring. Requires agricultural tourism activities to be registered by the owner or lessee with the county planning commission department before commencement of any agricultural tourism activity. Requires the authorization to conduct agricultural tourism activities at the farming operation to be automatically terminated upon the cessation of the agricultural activity conducted on the farming operation, unless the cessation of the agricultural activity is temporary and due to inclement weather, disease or pest infestation, market and supply chain disruptions, or change in crop type. -- Amends provisions relating to districting and classification of lands; permissible uses within the agricultural districts; zoning; energy feedstock program; Hawaii healthy food incentive program; rules; definitions under Hawaii right to farm act law; and districting and classification of lands -- HB0966 HD2

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HB0969 HD2 (HSCR 1096)

RELATING TO WASTE OR DISPOSAL FACILITIES.

Introduced by: Quinlan S, Amato T, Belatti D, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Holt D, Kapela J, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kusch M, Lowen N, Olds I, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Tam A, Todd C

Amends provisions relating to prohibitions; buffer zones. Requires no person, including the state or any county, to construct, modify, or expand a waste or disposal facility, including a municipal solid waste landfill unit, any component of a municipal solid waste landfill unit, a construction and demolition landfill unit, or any component of a construction and demolition landfill unit, on land that is above a significant aquifer as determined by the department. Defines waste or disposal facility to exclude individual, state-certified, non-industrial redemption centers. -- HB0969 HD2

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HB0974 HD1 (HSCR 769)

RELATING TO ENERGY.

Introduced by: Lowen N

Establishes provisions relating to step-in agreements covering power purchase costs. Establishes provisions relating to step-in agreements. Requires the department to enter into a step-in agreement with an obligee that requires the department to make payments for power purchase costs owed by an electric utility to the obligee in the event of a default. -- Establishes provisions relating to default of electric utility; successor requirements. Provides that if the obligee provides notice to the department of a default of a covered power purchase agreement, the department shall provide the electric utility

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notice of the default. -- Establishes provisions relating to power purchase costs trust fund. Establishes outside the state treasury the power purchase costs trust fund to be administered by the department. Requires the electric utility to deposit into the fund all revenues collected in connection with power purchase charges in the event of a default of covered power purchase agreements; and reserve fees. Requires the moneys in the fund to be held by the department in trust for the benefit of obligees of covered power purchase agreements to the extent of the amounts owed to such obligees. -- Establishes provisions relating to reserve account; establishment. Provides that by August 1, 2025, the public utilities commission shall authorize surcharges proposed by an electric utility, referred to as reserve fees. Allows reserve fees to be included in the purchased power adjustment clause on customer bills. Requires the department to establish and maintain a separate account to accept and account for revenues from reserve fees as part of the fund established under this provision, and the electric utility shall promptly deposit all revenues collected from reserve fees into the account. Requires the utility to not otherwise assign, sell, or transfer any title to, or any claim or right to, the revenues from reserve fees, except as provided under this provision. -- Establishes provisions relating to electric utility; agent of the department. Allows the department to contract with an electric utility or its successor to act as an agent of the department to provide billing, collection, payment, management, and other related services. Allows the director of finance to appoint, authorize, and empower the electric utility, as agent for and on behalf of the department, to manage and pay out moneys, including from the fund, for fulfillment of payment obligations of the department arising from covered power purchase agreements. -- HB0974 HD1

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HB0977 HD1 (HSCR 349)

### RELATING TO ENERGY FINANCING.

Introduced by: Lowen N, Evslin L, Grandinetti T, Hussey I, Kahaloa K, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, Kitagawa L, La Chica T, Marten L, Miyake T, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Tam A, Tarnas D, Todd C

Establishes provisions relating to definitions under the Energy Resources law. Defines underserved ratepayer to mean state and local governments, low- and moderate-income homeowners, renters, nonprofits, small businesses as defined by the United States Small Business Administration, and multi-family rental projects. -- Amends provisions relating to clean energy and energy efficiency revolving loan fund. Requires moneys in the clean energy and energy efficiency revolving loan fund to be used to provide low-cost loans at below-market rates or other authorized financial assistance to underserved ratepayers, eligible public, private, and nonprofit borrowers for clean energy investments or other authorized uses, or both, on terms approved by the authority. -- Appropriation into and out of the clean energy and energy efficiency revolving loan fund to the Hawaii green infrastructure authority to provide loans or other financial assistance to eligible borrowers for clean energy investments or other authorized uses; provided that the appropriation shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal year for which the appropriation is made (\$\$). -- HB0977 HD1

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HB0979 HD1 (HSCR 418)

### RELATED TO SUMMARY POSSESSION.

Introduced by: Matayoshi S, Kusch M, Lee M, Marten L, Tam A

Establishes provisions relating to summary possession proceedings; tax clearance. Requires the person or entity seeking possession of the premises for failure to pay rent to include in the complaint filed with the court the current general excise tax license number used for rental income earned from the premises; provided that if the complaint does not include the information required by this subsection, then the complaint shall be dismissed. Requires the judiciary to submit an annual list of all summary possession cases filed with the courts to the department of taxation. Requires the list to include the following information: the case number; the name of the person or entity seeking possession of the property; the general excise tax license number provided, if any; and the date the complaint was filed. -- HB0979 HD1

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HB0980 HD1 (HSCR 825)

### RELATING TO ANIMALS.

Introduced by: Matayoshi S, Belatti D, Chun C, Holt D, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Kusch M, Lee M, Lowen N, Sayama J, Takenouchi J, Tarnas D

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Amends provisions relating to mongoose; feral chickens; killing allowed. Requires no person to be prohibited from killing: a mongoose in any manner not prohibited by law, including by trapping; or a feral chicken on private land with the express written permission of the landowner in any manner not prohibited by law, including methods that adhere to standard veterinary guidelines for euthanasia of chickens and are consistent with the American Veterinary Medical Association Guidelines for Euthanasia of Animals. Requires nothing in this provision to be construed to: permit animal fighting or cockfighting; permit the use of torture, starvation, immolation, or beating; or create a right of entry on private land without consent from the owner of the private land. Defines feral chickens as a subset of wild birds as defined in provision under wildlife law. -- Amends provisions relating to taking, injuring, or destroying wild birds prohibited. Requires except as provided in provision relating to permits to take wild birds, game birds, and game mammals, no person to intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly take, catch, injure, kill, or destroy, or attempt to take, catch, injure, kill, or destroy, any wild bird, or to keep or have possession of any wild bird, dead or alive, or to damage or destroy a nest of any wild bird; provided that this provision shall not apply to acts performed in accordance with provision relating to mongoose; killing allowed. -- Amends provisions relating to cruelty to animals in the 2nd degree. Provides that a person commits the offense of cruelty to animals in the 2nd degree if the person intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly: mutilates, poisons, or kills without need any animal other than insects, vermin, or other pests; provided that the handling or extermination of any insect, vermin, or other pest is conducted in accordance with standard and acceptable pest control practices and all applicable laws and regulations; provided further that this provision shall not apply to acts performed in accordance with provision relating to mongoose; killing allowed. -- HB0980 HD1  
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HB0982 HD3 (HSCR 1015)

### RELATING TO WILDFIRES.

Introduced by: Matayoshi S, Chun C, Hashem M, Kila D, Tarnas D  
Establishes the wildfire recovery fund law. Establishes provisions relating to wildfire recovery fund; establishment; executive director. Establishes outside the state treasury a trust fund to be known as the wildfire recovery fund and any accounts thereunder to carry out the purposes of this law. Requires all moneys in the wildfire recovery fund to be expended exclusively for the uses and purposes set forth in this law. Prohibits the wildfire recovery fund shall not be subject to the insurance code. Requires the moneys in the wildfire recovery fund not required for immediate use to be invested by the executive director for the benefit of the wildfire recovery fund; provided that no assets of the wildfire recovery fund shall be transferred to the general fund of the State or to any other fund of the State or otherwise encumbered or used for any purpose other than those specified for the wildfire recovery fund. Requires the wildfire recovery fund to be placed within the department of commerce and consumer affairs for administrative purposes. -- Establishes provisions relating to wildfire recovery fund; eligibility for participation as a contributor; contributions; determination of a covered catastrophic wildfire; replenishment of the wildfire recovery fund; claims for payment by qualified claimants; presentment requirement; claims for payment by contributors; limitation on aggregate liability; limitations on claims; several liability; reporting; refunds authorized by the legislature. Report to the legislature. -- Establishes provisions relating to inadmissible evidence. -- Establishes the securitization law. -- Establishes provisions relating to applications to issue bonds and authorize wildfire recovery charges; wildfire recovery financing order; bonds; issuance; wildfire recovery property interests; wildfire recovery charge; security interests in wildfire recovery property; financing statements; transfers of wildfire recovery property; financing entity successor requirements; default of financing entity; severability. -- Amends provisions relating to issuance of securities. -- HB0982 HD3

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HB0983 HD1 (HSCR 808)

### RELATING TO CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS.

Introduced by: Matayoshi S, Chun C

Amends provisions relating to license of certified public accountant. Requires a license and a permit to be required to practice public accountancy. Allows the board to license and grant the designation of certified public accountant to any person who has met the following: completed 2 years of professional experience meeting the requirements of this provision. Requires the educational requirement for a license to include a baccalaureate degree conferred by a college or university recognized by the board, which shall include

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at least 18 semester hours of upper division or graduate level accounting or auditing subjects. Requires the content of these 18 hours to be determined by rules adopted by the board pursuant to administrative procedure law. Requires the educational requirement for a license to also include either: completion of no less than 30 semester hours of study in addition to those semester hours required for a baccalaureate; provided that the content of the additional qualifying hours of study shall be determined by rules adopted by the board pursuant to administrative procedure law; or completion of an additional 12 months of professional experience in the practice of public accountancy only. Requires this professional experience to be in addition to, and shall not be counted in, any professional experience meeting the requirements of this provision. Requires each applicant to present satisfactory evidence in the form of a certified statement, from present or former employer(s), that the applicant has completed the required professional experience in the practice of public accountancy as defined in provision under public accountancy law. Allows completion of experience in private or government accounting or auditing work, deemed by the board to be equivalent to professional experience in the practice of public accountancy [practice] as defined under public accountancy law, to be substituted for all or part of the 2 years of professional experience in the practice of public accountancy required by this provision. Requires the nature, variety, and depth of acceptable private or government accounting or auditing experience to be defined by the board in its rules. -- HB0983 HD1

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HB0984 HD2 (HSCR 1108)

RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LOANS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to definitions under agricultural and water infrastructure loans law; restriction. Requires loans authorized by this law to require 1 credit denial. -- Amends provisions relating to direct loans. Requires the interest rate on loans of class A, B, C, E, G, and J to be at a rate of 4 per cent a year. -- Amends provisions relating to classes of loans; purposes, terms, eligibility by changing its title to classes of loans; purposes; terms; eligibility. Increases and standardizes loan limits. Includes food hubs as an eligible entity for Class E loans. Creates a new class of loans to encourage large scale agriculture of import replacement crops grown for the farm to state program. -- Appropriation into and out of the agricultural loan revolving special fund to the department of agriculture for funding agricultural loans. (\$\$) -- HB0984 HD2

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HB0987 HD1 (HSCR 468)

RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to State procurement automation system special fund; transaction fee. Establishes in the state treasury the state procurement automation system special fund to be administered by the state procurement office. Requires the state procurement automation special fund to be expended by the state procurement administrator for the purposes of the administration, management, operation, maintenance, and upgrade of the procurement automation system. -- Amends provisions relating to chief procurement officers. Requires the chief procurement officer for each of the following state entities to be: the university of Hawaii - the chief financial officer of the university of Hawaii; the school facilities authority--the executive director of the school facilities authority. -- HB0987 HD1

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HB0988 HD1 (HSCR 991)

RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to competitive sealed proposals under hawaii public procurement code law. Prohibits a procurement officer to disclose any competing offeror's proposal or evaluation scores, except the summary of scores, during a debriefing with a non-selected offeror. Allows for the disclosure of a competing offeror's proposals after any protest is resolved and the contract is executed. -- HB0988 HD1

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HB0989 HD1 (HSCR 533)

RELATING TO PLANS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)



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Amends provisions relating to filing of; data on plans; monuments; metes and bounds descriptions. Requires the department of accounting and general services to charge a fee pursuant to rules adopted by the department of accounting and general services, and shall require the owner of the land to deposit the cost thereof before approving the survey plan. -- Amends provisions relating to description; lot subdivisions. Requires any printed or typewritten description filed separately with the file plan to be recorded in the registry system and the book and page or document number thereof noted on the file plan. Requires only contiguous parcels to be shown on the same plan unless the department of accounting and general services determines that an exception would be appropriate. -- Amends provisions relating to plans on tracing cloth; size; scale by changing its title to plans on tangible medium; size; scale. Requires all plans to be on a tangible medium of good quality, approved by the department of accounting and general services, and shall be of 1 of the following sizes, the figures indicating inches: 10 x 15; 15 x 21; 21 x 32; 30 x 36; 36 x 42; or 36 wide without restriction as to length; which plans shall be prepared and drawn according to 1 of the following scales: 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 100, 200, 300, 400, 500, 600, 1000, 2000, 3000, 4000, 5000, or 6000 feet to an inch. -- Amends provisions relating to new maps for old. Requires the registrar to forward any such map or plan to the department of accounting and general services, at such times when the original tracings of filed plans and land court maps on file in the bureau of conveyances are found to be in such condition that satisfactory blueprint copies thereof cannot be made, with the request that another copy of good quality thereof be made. Requires the department on receipt of the request and map or plan, to prepare another copy thereof, on a tangible medium of good quality, and shall certify that same is a true copy of the original on file in the bureau of conveyances, and shall file the same with the registrar. Requires any such certified copy of a map or plan to thereafter be regarded for all purposes as the original. -- HB0989 HD1

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HB0990 HD2 (HSCR 1146)

MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE, ITS OFFICERS, OR ITS EMPLOYEES.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Appropriation to the department of the attorney general for the purpose of satisfying claims for legislative relief to persons, firms, corporations, and entities, for claims against the state or its officers or employees, for the overpayment of taxes, or for refunds, reimbursements, payments of judgments or settlements, or other liabilities. -- Appropriation out of the state highway fund to the department of transportation, highways division for the purpose of satisfying claims for legislative relief to persons, for claims against the state or its officers or employees for payments of judgments or settlements, or other liabilities. -- Appropriation to the judiciary for the purpose of satisfying claims for legislative relief to persons, for claims against the state or its officers or employees for payments of judgments or settlements, or other liabilities. Provides that the departments shall obtain the approval of the attorney general before payment of any claim can be made. (expenditure ceiling) (\$\$) -- HB0990 HD2

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HB0991 HD1 (HSCR 812)

RELATING TO CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to criminal history record checks and provisions under attorney general law and hawaii criminal justice data center law. Repeals provisions of the term agent of the contractor to comply with requirements of the federal bureau of investigation (FBI). -- HB0991 HD1

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HB0994 HD1 (HSCR 813)

RELATING TO THE OFFENSE OF PROMOTING PORNOGRAPHY FOR MINORS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to felonies for which criminal charges may be instituted by written information. Allows criminal charges to be instituted by written information for a felony when the charge is a class C felony. Authorizes the offense of promoting pornography for Minors to be instituted by written information. -- HB0994 HD1

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### RELATING TO FIREARMS REPORTING.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to annual report on licenses to carry. Requires the department of the attorney general to publish an annual report on its publicly available website. Requires no later than March 31 of each year, the chief of police of each county to provide to the department of the attorney general the data for the prior calendar year that the department requires to complete the report under this provision. -- HB0995

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### RELATING TO CONTENTS OF CITATIONS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to arrest, how made. Provides that in any case in which it is lawful for a police officer to arrest a person without a warrant for a misdemeanor, petty misdemeanor, or violation, the police officer may, but need not, issue a citation in lieu of the requirements of this provision, if the police officer finds and is reasonably satisfied that: the person will appear in court at the time designated; the person has no outstanding arrest warrants that would justify the person's detention or give indication that the person might fail to appear in court; and the offense is of such nature that there will be no further police contact on or about the date in question or in the immediate future. Requires the current address of the offender, if available; the last 4 digits of the offender's social security number, if available; The signature of the offender agreeing to court appearance, unless the offender refuses, or is unable to sign; provided that omission of any of the information listed in this provision or any error in the citation shall not be a ground for dismissal of a charge or for reversal of a conviction if the omission or error did not prejudice the defendant. -- HB0998

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HB1001 HD1 (HSCR 688)

### RELATING TO SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS RELATED TO THE MAUI WILDFIRES.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to Maui wildfires settlement trust fund. Establishes in the state treasury the Maui wildfires settlement trust fund. Requires the Maui wildfires settlement trust fund to be terminated upon payment of all claims and costs relating to settlement of claims under the Maui wildfires settlement agreements. Requires that upon termination, moneys in the trust fund to revert back to the state and shall lapse to the general fund; provided that any moneys advanced to the trust fund as a loan shall be repaid without interest. Allows the director of finance to loan moneys to the Maui wildfires settlement trust fund from the general, special, or revolving funds of the state that in the director of finance's judgment are in excess of the amounts necessary for the state's requirements and will not impede or hamper the necessary financial operations of the state. Requires the loans to be without interest. Requires all loans to be repaid upon demand of the director of finance. Allows upon approval of the governor, the attorney general to expend up to the balance in the trust fund for costs as authorized by this provision. Provides that any individual who receives compensation from the Maui wildfires settlement trust fund under this provision shall execute a release that releases the state from any and all liabilities arising out of the Maui wildfires. Requires the department of the attorney general to submit a report to the legislature no later than 30 days prior to the convening of each regular session that shall include their receipts and disbursements of the Maui wildfires settlement trust fund for the prior fiscal year. -- Appropriation to the department of the attorney general to be deposited into the Maui wildfires settlement trust fund to fund the state's contribution to the settlement of claims related to the August 8, 2023, Maui wildfires and for the payment of administrative expenses relating to the Maui wildfires settlement agreements. (Report to Legislature) (\$\$) -- HB1001 HD1

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HB1002 HD1 (HSCR 240)

### RELATING TO THE HAWAII CORRECTIONAL SYSTEM OVERSIGHT COMMISSION.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to oversight coordinator; appointment; term. Requires the oversight coordinator to serve a 3-year term; provided that at the end of the coordinator's term, the Hawaii correctional system oversight commission may review the coordinator's performance and make a recommendation to the governor whether the coordinator should be retained for an additional term. -- Amends provisions relating to studies and

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investigations; procedure. Allows the oversight coordinator to make inquiries and obtain information as the oversight coordinator thinks fit, enter without notice to inspect the premises of an agency or correctional facility, and, in an investigation, hold private hearings in accordance with Administrative Procedure law. -- HB1002 HD1  
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HB1006 HD2 (HSCR 1075)

RELATING TO THE AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to definitions under the Agribusiness Development Corporation law. Defines agricultural tourism to mean commercial activity conducted on a working farm, or a farming operation as defined in definitions under the Hawaii Right to Farm Act, for the enjoyment, education, or involvement of visitors; provided that the agricultural tourism activity is accessory and secondary to the principal agricultural use and does not interfere with surrounding farm operations. -- Amends provisions relating to definitions under the Agribusiness Development Corporation law. Redefines enterprise to include a business engaged in agricultural tourism. -- HB1006 HD2

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HB1007 HD2 (HSCR 694)

RELATING TO THE HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends hawaii community development authority law. Allows the hawaii community development authority to cooperate with or assist public and private sector entities to engage in projects that improve the state. -- Amends provisions relating to transit-oriented development infrastructure improvement district by changing its title to transit-oriented development infrastructure improvement program. -- Repeals provisions relating to district established; boundaries. Establishes provisions relating to transit-oriented development infrastructure improvement program areas; established. -- Repeals provisions relating to the transit-oriented development infrastructure improvement district board; established; members; terms; vacancies; and transit-oriented development infrastructure improvement district board; powers; generally. -- Amends provisions relating to transit-oriented development infrastructure improvement district program special fund by changing its title to transit-oriented development infrastructure improvement program special fund. -- HB1007 HD2

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HB1008 HD2 (HSCR 592)

RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEWS OF STATE AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to Determination as to effect of proposed state affordable housing projects; historic review requirements. Requires notwithstanding provision relating to review of effect of proposed state projects, before any agency or officer of the state or its political subdivisions commences any affordable housing project that may affect a historic property, an aviation artifact, or a burial site, the agency or officer to advise the department and allow the department to make a determination for the proposed project as to the effect of the project on the historic property, aviation artifact, or burial site; provided that soil type, geographical location, and previous identification efforts are taken into consideration. Prohibits the project to be commenced, or if it has already begun, continued, until the department has made its determination. Provides if the department determines that the proposed project is located in a: highly sensitive area known to include a high density of historic, cultural, or archaeological resources, or in an area that is likely to contain a high density of historic, cultural, or archaeological resources, the department shall require an archaeological inventory survey in accordance with rules adopted by the department unless an archaeological inventory survey has already been previously reviewed and accepted by the department for the same or a substantially similar project located in the same project area, in which case the department may allow the project to proceed under an archaeological monitoring program in accordance with rules adopted by the department; moderately sensitive area in which no significant historic properties have been previously identified, the department may allow the project to proceed under an archaeological monitoring program in accordance with rules adopted by the department; and nominally sensitive area known to include a low density of historic, cultural, or archaeological resources, or where the project area has been substantially disturbed by previous excavation or other ground

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disturbing work and no significant historic properties have been previously identified, the department may allow the project to proceed without further review under this provision. Requires the department to provide its written determination under this provision within 90 days after the filing of a complete and accurate project request with the department. Allows the department's determinations to be appealed to the Hawaii historic places review board. Requires the agency or officer of the State or its political subdivisions to obtain state inventory of historic places numbers for all historic properties identified within the affordable housing project area during the archaeological inventory survey, if an archaeological inventory survey is conducted, before the start of construction, and for all historic properties identified within the affordable housing project area during archaeological monitoring before completion of construction. Requires before any agency or officer of the state or its political subdivisions commences any affordable housing project that may adversely affect a significant historic property, the agency or officer to make a reasonable and good faith effort to avoid or minimize any effect to significant historic properties. If an adverse effect cannot reasonably be avoided, the agency or officer shall mitigate the adverse effect. Mitigation may take different forms, including but not limited to preservation, archaeological data recovery, burial treatment, ethnographic documentation, historic data recovery, and architectural recordation. Require the terms under which mitigation will be implemented to be approved by the department before the agency or officer commences the affordable housing project. Requires if human remains are identified during archaeological monitoring or affordable housing project construction, all work within a 20 foot radius of the finding and within a 20 foot radius of the back-dirt pile containing the soil removed during excavation in proximity of the remains shall be stopped and both areas to be securely covered and protected from the natural elements and adjacent activities; provided that work in other areas of the project may continue and may only proceed in accordance with provision relating to inadvertent discovery of burial sites. Requires if historic property is identified during archaeological monitoring or affordable housing project construction, all work within a 20-foot radius of the finding to be stopped and the agency or officer shall contact the state historic preservation division. Requires the department of Hawaiian home lands, before any proposed project relating to lands under its jurisdiction commences, to consult with the department regarding the effect of the project upon historic property or a burial site. Requires the department to adopt rules in accordance with administrative procedure law to implement this provision. Defines an affordable housing project or project to mean a housing project in which greater than 50 per cent of the units are affordable to households with incomes at or below 140 per cent of the area median income amounts published by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development applicable to the location of the project.

-- HB1008 HD2

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### HB1009 HD1 (HSCR 485)

#### RELATING TO THE DWELLING UNIT REVOLVING FUND.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to Dwelling unit revolving fund equity program. Allows the corporation to purchase equity in for-sale housing development projects secured by a recorded instrument as determined by the corporation. Requires eligible buyers to be bona fide residents of the state and shall not own a majority interest in any residential real property. Allows the corporation to establish additional qualifications for the eligible buyer, which may include a requirement that the eligible buyer work in a profession that is facing a labor shortage, as determined by the corporation, and a requirement that gift funds shall not exceed 35 per cent of the unit purchase price. Allows the corporation to establish criteria for the prioritization of eligible buyers. Provides that if a buyer sells the unit within 30 years of the date of the buyer's purchase of the unit, then at the time of the sale, the buyer shall repay to the corporation the corporation's equity and equity percentage share of the appreciated unit value, if any; provided that if the buyer does not sell the unit within 30 years of the date of the buyer's purchase of the unit, then upon refinance, obtaining additional financing, transfer of title, non-owner occupancy, or rental of the unit or any part of the unit, the buyer shall repay to the corporation the corporation's equity and equity percentage share of the appreciated unit value, if any, prior to the expiration of the 30-year period; provided further that this requirement shall run with the deed or lease initially conveyed for each unit until the obligation to repay the equity and equity percentage share, if any, has been satisfied. Requires the corporation to establish rules pursuant to administrative procedure law to implement this provision.

-- Amends provisions relating to dwelling unit revolving fund. Requires the funds appropriated for the purpose of the dwelling unit revolving fund and all moneys received

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or collected by the corporation for the purpose of the revolving fund shall be deposited into the revolving fund. Requires the proceeds in the revolving fund shall be used: to reimburse the general fund to pay the interest on general obligation bonds issued for the purposes of the revolving fund; for necessary expenses in administering housing development programs and regional state infrastructure programs; and to carry out the purposes of housing development programs and regional state infrastructure programs, including but not limited to the expansion of community facilities and regional state infrastructure constructed in conjunction with housing and mixed-use transit-oriented development projects, purchasing equity in for-sale housing development projects, interim primary or secondary financing, permanent primary or secondary financing, and supplementing building costs, federal guarantees required for operational losses, and all things required by any federal agency in the construction and receipt of federal funds or low-income housing tax credits for housing projects. -- HB1009 HD1

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HB1017 HD1 (HSCR 505)

RELATING TO THE GREENHOUSE GAS SEQUESTRATION TASK FORCE.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to energy security special fund; uses under planning and economic development law; and greenhouse gas sequestration task force under hawaii climate change mitigation and adaptation initiative law. Repeals the greenhouse gas sequestration task force. -- HB1017 HD1

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HB1020 HD1 (HSCR 350)

RELATING TO A PROGRAM TO CHARACTERIZE CARBON SEQUESTRATION POTENTIAL AND UNDERGROUND WATER RESOURCES STATEWIDE.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to carbon sequestration and underground water resource characterization program. Establishes the carbon sequestration and underground water resource characterization program within the Hawaii state energy office to identify the location and characteristics of underground water and carbon sequestration resources across the State using the slim hole boring exploration method. Requires the Hawaii state energy office to implement the program, which shall include conducting a statewide environmental assessment of the program's actions pursuant to Environmental Impact Statements law, in collaboration with the Hawaii groundwater and geothermal resources center at the university of Hawaii or similar institution and director of business, economic development, and tourism. Requires, before and during the statewide environmental assessment for the carbon sequestration and underground water resource characterization program activities, the Hawaii state energy office and collaborators to meet with the counties and nearby communities, including individuals and civic organizations, in order to explain the purpose of the program and identify community needs, priorities, concerns, and appropriate locations to conduct the slim hole boring for the program. Requires the Hawaii state energy office to submit a progress report on the carbon sequestration and underground water resource characterization program, including its findings, recommendations, and any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2028. Report to the legislature. Requires the report to be made available to the public in readily accessible formats, including commonly used mapping software. -- Appropriation to the Hawaii state energy office for fiscal year 2026 - 2027 to carry out the purposes of this Act (\$\$). -- Appropriation to the Hawaii state energy office for \_\_\_\_ full time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) permanent position to support the activities described by this Act (\$\$). -- HB1020 HD1

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HB1025 HD1 (HSCR 509)

RELATING TO THE CENTER FOR CULTURAL AND TECHNICAL INTERCHANGE BETWEEN EAST AND WEST, INC.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to East-West Center. Requires the official designation of the Center for Cultural and Technical Interchange Between East and West, Inc., a Hawaii educational non-profit public corporation established in Hawaii pursuant to Act 82, Session Laws of Hawaii 1975, to be the State of Hawaii Center for Cultural and Technical Interchange Between East and West, Inc. Prohibits the qualifying standards and conditions related to the receipt of funds under grants under State Financial Administration law to apply to funds received by the State of Hawaii Center for Cultural

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and Technical Interchange Between East and West, Inc.; provided that if the center contracts with a recipient or provider, then the qualifying standards, conditions, and other provisions of grants shall apply to the recipient or provider and the contract. -- Requires, to receive funds, the State of Hawaii Center for Cultural and Technical Interchange Between East and West, Inc., to: be licensed or accredited, in accordance with federal, state, or county statutes, rules, or ordinances, to conduct the activities or provide the services for which funds are appropriated; comply with all applicable federal and state laws prohibiting discrimination against any person on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, creed, sex, age, sexual orientation, or disability; agree not to use the funds for entertainment or lobbying activities; be incorporated under the laws of the State; have bylaws or policies that describe the manner in which the activities or services for which funds are awarded shall be conducted or provided; have been determined and designated to be a tax-exempt organization by the Internal Revenue Service; and have a governing board whose members shall have no material conflict of interest and serve without compensation. Allows the comptroller and state auditor to examine the use of funds appropriated to the State of Hawaii Center for Cultural and Technical Interchange Between East and West, Inc. -- HB1025 HD1

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HB1026 HD1 (HSCR 267)

### MAKING EMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Appropriation to the director of finance for all collective bargaining cost items for collective bargaining unit 1 (nonsupervisory blue collar employees), unit 2 (supervisory blue collar employees), unit 3 (nonsupervisory white collar employees), unit 4 (supervisory white collar employees), unit 8 (personnel of the university of Hawaii and community college system), unit 9 (registered professional nurses), unit 10 (institutional, health, and correctional workers), unit 13 (professional and scientific employees), and unit 14 (state law enforcement officers). -- Appropriation to the chief justice for all collective bargaining cost items for collective bargaining unit 1 (nonsupervisory blue collar employees), unit 2 (supervisory blue collar employees), unit 3 (nonsupervisory white collar employees), unit 4 (supervisory white collar employees), unit 8 (personnel of the university of Hawaii and community college system), unit 9 (registered professional nurses), unit 10 (institutional, health, and correctional workers), and unit 13 (professional and scientific employees). -- Appropriation to the Hawaii health systems corporation for all collective bargaining cost items for collective bargaining unit 1 (nonsupervisory blue collar employees), unit 2 (supervisory blue collar employees), unit 3 (nonsupervisory white collar employees), unit 4 (supervisory white collar employees), unit 8 (personnel of the university of Hawaii and community college system), unit 9 (registered professional nurses), unit 10 (institutional, health, and correctional workers), and unit 13 (professional and scientific employees). (expenditure ceiling) (\$\$) -- HB1026 HD1

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HB1027 HD1 (HSCR 313)

### RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Appropriation to the director of finance and chief justice for all collective bargaining cost items for collective bargaining unit 1 (nonsupervisory blue collar employees) and for salary increases and other costs adjustments for state officers and employees excluded from collective bargaining. -- Appropriation to the Hawaii health systems corporation for all collective bargaining cost items for collective bargaining unit 1 (nonsupervisory blue collar employees) and for salary increases and other cost adjustments for state officers and employees excluded from collective bargaining. (\$\$) -- HB1027 HD1

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HB1028 HD1 (HSCR 268)

### RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Appropriation to the director of finance and chief justice for all collective bargaining cost items for collective bargaining unit 2 (supervisory blue collar employees) and for salary increases and other cost adjustments for state officers and employees excluded from collective bargaining. -- Appropriation to the Hawaii health systems corporation for all collective bargaining cost items for collective bargaining unit 2 (supervisory blue collar employees) and for salary increases and other cost adjustments for state officers and

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employees excluded from collective bargaining. (\$\$) -- HB1028 HD1  
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HB1029 HD1 (HSCR 269)

RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Appropriation to the director of finance and chief justice for all collective bargaining cost items for collective bargaining unit 3 (nonsupervisory white collar employees) and for salary increases and other cost adjustments for state officers and employees excluded from collective bargaining. -- Appropriation to the Hawaii health systems corporation for all collective bargaining cost items for collective bargaining unit 3 (nonsupervisory white collar employees) and for salary increases and other cost adjustments for state officers and employees excluded from collective bargaining. (\$\$) -- HB1029 HD1

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HB1030 HD1 (HSCR 270)

RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Appropriation to the director of finance and chief justice for all collective bargaining cost items for collective bargaining unit 4 (supervisory white collar employees) and for salary increases and other cost adjustments for state officers and employees excluded from collective bargaining. -- Appropriation to the Hawaii health systems corporation for all collective bargaining cost items for collective bargaining unit 4 (supervisory white collar employees) and for salary increases and other cost adjustments for state officers and employees excluded from collective bargaining. (\$\$) -- HB1030 HD1

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HB1031 HD1 (HSCR 314)

RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Appropriation to the director of finance for all collective bargaining cost items for collective bargaining unit 5 (teachers and other personnel of the department of education) and for salary increases and other cost adjustments for state officers and employees excluded from collective bargaining. (\$\$) -- HB1031 HD1

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HB1032 HD1 (HSCR 315)

RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Appropriation to the director of finance for all collective bargaining cost items for collective bargaining unit 6 (educational officers and other personnel of the department of education) and for salary increases and other cost adjustments for state officers and employees excluded from collective bargaining. (\$\$) -- HB1032 HD1

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HB1033 HD1 (HSCR 316)

RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Appropriation to the director of finance for all collective bargaining cost items for collective bargaining unit 7 (faculty of the university of Hawaii and community college system) and for salary increases and other cost adjustments for state officers and employees excluded from collective bargaining. (\$\$) -- HB1033 HD1

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HB1034 HD1 (HSCR 271)

RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Appropriation to the director of finance for all collective bargaining cost items for collective bargaining unit 8 (personnel of the university of Hawaii and community college system) and for salary increases and other cost adjustments for state officers and employees excluded from collective bargaining. (\$\$) -- HB1034 HD1

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HB1035 HD1 (HSCR 272)

RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS.

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Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Appropriation to the director of finance and chief justice for all collective bargaining cost items for collective bargaining unit 9 (registered professional nurses) and for salary increases and other cost adjustments for state officers and employees excluded from collective bargaining. -- Appropriation to the Hawaii health systems corporation for all collective bargaining cost items for collective bargaining unit 9 (registered professional nurses) and for salary increases and other cost adjustments for state officers and employees excluded from collective bargaining. (\$\$) -- HB1035 HD1

Current Status: Feb=28 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB1036 HD1 (HSCR 273)

RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Appropriation to the director of finance and chief justice for all collective bargaining cost items for collective bargaining unit 10 (institutional, health, and correctional workers) and for salary increases and other cost adjustments for state officers and employees excluded from collective bargaining. -- Appropriation to the Hawaii health systems corporation for all collective bargaining cost items for collective bargaining unit 10 (institutional, health, and correctional workers) and for salary increases and other cost adjustments for state officers and employees excluded from collective bargaining. (\$\$) -- HB1036 HD1

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HB1037 HD1 (HSCR 274)

RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Appropriation to the director of finance for all collective bargaining cost items for collective bargaining unit 11 (firefighters) and for salary increases and other cost adjustments for state officers and employees excluded from collective bargaining. (\$\$) -- HB1037 HD1

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HB1038 HD1 (HSCR 275)

RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Appropriation to the director of finance and chief justice for all collective bargaining cost items for collective bargaining unit 13 (professional and scientific employees) and for salary increases and other cost adjustments for state officers and employees excluded from collective bargaining. -- Appropriation to the Hawaii health systems corporation for all collective bargaining cost items for collective bargaining unit 13 (professional and scientific employees) and for salary increases and other cost adjustments for state officers and employees excluded from collective bargaining. (\$\$) -- HB1038 HD1

Current Status: Feb=28 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB1039 HD1 (HSCR 276)

RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Appropriation to the director of finance for all collective bargaining cost items for collective bargaining unit 14 (state law enforcement officers) and for salary increases and other cost adjustments for state officers and employees excluded from collective bargaining. (\$\$) -- HB1039 HD1

Current Status: Feb=28 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB1045 HD1 (HSCR 690)

MAKING EMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL COSTS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Appropriation to the department of accounting and general services for an interdepartmental transfer from the department to the department of law enforcement for personnel costs, including payroll and fringe benefits. -- Appropriation to the judiciary for an interdepartmental transfer from the judiciary to the department of law enforcement for personnel costs, including payroll and fringe benefits. (expenditure ceiling) (\$\$) -- HB1045 HD1

Current Status: Mar=04 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB1050 HD1 (HSCR 809)

RELATING TO TITLE 24, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to protection against insolvency under benefit societies; and health maintenance organization act law. Amends net solvency report filing date requirements for mutual benefit societies and health maintenance organizations. -- Amends provisions relating to protection against insolvency; net solvency report under dental insurers law. Amends net solvency report filing date requirements for dental insurers. -- HB1050 HD1

Current Status: Mar=06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB1051 HD1 (HSCR 367)

RELATING TO ENERGY-EFFICIENCY PORTFOLIO STANDARDS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to financing for state government agencies. Requires as may be applicable, an agency to consult with the public benefits fee administrator of the commission before planning an energy-efficiency measure subject to this provision. Provides that all supporting documentation required by the public benefits fee administrator shall be provided by the agency to ensure compliance with the State's energy-efficiency portfolio standards under provision relating to energy-efficiency portfolio standards. -- Amends provisions relating to energy-efficiency portfolio standards. Requires the energy-efficiency portfolio standards to be designed to achieve 4,300 gigawatt hours of electricity use reductions statewide by 2030 and 6,000 gigawatt hours of electricity use reductions statewide by 2045; provided that the public utilities commission shall establish interim goals for electricity use reduction to be achieved by 2015, 2020, 2025, 2035, and 2040, and may also adjust the 2030 and 2045 standards and interim standards by rule or order to maximize cost-effective energy-efficiency programs and technologies; provided further that the interim goals established by the public utilities commission shall show clear progress towards meeting the State's 2030 and 2045 energy-efficiency portfolio standards. Allows the public utilities commission to establish, by rule or order, incentives and penalties based on performance in achieving the energy-efficiency portfolio standards. Requires the public utilities commission to evaluate the energy-efficiency portfolio standards every 5 years, beginning in 2013, to determine if the energy-efficiency portfolio standards established by this provision remain effective and achievable and may revise the standards, based on the best information available at the time. Requires the public utilities commission to report its findings and revisions to the energy-efficiency portfolio standards, based on its own studies and other information, to the legislature no later than 20 days before the convening of the regular session of 2014, and every 5 years thereafter. Provides that beginning in 2015, electric energy savings brought about by the use of renewable displacement or off-set technologies, including solar water heating and sea-water air-conditioning district cooling systems, shall count toward these standards. -- HB1051 HD1

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HB1052 HD1 (HSCR 422)

RELATING TO THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE PROGRAM.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to universal service program; establishment; purpose; principles. Establishes the universal service program. The purpose of this program is to: ensure that consumers in all communities are provided with access, at reasonably comparable rates, to all telecommunications services that are used by a majority of consumers located in metropolitan areas of the State. Requires the commission to provide for a reasonable transition period to support the statewide deployment of these advanced telecommunications services, including but not limited to the use of strategic community access points in public facilities, such as education, library, and health care facilities; ensure access to essential telecommunications services for individuals with print disabilities, including providing free, print-disability-friendly telephonic access to time-sensitive information for individuals who are blind or visually impaired. Redefines time-sensitive information to include state and government information, public notices, emergency alerts, job opportunities, and daily newspapers. -- Amends provisions relating to universal service program; contributions. Establishes outside of the state treasury a special fund to be known as the universal service fund to be administered by the commission to implement the policies and goals of universal service through the universal service program. Allows the commission to use available funds in the fund to provide free telephonic access to time-sensitive information for individuals with print disabilities; provided that the amount of funds expended from the fund for this purpose

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shall not exceed \_\_\_\_ dollars. Allows the commission to allow distribution of funds from the fund directly to customers based upon a need criteria established by the commission. Allows The commission to determine the percentage of telecommunications fees to be contributed to the universal service fund. -- HB1052 HD1

Current Status: Mar=04 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB1055 HD1 (HSCR 424)

MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Appropriation out of the public utilities commission special fund to the public utilities commission to contract consultant services for utility dockets. (\$\$) -- HB1055 HD1

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HB1059 HD1 (HSCR 151)

RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to civil service and exemptions under the Public Officers and Employees law. Requires the civil service to which this chapter applies to comprise all positions in the State now existing or hereafter established and embrace all personal services performed for the State, except the following: in the Hawaii emergency management agency, the executive officer, public information officer, civil defense administrative officer, branch chiefs, positions in the emergency management specialist series at level V and higher, and emergency operations center state warning point personnel; provided that for state warning point personnel, the director shall determine that recruitment through normal civil service recruitment procedures would result in delay or noncompliance. -- HB1059 HD1

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HB1064 HD2 (HSCR 691)

RELATING TO FIRE PROTECTION.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to office of the state fire marshal. Requires the office of the state fire marshal to be temporarily established within the office of the governor for administrative purposes. Requires the office to be headed by the state fire marshal. -- Establishes provisions relating to office of the state fire marshal; powers and duties generally; office of the state fire marshal; discretionary powers; preparation of statistical reports; powers and duties relating to wildfire readiness; preparation of emergency plans by the state fire marshal; state fire marshal; terms of employment; deputies and assistants; salaries and expenses; recordkeeping; community risk reduction program; community risk reduction special fund; state fire marshal; biennial report; deadline; contents; provision of uniforms, response apparatus, motor vehicles, and all emergency supplies and equipment; uniform design; minimum defensible space requirements; duties of the state fire marshal; enforcement powers of the counties; assistance to the counties; statewide wildfire hazard map; office of the state marshal; advisory board. -- Amends provisions relating to civil service and exemptions; county fire chiefs; powers and duties; investigation of fires; criminal prosecutions; investigation of fires; immunity for information received from insurers; right of entry for inspection; unlawful to obstruct; duties of county fire chiefs; periodic inspections; orders to remove fire hazards; appeals; witnesses; fees; recorded order of county fire chiefs as evidence by changing its title to recorded order of county fire chiefs and state fire marshal as evidence; court aid; penalty; state fire council; composition; functions; definitions under statewide traffic code law. -- Repeals provisions relating to office of the state fire marshal; established. -- Appropriation to the office of the governor for the operations and work of the office of the state fire marshal. Effectuates the recommendations of the Phase 3 Forward-Looking Report by Fire Safety Research Institute on the August 2023 Maui wildfires and further clarifies the role of the state fire marshal. (\$\$) -- HB1064 HD2

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HB1065 HD1 (HSCR 756)

RELATING TO THE EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATOR SPECIAL FUND.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to Hawaii early childhood educator stipend program. Provides that on July 1, 2023, stipend funds repaid by a stipend recipient pursuant to this provision shall be deposited into the early learning special fund established pursuant to

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early learning special fund. Repeals provisions relating to Hawaii childhood educator special fund. -- HB1065 HD1

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HB1066 HD1 (HSCR 753)

RELATING TO THE EARLY LEARNING BOARD.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to early learning board. Requires the superintendent of education, director of human services, director of health, president of the university of Hawaii, and head start state collaboration office director to serve as ex officio, non voting members of the board. Requires the board to invite the chief executive officer of Kamehameha Schools, the executive director of the Hawaii Association of Independent Schools, and president of the Head Start Association of Hawaii, or their designees, to serve as ex officio, non voting members of the board. -- HB1066 HD1

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HB1069 HD1 (HSCR 466)

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to school facilities authority board. Requires the board to consist of 7 voting members. Requires 2 of the members to be the superintendent of education or the superintendent's designee; and the chairperson of the board of education or the chairperson's designee. -- HB1069 HD1

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HB1079 HD1 (HSCR 260)

RELATING TO TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Requires the office of wellness and resilience, in collaboration with the department of human services, to design, administer, and implement a trauma-informed care organizational assessment and training program, either directly or by contract. -- Appropriation to office of wellness and resilience for the office of wellness and resilience to, directly or by contract, design, administer, and implement a trauma-informed care organizational assessment and training program for the department of human services child welfare branch. (\$\$) -- HB1079 HD1

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HB1087 HD2 (HSCR 1095)

RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEWS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to review of effect of proposed state projects. Allows notwithstanding this provision, the department of Hawaiian home lands to review the effect of any proposed project relating to lands under its jurisdiction upon historic property or a burial site, subject to this law and to any administrative rules adopted under this law; provided that the department of Hawaiian home lands shall: designate the review to a Hawaiian home lands preservation officer who has the professional qualifications for archaeologists, architectural historians, ethnographers, historians, and physical anthropologists and who has received a written delegation of authority to perform the review from the state historic preservation officer; ensure that copies of all reports, maps, and documents, including those reflecting the Hawaiian home lands preservation officer's comments, recommendations, and decisions, are provided to the department to be incorporated into the historic preservation digital document management system and library; and notify the department that the department of Hawaiian home lands will be reviewing the effect when initiating review and provide the department with a copy of the written concurrence or nonconcurrence at the end of the review; and consult with the appropriate island burial council on any projects impacting a burial site or if a burial site is advertently discovered pursuant to provisions relating to prehistoric and historic burial sites or inadvertent discovery of burial sites, or both, as appropriate. Requires the department to retain authority for review under this provision for projects affecting properties listed or nominated for inclusion in the Hawaii register of historic places or the national register of historic places. -- HB1087 HD2

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HB1088 HD1 (HSCR 41)

RELATING TO SCHOOL IMPACT FEES.

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Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to applicability and exemptions under education law. Establishes exemptions from school impact fees for any form of housing developed by the department of hawaiian home lands for use by beneficiaries of the Hawaiian homes commission Act, 1920, as amended. -- HB1088 HD1

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HB1091 HD1 (HSCR 814)

RELATING TO SEWER TRANSMISSION LINES.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to county ownership of sewer transmission lines and facilities servicing Hawaiian home lands. Requires any sewer lines or other sewerage facilities: to be brought into compliance with those laws, rules, and regulations by the department of Hawaiian home lands before acceptance by the county; provided that all sewer transmission lines and related sewerage facilities servicing Hawaiian home lands brought into compliance shall be accepted by a county within 60 days after the receipt by the appropriate county agency of a completed application for maintenance request; and sewer transmission lines and other sewerage facilities completed after July 7, 2014, shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and county environmental, design, and construction requirements before acceptance by a county. -- HB1091 HD1

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HB1093 HD1 (HSCR 409)

RELATING TO THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to definitions under hawaii public housing authority law. Defines housing or housing project to mean any home, house, residence, building, apartment, living quarters, abode, domicile, or dwelling unit that is designed principally for the purposes of sheltering people. -- HB1093 HD1

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HB1096 HD1 (HSCR 208)

RELATING TO TENANT SELECTION.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provision relating to housing; tenant selection. Repeals the tenant selection preferences for disabled veterans and the spouses of deceased veterans in the state low-income housing program. -- HB1096 HD1

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HB1097 HD1 (HSCR 410)

RELATING TO PUBLIC HOUSING EVICTIONS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to eviction. Allows upon eviction, the household goods and personal effects of the tenant against whom the order is entered, and those of any persons using the premises incident to the tenant's holding, to be removed from the premises and stored by the authority. Provides that if the action is taken, the authority shall have a lien on the property taken for the expenses incurred by the authority in moving and storing the property, and the authority may sell or otherwise dispose of the property if unclaimed after 14 days. -- Amends provisions relating to eviction. Provides that if the action is taken, the authority shall have a lien on the property so taken for the expenses incurred by it in moving and storing the same, and the authority may sell or otherwise dispose of the property if unclaimed after 14 days. -- HB1097 HD1

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HB1098 HD1 (HSCR 262)

RELATING TO CRIMES AGAINST PROTECTIVE SERVICES WORKERS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to assault in the 2nd degree. Provides that a person commits the offense of assault in the 2nd degree if the person: intentionally or knowingly causes bodily injury to any protective services worker who is engaged in the performance of the worker's duties. Defines protective services worker to mean any administrator, specialist, social worker, case manager, or aide employed by the department of human services to investigate or provide services in response to reports of child abuse or neglect, or to investigate or provide services in response to reports of abuse or neglect of a vulnerable adult. -- Amends provisions relating to terroristic threatening in the 1st degree. Redefines

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public servant to include but is not limited to an educational worker or protective services worker. Redefines educational worker and protective services worker to have the same meanings as defined in assault in the 2nd degree. -- HB1098 HD1

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HB1099 HD1 (HSCR 263)

MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Appropriation to the department of human services to reinvest in the ongoing development of a new eligibility system that will result in reduced payment error rates for the supplemental nutrition assistance program. (expenditure ceiling) (\$\$) -- HB1099 HD1

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HB1120 HD2 (HSCR 1055)

RELATING TO NUISANCES.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to removal, prevention under nuisances; sanitary regulations law by changing its title to prevention; abatement; destruction; removal. Establishes that the department of health has the legal authority to prevent, abate, destroy, or remove nuisances that threaten public health, environmental health, or both. -- HB1120 HD2

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HB1137 HD2 (HSCR 1093)

RELATING TO RESTORATION OF BEACH LANDS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to definitions. Redefines beach restoration to mean an activity undertaken to: maintain and improve beaches and dune systems through management of sand and native dune vegetation; place sand on an eroded beach from an approved outside or adjacent source, with or without stabilizing structures; or remove abandoned remnant materials from beaches and dunes that pose a risk to public health and coastal ecosystems. -- HB1137 HD2

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HB1141 HD1 (HSCR 358)

RELATING TO UPDATING PUBLIC LAND LEASES ISSUED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 171, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to lease restrictions; generally; commercial, industrial, resort, mixed-use, or government leases; extension of term; and lease restrictions under public lands, management and disposition of law. Requires lease extensions approved by the board of land and natural resources to be drafted on the most current approved lease form to ensure that the extension of any lease will be subject to the most current leasing practices and policies of the board. -- HB1141 HD1

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HB1144 HD2 (HSCR 657)

RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT IN THE STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to civil service and exemptions. Requires the civil service to which this law applies to comprise all positions in the State now existing or hereafter established and embrace all personal services performed for the State, except the following: professional and technical staff within the state historic preservation division of the department of land and natural resources.. -- HB1144 HD2

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HB1145 HD1 (HSCR 998)

RELATING TO CONFORMITY TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to conformance to the federal Internal Revenue Code; general application. Establishes that for all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2024, as used in this law, except as provided in this provision and provisions relating to income tax law, Internal Revenue Code means subtitle A, chapter 1, of the federal Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended as of December 31, 2024, as it applies to

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the determination of gross income, adjusted gross income, ordinary income and loss, and taxable income, except those provisions of the Internal Revenue Code which, pursuant to this law, do not apply or are otherwise limited in application. -- Amends provisions relating to conformance to the Internal Revenue Code; general application. Establishes that for all decedents dying, or transfers occurring, after December 31, 2024, as used in this law, Internal Revenue Code means subtitle B of the federal Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended as of December 31, 2024, as it applies to the determination of gross estate, adjusted gross estate, federal taxable estate, and generation-skipping transfers, except those provisions of the Internal Revenue Code and federal public laws that, pursuant to this law, do not apply or are otherwise limited in application. -- HB1145 HD1

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HB1146 HD1 (HSCR 999)

RELATING TO PASS-THROUGH ENTITY TAXATION.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to pass-through entity taxation election. Requires any qualified member claiming a credit to add to the qualified member's taxable income the qualified member's share of taxes paid by an electing pass-through entity under this provision. -- HB1146 HD1

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HB1147 HD1 (HSCR 1000)

RELATING TO THE EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to refundable earned income tax credit. Provides that unless otherwise provided by law, the tax credit, for the appropriate taxable year, shall be 40 per cent of the federal earned income tax credit allowed and properly claimed under provision 32 of the Internal Revenue Code and reported as such on the individual's federal income tax return. Requires for a part-year resident or a nonresident, the tax credit to equal the amount of the tax credit calculated in this provision multiplied by the ratio of Hawaii adjusted gross income to federal adjusted gross income. Provides that no nonrefundable credits claimed for the taxable year beginning after December 31, 2021, and carried forward under this provision, shall be used as a credit for a taxable year beginning after December 31, 2025. -- HB1147 HD1

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HB1149 HD1 (HSCR 1001)

RELATING TO GENERAL EXCISE TAX EXEMPTIONS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to amounts not taxable under general excise tax law. Repeals the general excise tax exemption for amounts received by independent sugar cane farmers. Repeals the general excise tax exemption for amounts received by a contractor of the Patient-Centered Community Care program that is established by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs pursuant to title 38 United States Code section 8153. -- Amends provisions relating to use of corporate equity under limited equity housing cooperatives law. -- HB1149 HD1

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HB1152 HD1 (HSCR 538)

RELATING TO TAX ADMINISTRATION.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to civil service and exemptions under the Public Officers and employees law. Requires the civil service to which this law applies to comprise all positions in the State now existing or hereafter established and embrace all personal services performed for the State, except the following: the software developer supervisor and senior software developers in the department of taxation; and in the office of the director of taxation, the data privacy officer and tax business analysts. -- HB1152 HD1

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HB1153 HD1 (HSCR 1002)

RELATING TO FUNDING ADJUSTMENTS FOR STATE PROGRAMS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends Act 164, Session laws of Hawaii 2023, as amended by Act 230, Session Laws of Hawaii 2024, relating to the state budget. Establishes supplemental allotments and

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transfers of unrequired balances for capital improvement program projects. Establishes a protocol fund with a cap of 7,000 dollars for each state principal department. -- HB1153 HD1

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HB1155 HD1 (HSCR 992)

RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to application of this chapter under hawaii public procurement code law. Establishes exemptions for government bodies to procure certain construction projects from the hawaii public procurement code contracts. -- HB1155 HD1

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HB1156 HD1 (HSCR 374)

RELATING TO SPECIAL FACILITY REVENUE BONDS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to powers. Allows, in addition and supplemental to the powers granted to the department by law, the department of transportation to: with the approval of the governor, enter into a special facility lease or an amendment or supplement thereto whereby the department agrees with another person engaged in maritime and maritime-related operations to construct, acquire, remodel, furnish, or equip a special facility solely for the use by that other person to a special facility lease; provided that the special facility lease may be amendatory and supplemental to an existing lease between the department and the other person for the land upon which the special facility that is the subject of the special facility lease is to be situated; with the approval of the governor: issue special facility revenue bonds in principal amounts as may be necessary to yield the amount of the cost of any construction, acquisition, remodeling, furnishing, and equipping of any special facility; provided that the total principal amount of the special facility revenue bonds that may be issued pursuant to this provision shall not exceed \_\_\_\_\_ dollars. -- HB1156 HD1

Current Status: Mar=04 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB1158 HD1 (HSCR 108)

RELATING TO FIREFIGHTING AT COMMERCIAL HARBORS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to firefighting; limited liability. Prohibits any person who renders firefighting services with a firefighting vessel upon a reasonable command by someone known to the person as a firefighter at any commercial harbor or roadstead, any commercial harbor or waterfront improvement belonging to or controlled by the state, or any vessel within a commercial harbor or roadstead to be liable for any civil damages resulting from the person's acts or omissions occurring during the course of firefighting, except for damages as may result from the person's gross negligence or wanton acts or omissions. -- HB1158 HD1

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HB1159 HD2 (HSCR 1092)

RELATING TO COMMERCIAL HARBORS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to order to evacuate a commercial harbor; penalties. Requires that during an emergency, any master or person in charge of a vessel using the commercial waterways and facilities under the jurisdiction of the department of transportation to comply with and carry into effect any evacuation order from a commercial harbor issued by the harbor master assigned to that commercial harbor. Requires notwithstanding any law to the contrary, any person, including but not limited to a vessel master, agent, owner, or crew, who violates this provision to be fined 10,000 dollars for each day of violation per vessel to be deposited into the harbor special fund pursuant to provision relating to creation of harbor special fund; disposition of harbor special fund; provided that in addition to the fines, a court, the department of transportation, or a hearings officer may deprive the offender of the privilege of entering the secured area of a commercial harbor or obtaining an operating or mooring permit for any vessel in a commercial harbor for a period of 1 year. Defines emergency to have the same meaning as in provision under emergency management law. Defines evacuation to mean the immediate and rapid movement of individuals and vessels away from the threat or actual occurrence of any hazard, emergency, or disaster, which includes leaving any commercial harbor under the jurisdiction of the department of transportation. Defines

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harbor master to mean any person appointed to that office by the director of transportation and vested with the operational control of a state commercial harbor and includes any harbor district manager, commercial harbors manager, and harbor agent. Defines vessel to include all description of watercraft that are used or are capable of being used as a means of transportation on or in the water. -- Amends provisions relating to creation of harbor special fund; disposition of harbor special fund. Establishes the treasury of the state the harbor special fund. Requires all moneys received by the department of transportation from the rates, fees, fines, and administrative penalties pursuant to provisions relating to rates, how fixed, violation of rules; penalty, fines arising from environmental protection and maritime transportation security violations, general administrative penalties, and harbors law to be paid into the harbor special fund. -- HB1159 HD2

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### HB1161 HD2 (HSCR 614)

#### RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to county mileage-based road usage charge; established. Provides that beginning July 1, 2028, in addition to all other fees and taxes levied by this law, a county may impose a county mileage-based road usage charge on electric vehicles and plug-in hybrid electric vehicles. -- Establishes provisions relating to county mileage-based road usage charge; dispositions. Requires the county mileage-based road usage charge for each county to be collected by the respective county and deposited into the respective county highway fund; provided that amounts collected in the county of Maui on vehicle miles traveled on the island of Lanai shall be used solely for expenditures on the island of Lanai; provided further that the amounts collected in the county of Maui on vehicle miles traveled on the island of Molokai shall be used solely for expenditures on the island of Molokai. -- Amends provisions relating to state highway fund. Requires the department of transportation to establish a state mileage-based road usage charge subaccount within the state highway fund. -- Amends provisions relating to highway fund. Requires all taxes, fees, or charges collected under this law, except those collected pursuant to provisions relating to bicycle fee and new bicycles and mopeds and the state mileage-based road usage charge, to be deposited in a county fund to be known as the highway fund and shall be expended in the county in which the taxes, fees, or charges are collected for specific purposes. -- Amends provisions relating to state mileage-based road usage charge. Requires electric vehicles, beginning July 1, 2025, and plug-in hybrid electric vehicles, beginning July 1, 2026, to be subject to a state mileage-based road usage charge. Clarifies the rate and calculation of the state mileage-based road usage charge. -- Amends provisions relating to definitions under motor vehicle rental industry law. -- Appropriation out of the state highway fund to the department of transportation for the implementation of the state mileage-based road usage charge program, to be used with available federal funds; provided that moneys appropriated pursuant to this section shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal year and any unexpended or unencumbered funds as of June 30, 2026, shall lapse into the state highway fund as of that date. -- Appropriation out of the state highway fund to the department of transportation to be used with 802,400 dollars of federal funds and the sum of \_\_\_\_ dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2026-2027 to be used with 1,542,480 dollars of federal funds, for the continued implementation of the state mileage-based road user charge established pursuant to provisions relating to state mileage-based road usage charge; provided that the moneys appropriated for fiscal year 2025-2026 and fiscal year 2026-2027 for the purposes of this Act shall not lapse at the end of their respective fiscal year and any unexpended or unencumbered funds as of June 30, 2028, shall lapse into the state highway fund as of that date. (\$\$) -- HB1161 HD2

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### HB1162 HD2 (HSCR 1090)

#### RELATING TO MOTORCYCLE INSTRUCTION PERMITS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to instruction permits under highway safety law. Requires all applicants for a motorcycle instruction permit to successfully complete a basic motorcycle rider course approved by the department of transportation to be qualified to receive a motorcycle instruction permit. Prohibits a person from operating a motor vehicle for a driving training course without a valid temporary instruction permit unless it is a motorcycle that is being used for training purposes on an enclosed state certified training



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HB1164 HD1 (HSCR 507)

RELATING TO HIGHWAY REVENUE BONDS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends Act 164, Session Laws of Hawaii 2023, relating to the state budget, as amended by Act 230, Session Laws of Hawaii 2024. Establishes provisions relating to highway revenue bonds. Allows the department of transportation to issue highway revenue bonds for highway capital improvement projects authorized in this Act and designated to be financed by revenue bond funds or by general obligation bond funds with the debt service cost to be paid from special funds, in a principal amount as shall be required to yield the amounts appropriated for the capital improvement projects and, if so determined by the department and approved by the governor, any additional principal amount as may be deemed necessary by the department to pay interest on the highway revenue bonds during the estimated period of construction of the capital improvement projects for which the highway revenue bonds are issued, to establish, maintain, or increase reserves for the highway revenue bonds or highway revenue bonds heretofore authorized (whether authorized and issued or authorized and still unissued), and to pay all or any part of the expenses related to the issuance of the highway revenue bonds. -- HB1164 HD1

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HB1166 HD1 (HSCR 703)

RELATING TO AUTOMATED SPEED ENFORCEMENT SYSTEMS PROGRAM.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Appropriation out of the state highway fund to be deposited into the automated speed enforcement systems program special fund. Appropriation out of the fund to the department of transportation for the establishment and maintenance of the automated speed enforcement systems program. (\$\$) -- HB1166 HD1

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HB1167 HD1 (HSCR 370)

MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Appropriation out of the state highway fund to the department of transportation for payroll, fringe benefits, and administrative costs for the enforcement of the motor carrier law. (\$\$) -- HB1167 HD1

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HB1168 HD1 (HSCR 400)

RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII REVENUE BONDS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Authorizes the issuance of revenue bonds, with the approval of the governor, to finance the costs of construction or the costs of maintenance and modernization, or both, of any university project, any university system, or any network or combination thereof, including reserves therefor as the board of regents may direct. Appropriation to the board of regents. Report to the legislature. (\$\$) -- HB1168 HD1

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HB1169 HD1 (HSCR 308)

RELATING TO UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII CONFERENCE CENTER REVOLVING FUND.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to University of Hawaii conference center revolving fund. Establishes the university of Hawaii conference center revolving fund for conference center programs conducted by the university. Allows the university to establish and collect fees and charges for the costs of providing these services. Requires all fees, charges, and other moneys collected in conjunction with the conference center programs of the university to be deposited in separate accounts within the revolving fund. Allows the university to establish accounts under the university of Hawaii conference center revolving fund to facilitate the administration of this fund among the various campuses and operating units of the university of Hawaii system. Authorizes the university to expend funds from the appropriate account in the revolving fund for all costs associated with conducting conferences, seminars, and courses provided by the conference center

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programs, including but not limited to expenses for honoraria, hotel and room rentals, food and refreshment, printing and mailing, airfare and per diem, lei, rental of audiovisual equipment, and other conference related services, fees, supplies and materials, without regard to provision relating to Hawaii products and any competitive bidding requirements pursuant to state procurement requirements. Requires the university to prepare and submit an annual report to the legislature accounting for all income and expenditures of each separate account within the revolving fund. Requires on July 1, 2025, all unencumbered funds in the conference center revolving fund, university of Hawaii at Hilo; and in the community college conference center revolving fund to lapse to the university of Hawaii conference center revolving fund established pursuant to provision 1 of this act. -- Appropriation to the university of Hawaii for the conference center revolving fund, university of Hawaii at Hilo, and in the community college conference center revolving fund. (Report to Legislature) (\$\$) -- HB1169 HD1

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HB1170 HD1 (HSCR 404)

RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII RESIDENT TUITION FEE.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to residence for tuition purposes; basic rule. Requires the board of regents to adopt the necessary rules defining residence for tuition purposes herein; provided that the basic rule shall be that a student shall qualify for the resident tuition fee only if the following criteria are met: the adult or minor student: graduated from a high school in the State within 4 years preceding the student's 1st day of officially scheduled instruction for any semester or term in which the student is enrolling at the particular college or campus; and will enroll in an undergraduate degree program. -- HB1170 HD1

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HB1171 HD2 (HSCR 1029)

RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII RELIEF FUNDING.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Amends provisions relating to university of hawaii tuition and fees special fund. Allows the board of regents to authorize expenditures of up to 3,000,000 dollars annually, excluding in-kind services, from the special fund for the purposes of providing student aid in direct response to an emergency or a disaster as declared by the governor. Requires the university of hawaii to submit a comprehensive report to the legislature detailing the use of any funds authorized by the board under this provision no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session. (Report to the legislature). -- HB1171 HD2

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HB1173 HD1 (HSCR 993)

RELATING TO TAX LIENS.

Introduced by: Yamashita K

Amends provisions relating to tax debt due the State; lien penalties and interest. Requires the certificate to identify the taxpayer, the taxpayer's last known address, the tax or taxes involved, and the date on which the liability for the tax or taxes was assessed. Requires the department to issue a certificate of discharge as to any liability that has been satisfied or that has become unenforceable under limitation period for assessment, levy, collection, or credit; net operating loss carrybacks, limitation period, assessment of tax upon failure to make return; limitation period; exceptions; extension by agreement, audits; additional assessments; refunds, assessments; limitation period; exceptions; extension by agreement, limitation period for assessment, levy, collection, or credit, assessment of surcharge tax upon failure to make return; limitation period; exceptions; extension by agreement, and limitation period for assessment, levy, collection, or refund. -- HB1173 HD1

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HB1174 HD1 (HSCR 695)

RELATING TO THE PROCEDURE FOR PAYMENT UNDER PROTEST LAWSUITS.

Introduced by: Yamashita K

Amends provisions relating to payment to state under protest under audit and accounting law. Allows for the interest earned on payments under protest in the litigated claims fund to be paid in nontaxation cases if the claimant prevails. Establishes a procedure for the disposition of moneys and refiling of actions when a payment under protest suit is filed prematurely. -- HB1174 HD1

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HB1175

### RELATING TO THE PROCEDURE FOR TAX APPEALS.

Introduced by: Yamashita K

Amends provisions relating to appeals; procedure. Allows any taxpayer or county aggrieved or the assessor to appeal to the intermediate appellate court, subject to courts of appeal law, from the decision of the tax appeal court by filing a written notice of appeal and depositing the costs of appeal, in the manner required by court rules, within 30 days after the filing of the decision or within 30 days after entry of final judgment. -- HB1175

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HB1179 HD1 (HSCR 69)

### RELATING TO RURAL EMERGENCY HOSPITALS.

Introduced by: Miyake T, Amato T, Evslin L, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Kusch M, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Olds I, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Souza K, Takayama G, Takenouchi J, Tam A, Todd C, Woodson J

Establishes provisions relating to rural emergency hospitals; licensing. Requires the department of health to license a hospital as a rural emergency hospital under certain conditions. Requires the continuation of medicaid policy protections for hospitals transitioning to a rural emergency hospital designation. -- Amends provisions relating to medicaid reimbursement equity. -- HB1179 HD1

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HB1185 HD2 (HSCR 610)

### RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

Introduced by: Kusch M, Amato T, Evslin L, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, Lee M, Lowen N, Marten L, Miyake T, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Souza K, Tarnas D, Todd C

Establishes within the university of Hawaii at Manoa college of tropical agriculture and human resilience a plant-based building materials working group to study and report on how best to grow plants and develop plant-based building materials in Hawaii, including for the provision of green agricultural jobs in Hawaii and the sequestration of carbon and greenhouse gases to help the State meet its net negative carbon and greenhouse gas goals. -- Requires the working group to submit to the legislature: an interim report regarding the progress of its work no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026; and a final report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2027 (report to the legislature). Requires the working group to be dissolved on June 30, 2027 (sunset). -- Appropriation to the university of Hawaii to support the work of the plant-based building materials working group established pursuant to this provision (\$\$). -- HB1185 HD2

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HB1187 HD1 (HSCR 393)

### RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.

Introduced by: Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Amato T, Kila D

Establishes provisions relating to lei and flowers. Requires for each of the following time periods, each state department or administratively attached agency to purchase no more than the following percentage of lei or flowers that contain plant material grown and harvested outside the state: from January 1, 2030, to December 31, 2044: 90 per cent; from January 1, 2045, to December 31, 2054: 50 per cent; and from January 1, 2055, to December 31, 2064: 25 per cent. Requires beginning January 1, 2065, no state department or administratively attached agency to purchase any lei or flowers that contain plant material grown and harvested outside the state. -- HB1187 HD1

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HB1194 HD2 (HSCR 1168)

### RELATING TO MIDWIVES.

Introduced by: Ichiyama L, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Takayama G

Establishes provisions relating to scope of practice of midwifery under midwives law. Provides that the scope of practice of midwifery means the full practice of midwifery, regardless of compensation or personal profit, as determined by the director, rules adopted by the director, and midwifery standards established or recognized by the

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director pursuant to this law. Requires the scope of practice of midwifery to be based on and be consistent with a midwife's education and national certification, including specified practices. -- Establishes provisions relating to care provided by midwives; requirements; license renewal continuing education requirement; global signature authority; prescriptive authority; reporting requirements; peer review requirements; license renewal; data submission requirements; license renewal. -- Amends provisions relating to repeal dates for newly enacted professional and vocational regulatory programs under Hawaii regulatory licensing reform act law; definitions under uniform controlled substances act law; definitions under medicine and surgery law; findings and purpose under midwives law; definitions; exemptions; application for license as a midwife; renewals; authority to purchase and administer certain legend drugs and devices; grounds for refusal to grant, renew, reinstate, or restore licenses and for revocation, suspension, denial, or condition of licenses; definitions under medical torts law. Makes laws regulating midwives and the practice of midwifery permanent. Establishes licensure requirements for certified midwives and certified professional midwives. Establishes continuing education requirements. Grants global signature authority to midwives. Grants prescriptive authority to licensed midwives practicing as certified midwives and amends the list of approved legend drugs that may be administered by midwives. Establishes peer review and data submission requirements. Affirms that the practice of midwifery does not include Native Hawaiian traditional and customary practices. Clarifies exemptions from licensure and grounds for refusal to grant, renew, reinstate, or restore licenses or for revocation, suspension, denial or condition of a license. Clarifies medical record availability and retention requirements for the purposes of medical torts. -- HB1194 HD2  
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### HB1220 HD1 (HSCR 302)

#### RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES.

Introduced by: Lee M, Grandinetti T, Hashem M, Hussey I, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Kusch M, Lamosao R, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Matsumoto L, Olds I, Poepoe M, Souza K, Takayama G, Tam A, Tarnas D, Todd C  
Appropriation to the department of land and natural resources to support the division of aquatic resources in removing majano anemone from Kaneohe Bay, including personnel, materials and equipment, data management and analysis, and outreach and community engagement. (\$\$) -- HB1220 HD1  
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### HB1231 HD1 (HSCR 704)

#### RELATING TO TRAFFIC SAFETY.

Introduced by: La Chica T, Alcos III D, Amato T, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, Kusch M, Lee M, Matsumoto L, Miyake T, Olds I, Perruso A, Pierick E, Quinlan S, Tam A, Todd C  
Amends provisions relating to safe routes to school program special fund; establishment; and penalties; photo red light imaging detector system fines; automated speed enforcement system fines. Requires a certain percentage of fines collected for a violation of provisions relating to traffic-control signal legend pursuant to the photo red light imaging detector system installed in a school zone to be deposited into the safe routes to school program special fund. -- Amends provisions relating to county powers and duties by changing its title to state and county powers and duties. Requires the state to prioritize the installation of photo red light imaging detector systems in school zones if the state establishes a photo red light imaging detector system. Requires the department of transportation to consult with the department of education in determining which school zones to install a photo red light imaging system. -- HB1231 HD1  
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### HB1234 HD1 (HSCR 757)

#### RELATING TO WATER SAFETY.

Introduced by: Kapela J, Amato T, Evslin L, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Kusch M, Lee M, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Olds I, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Souza K, Tam A, Tarnas D, Todd C  
Requires the department of education to establish a standards based water safety education pilot program at an elementary school that is within 1.5 miles of a swimming pool. Requires the department of education to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026. Report to the legislature. Appropriation to the department of education for the department of education to establish

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the standards based water safety education pilot program (\$\$). -- HB1234 HD1  
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HB1237 HD1 (HSCR 636)

### RELATING TO BIOSECURITY.

Introduced by: Poepoe M, Amato T, Iwamoto K, Kila D, Lamosao R, Miyake T, Perruso A, Souza K, Takenouchi J, Todd C

Appropriation to the department of agriculture to prevent and control little fire ant and coconut rhinoceros beetle infestation in Maui county, including through the hiring of general professionals for biosecurity efforts; to combat the spread of coqui frogs in Maui county. Allows the department to make grants to or enter into contracts with the university of Hawaii Pacific cooperative studies unit for the Maui invasive species committee or its Molokai subcommittees. (\$\$) -- HB1237 HD1

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HB1259 HD1 (HSCR 372)

### RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

Introduced by: Todd C, Evslin L, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Kusch M, Lee M, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Matsumoto L, Miyake T, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Takenouchi J, Tam A

Amends provisions relating to speed limits; factors to consider. Requires the department of transportation or a county to consider the following factors when setting a maximum speed limit pursuant to provision relating to noncompliance with speed limit prohibited: an engineering study conducted for the road whose maximum speed limit is being set, which shall include an analysis of the current speed distribution of free-flowing vehicles; provided that this provision shall not apply when the department of transportation or any county reduces a maximum speed limit within: 1 mile of a school; and 10 miles per hour of the current speed limit for that road; and: any other factors prescribed by the Federal Highway Administration's Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, as amended . -- HB1259 HD1

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HB1260 HD1 (HSCR 708)

### RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

Introduced by: Todd C

Requires each county to, in collaboration with the department of transportation, establish a summer streets pilot program that temporarily closes vehicular traffic and repurposes roads for pedestrian and cyclist use, outdoor events, temporary installations, and other community-driven activities. Requires that in developing the summer streets pilot program, a county to identify and designate specific streets for pedestrianization, prioritizing areas that will best benefit from reduced vehicular traffic, and which are central to local commerce, cultural activities, and community engagement. Requires the summer streets pilot program to support sustainable transportation options, including the provision of bike lanes and enhanced pedestrian pathways. Requires each county to submit initial proposals for the summer street pilot program, including locations, schedule for road closures, the types of activities and amenities to be provided, and a breakdown of projected costs to the director of transportation no later than December 31, 2025. Requires the department of transportation to, in consultation with each county, submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 30 days prior to the convening of each regular session. Requires the reports to include, at a minimum: the benefits and disadvantages of this act; data on traffic accidents as a result of this Act, or the absence thereof; pedestrian related data; and feedback from participating counties and businesses, law enforcement agencies, and other applicable partners. Defines to mean a county of the state with a population of 250,000 or less, except the county of Kalawao. -- Appropriation to the department of transportation to allocate to each county for the summer streets pilot program required by this act. (Report to Legislature) (\$\$) -- HB1260 HD1

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HB1277 HD2 (HSCR 1059)

### RELATING TO DIGITAL FINANCIAL ASSET.

Introduced by: Takenouchi J, Chun C, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, Kusch M, Lamosao R, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Poepoe M

Establishes provisions relating to digital financial asset transaction kiosks; daily cap. Requires an operator to accept or dispense no more than 1,000 dollars per day on

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transactions through a digital financial asset transaction kiosk. -- HB1277 HD2  
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HB1278 HD2 (HSCR 1157)

### RELATING TO HAZARDOUS TREE REMOVAL.

Introduced by: Takenouchi J, Evslin L, Garrett A, Kahaloa K, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kitagawa L, Kusch M, Lee M, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Tarnas D, Todd C

Appropriation to the department of land and natural resources for the division of forestry and wildlife of the department to assess and remove hazardous trees on state lands across Hawaii. (\$\$) -- HB1278 HD2

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HB1283 HD2 (HSCR 1070)

### RELATING TO FAMILY.

Introduced by: Lamosao R, Amato T, Evslin L, Garrett A, Holt D, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Lee M, Marten L, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Souza K, Takenouchi J, Tarnas D

Establishes provisions relating to domestic abuse; exemption from mediation in paternity proceedings. Prohibits the court to require mediation in paternity proceedings where there are allegations of domestic abuse. Allows the court to order mediation under certain circumstances. -- Amends provisions relating to battered spouses by changing its title to domestic abuse; exemption from mediation in divorce proceedings. -- HB1283 HD2

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HB1291 HD2 (HSCR 786)

### RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

Introduced by: Kahaloa K, Amato T, Kila D, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Marten L, Perruso A, Templo S

Amends provisions relating to false labeling of Hawaii-grown coffee. Provides that a person commits the offense of false labeling of Hawaii grown coffee if the person knowingly transports, distributes, advertises, sells, or possesses with the intent to sell Hawaii-grown green coffee, cherry coffee, parchment coffee, or roasted coffee that is falsely labeled with regard to the geographic origin of the Hawaii-grown coffee. Defines roasted coffee to mean a product that results from heating the cherry coffee seeds to augment aroma and flavor. Provides that false labeling of a Hawaii-grown coffee is a class C felony. -- HB1291 HD2

Current Status: Feb=28 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
Mar=04 25 Single Referral to CPN

HB1293 HD2 (HSCR 1026)

### RELATING TO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PROCUREMENT.

Introduced by: Kahaloa K, Amato T, Belatti D, Evslin L, Garcia D, Garrett A, Iwamoto K, Kila D, Lamosao R, Marten L, Perruso A, Tarnas D

Establishes provisions relating to local edible produce and packaged food products procurement; small purchases. Requires notwithstanding provision relating to small purchases; prohibition against parceling, and any other law to the contrary, procurements of less than \_\_\_\_\_ dollars for local edible produce and packaged food products for the department to be exempt from the requirement to conduct procurements through an electronic system and shall instead be subject to no less than 3 written quotes for procurements of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars to less than \_\_\_\_\_ dollars; provided that the department may allow for no less than 2 written quotes for procurements of \_\_\_\_\_ dollars to less than \_\_\_\_\_ dollars for local edible produce and packaged food products to supply schools in rural communities, as determined by the department; provided further that if the department is unable to receive the required number of written notifications as required by this provision, written justification shall be provided and kept by the department. Requires this act to take effect on July 1, 3000, and shall be repealed on June 30, 2028. (sunset) -- HB1293 HD2

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HB1294 HD2 (HSCR 1039)

### RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL WORKFORCE HOUSING.

Introduced by: Kahaloa K

Establishes an agricultural workforce housing working group within the department of agriculture for administrative purposes to address the shortage and challenges of

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agricultural workforce housing in the state. Requires the working group to determine the specific housing needs of each agricultural workforce within each county; and existing government resources available for adaptive reuse into agricultural workforce housing; assess existing laws, policies, and procedures that would allow the construction of workforce housing near agricultural zones; or with agricultural facilities in mixed-use developmental zones; consider any revisions necessary to existing zoning and land use policies that would allow the construction of workforce housing near agricultural zones; or with agricultural facilities in mixed-use developmental zones; explore partnerships with private and public entities to construct agricultural workforce housing projects; identify any financial incentives, such as tax credit programs for agricultural employers who invest in housing solutions for their workforce, that would support the construction of agricultural workforce housing projects in the State; and study the feasibility of implementing a state income tax credit to investors who incur costs to construct, install, acquire, or rehabilitate agricultural workforce housing in the State. Report to the legislature. Requires the working group to be dissolved on June 30, 2028 (sunset). -- Appropriation to the department of agriculture for the agricultural workforce housing working group established in this Act to gather the necessary data and prepare the required reports, including any consultation fees and related expenses. (\$\$) -- HB1294 HD2

Current Status: Mar=06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB1295 HD2 (HSCR 1016)

### RELATING TO CLEAN ENERGY.

Introduced by: Yamashita K

Requires all state and county agencies beginning on July 1, 2025 to utilize applicable federal clean energy tax credits under the elective pay, also known as direct pay, provisions of the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022, Pub. L. 117 169, 136 Stat. 1818, as amended, for the purchase or financing of capital improvement projects that utilize clean energy technology, as defined in public benefits fee authorization law; and vehicles that qualify as 0 emission vehicles, as defined in title 40 Code of Federal Regulations section 88.1. -- HB1295 HD2

Current Status: Mar=06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB1296 HD1 (HSCR 770)

### RELATING TO THE MAJOR DISASTER FUND.

Introduced by: Yamashita K

Amends provisions relating to major disaster fund. Requires the governor to provide a timely notice to the legislature regarding the transfer of appropriations to the major disaster fund. Establishes reporting requirements. -- Requires the department of budget and finance to submit a report to the legislature containing the information specified in this Act for each appropriation, transfer, reimbursement, and subsequent use of funds from August 8, 2023, through \_\_\_\_ no later than \_\_\_\_\_. (Report to the legislature). Requires the governor to submit to the legislature a summary report containing the information specified in this Act for each use of this authority for the previous 12 month period from December 1, to November 30 of each year no later than 30 days prior to the convening of the regular sessions of 2026 and 2027. (Report to the legislature). -- HB1296 HD1

Current Status: Mar=04 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB1297 HD1 (HSCR 994)

### RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.

Introduced by: Yamashita K

Amends provisions relating to authority to resolve protested solicitations and awards. Allows any actual or prospective bidder, offeror, or contractor who is aggrieved in connection with the solicitation or award of a contract to protest to the chief procurement officer or a designee as specified in the solicitation. Requires except as provided in provisions relating to competitive sealed proposals and procurement of professional services, a protest to be submitted in writing within 5 working days after the aggrieved person knows or should have known of the facts giving rise to the protest; provided that a protest of an award or proposed award shall in any event be submitted in writing within 5 working days after the posting of award of the contract under provisions relating to competitive sealed bidding or competitive sealed proposals, if no request for debriefing has been made, as applicable; provided further that no protest based upon the content of the solicitation shall be considered unless it is submitted in writing at least 24 hours prior to the date and time set for the receipt of offers. -- Amends provisions relating to

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administrative proceedings for review. Requires the party initiating a proceeding falling within this provision to pay to the department of commerce and consumer affairs a cash or protest bond in the amount of 1 per cent of the estimated value of the contract; provided that the amount of the bond shall not exceed \_\_\_\_\_ dollars. -- HB1297 HD1  
Current Status: Mar=06 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB1298 HD3 (HSCR 1040)

### RELATING TO HOUSING.

Introduced by: Yamashita K

Establishes provisions relating to government employee housing. Establishes provisions relating to annual reports. Report to the legislature. -- Establishes provisions relating to additional powers; rules. -- Establishes provisions relating to government employee housing revolving fund program. Establishes a government employee housing revolving fund. Requires the proceeds in the revolving fund to be used for the necessary expenses in administering government employee housing development programs and infrastructure programs on state lands and for carrying out the purposes of government employee housing development and infrastructure programs, including but not limited to the expansion of community facilities and infrastructure constructed in conjunction with government employee housing and mixed-use transit-oriented development projects on state lands; interim and permanent primary or secondary financing and supplementing building costs; and federal guarantees required for operational losses, and all things required by any federal agency in the construction and receipt of federal funds or low-income housing tax credits for state employee housing projects. -- Establishes provisions relating to eligible applicants for funds; and eligible projects. -- Establishes provisions relating to government employee 99 year leasehold rent-to-own program. Establishes the government employee 99 year leasehold rent-to-own program for the purpose of providing low-cost, leasehold residential condominium units for rent and subsequent sale to government employees on state-owned lands within a transit-oriented development site. Provides that under the program, dwelling units that are for sale may be rented to program participants, and the corporation may credit a portion of the rent received toward the purchase of the unit. -- Establishes provisions relating to leasehold condominiums on state lands; rules; guidelines; sale of the leasehold interest of residential condominium units; rules; guidelines; use of public lands; acquisition of state lands; acquisition of real property from a county; condemnation of real property; construction contracts; lease of projects; assistance by state and county agencies; lands no longer needed. -- Amends provisions relating to applicability and exemptions. -- Appropriation out of the dwelling unit revolving fund to the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation for the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation to; adopt rules; engage the community; and conduct site and pre-development planning for at least 1 government employee rental or 99 year leasehold rent-to-own project in each county. -- Appropriation out of the dwelling unit revolving fund to the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation for the establishment of \_\_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) positions within the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation. (\$\$) -- HB1298 HD3

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HB1300 HD1 (HSCR 186)

### RELATING TO CANCER.

Introduced by: Kila D, Chun C, Garrett A, Kahaloa K, Lamosao R, Quinlan S

Appropriation to the university of Hawaii for the cancer center to conduct a multiethnic cohort study focusing on the social determinants of health, lifestyles, environmental exposures, and resilience factors of native Hawaiians, Pacific Islanders, and Filipinos, including an analysis of the health effects and risks of individuals living in close proximity to landfills in Nanakuli, Oahu. Provided that the analysis utilize water and soil sample data from the department of health and other agencies. Requires the university of Hawaii cancer center to seek federal funding and complete the multiethnic cohort study. (\$\$) -- HB1300 HD1

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Mar=04 25 Multiple Referral to HRE then WAM

HB1307 HD2 (HSCR 721)

### RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS.

Introduced by: Holt D, Evslin L, Kahaloa K, Kusch M, Lamosao R, Lee M, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Souza K, Tarnas D

Appropriation to the department of Hawaiian home lands to fund water well development for geophysical investigation, exploration, and identification of geothermal resources on



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Hawaiian home lands. (\$\$) -- HB1307 HD2

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HB1308 HD3 (HSCR 1167)

RELATING TO SPORTS WAGERING.

Introduced by: Holt D, Kila D, Todd C

Establishes the regulation of sports wagering law. Establishes provisions relating to authorization of sports wagering; license required; rules; emergency rules. Requires sports wagering and ancillary activities to be lawful when conducted in accordance with this law and the rules adopted under this law. Prohibits a person or entity to engage in any activities in the State that require a license under this law unless all necessary licenses have been obtained under this law and rules adopted under this law. -- Establishes provisions relating to application; criminal history record check. Requires an application for a license or for renewal of a license required under this law to be submitted on an application form as prescribed by the department of commerce and consumer affairs. -- Establishes provisions relating to denial of license; reprimand, suspension, and revocation; sports wagering operator license; issuance; fees; term of license; temporary license; sports wagering supplier license; issuance; fees; term of license; temporary license; sports wagering operator; house rules; sports wagering operator; duties; sports wagering agreements; acceptance of wagers; sports wagering accounts; excluded persons; sports wagering revenues; tax; problem gambling prevention and treatment special fund; civil violation; unlicensed sports wagering; penalties; exemption from gambling. -- Amends provisions relating to imposition of tax under general excise tax law; definitions of terms in this part under offenses against public health and morals law. Redefines contest of chance to not include sports wagering under this law or fantasy sports contests. Redefines gambling to not include sports wagering activities under this law and placing wagers on wagering events or portions of wagering events, the individual performance statistics of individuals in wagering events, or any combination thereof, by any system or method of wagering under this law; and fantasy sports contests. -- Amends provisions relating to criminal history record checks. -- HB1308 HD3

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HB1316 HD2 (HSCR 679)

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES.

Introduced by: Evslin L, Nakamura N

Establishes provisions relating to registration required for rental vessels; registration number; fees. Requires beginning January 1, 2026, no person to rent or lease or offer for rent or lease, a rental vessel to the public for transiting the navigable waters of a state park, unless the rental vessel is registered and numbered with the division of state parks of the department in accordance with rules adopted by the department pursuant to administrative procedure law or authorized by a special use permit. Requires beginning January 1, 2026, every rental vessel rented or leased, or offered for rent or lease, to the public for transiting the navigable waters of a state park to have a registration number affixed to the rental vessel. Allows the department to adopt rules pursuant to administrative procedure law to establish conditions of use for rental vessels transiting the navigable waters of a state park and reasonable fees for the initial registration, annual renewal registration, and ancillary decals of those rental vessels, to be deposited to the credit of the State Parks Special Fund. Defines vessel has the same meaning as in provision relating to limitation of private use of ocean waters and navigable streams and includes but is not limited to barges, boats, canoes, catamarans, charter boats, cruisers, ferryboats, fishing boats, flatboats, floating cabanas, houseboats, jet skis, kayaks, motor vessels, motorboats, party boats, powerboats, rafts, rowboats, sailboats, scows, ships, stand-up paddleboards, towboats, tugs, windsurfers, or any similar buoyant devices permitting or capable of free flotation. -- Amends provisions relating to state parks special fund. Establishes within the state treasury a fund to be known as the state parks special fund, into which shall be deposited all proceeds collected by the state parks programs involving park user fees, any leases or concession agreements, any fees collected pursuant to provision relating to state parks and recreation areas, the sale of any article purchased from the department to benefit the state parks programs, or any gifts or contributions; provided that proceeds derived from the operation of Iolani Palace shall be used to supplement its educational and interpretive programs. -- HB1316 HD2

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HB1320 HD1 (HSCR 184)

### RELATING TO EDUCATION.

Introduced by: Garrett A, Amato T, Belatti D, Iwamoto K, Kila D, Lamosao R, Marten L, Miyake T, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Tarnas D

Establishes provisions relating to graduate outcomes; data collection and reporting requirements. Requires the university of Hawaii system to collect, analyze, and publicly report certain data on graduate outcomes. -- Establishes provisions relating to graduate outcomes dashboard. Requires the university of hawaii system to develop and maintain a centralized graduate outcomes dashboard on a publicly available website that presents the university's graduate outcome data collected. -- Establishes provisions relating to reporting requirements. Requires the university of hawaii system's office of the vice president for academic strategy to submit a report to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session, beginning with the regular session of 2027. (Report to the legislature). Establishes criteria for the report. -- Appropriation to the university of hawaii system for the development and maintenance of a graduate outcomes dashboard, including the establishment of the following positions within the office of the vice president for academic strategy; \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) position focused on post-graduation workforce outcomes; and \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) position focused on data visualization. -- Requires the university of hawaii system to begin collecting data as required by this Act no later than 1 year after the effective date of this Act; provided that the graduate outcomes dashboard as required by this Act shall be made publicly available no later than 2 years after the effective date of this Act. (\$\$) -- HB1320 HD1

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HB1325 HD3 (HSCR 1065)

### RELATING TO HOUSING.

Introduced by: Grandinetti T, Amato T, Evslin L, Hussey I, Iwamoto K, Perruso A  
Amends provisions relating to housing development; exemption from statutes, ordinances, charter provisions, and rules. Requires if the proposed housing project will result in the displacement or eviction of tenant households living in units whose value is affordable to families earning 140 per cent or below of the applicable area median income, the developer of the proposed housing project to: offer the displaced or evicted tenants the right of 1st refusal for a comparable unit available in the proposed housing project at a rate no greater than the amount the tenant was paying in the existing development, subject to inflation, or establish a fund and create a relocation program to provide relocation benefits and offer assistance to the displaced or evicted tenants; provided that if the developer opts to provide relocation benefits, the displaced or evicted tenant may choose to receive either 3 separate payments with each payment equal to no less than 1 month's rent in a comparable unit or a lump sum equal to no less than 3 month's rent; provided further that relocation benefits may be provided either as a rent waiver or as a direct cash payment; provide, either directly or through a contracted service, information to the displaced or evicted tenants on how to obtain relocation assistance, and how to exercise their right of 1st refusal upon completion of the proposed housing project; and establish procedures to track and maintain communications with the displaced or evicted tenants; provided that communication under this clause shall commence 120 days before to the developer sends the notice to vacate and shall last throughout completion of the proposed housing project, at which time the developer shall offer and implement the right of 1st refusal to the displaced or evicted tenants, if that option is chosen by the developer under this provision. Provides that communication required under this clause shall end only when all displaced or evicted tenants have either declined to exercise or have exercised the right of 1st refusal; provided that for projects developed under federal programs for affordable housing that offer relocation payments and other relocation assistance to displaced and evicted tenants, the federal regulations that offer greater protections to tenants shall control. Requires nothing in this provision to be construed to confer less protection to displaced or evicted tenants than that which is currently available under federal or state law, regulations, or rules. Provides that if a developer fails to comply with the requirements in this provision, the corporation shall: delay or fail threshold review of the developer's application for funding; halt relocation until non-compliance is cured; withhold disbursements of program funds until non-compliance is cured; or deem the developer ineligible to participate in all corporation programs for no less than 1 year. -- HB1325 HD3

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HB1334 HD3 (HSCR 1076)

### RELATING TO MEAT DONATION.

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Introduced by: Miyake T, Cochran E, Kila D, Kusch M, Lamosao R, Souza K, Takayama G, Tam A, Tarnas D

Establishes provisions relating to further exemptions; food donations; wild game. Prohibits this law to apply to the slaughtering of wild game or the preparation and transportation of the carcasses, parts thereof, and meat or meat products at establishments conducting these operations if the articles are wild game exclusively to be donated by a hunter for the use or distribution by a charitable, religious, or nonprofit organization to needy persons pursuant to donation of food law; provided that the wild game shall not be combined with a meat food product regulated under the Federal Meat Inspection Act, title 21 United States Code provision 601 et seq., or a poultry product regulated under the federal Poultry Products Inspection Act, title 21 United States Code provision 451 et seq.; provided further that the transportation of wild game shall be limited to moving the wild game to and from the premises where the hunter killed the wild game, the processing establishment, and the charitable, religious, or nonprofit organization. Defines wild game to mean a member of a species of game not indigenous to the state, including axis deer that is used for food, that is not domesticated, and that is harvested in the wild. Defines wild game to include carcasses, parts thereof, and meat or meat products derived from wild game. -- Amends provisions relating to reserving the state's authority to regulate, inspect, or ban the use of donated food. Establishes that nothing in this law or provision relating to Hawaii Meat Inspection Act, is intended to restrict the authority of the department of health or the department of agriculture to regulate, inspect, or ban the use of donated foods for human consumption. -- Amends provisions relating to exemptions. Provides that transportation by commercial carrier of carcasses, parts thereof, or meat or meat products produced without inspection under this provision shall be prohibited, except under permit issued by the board and under Hawaii meat inspection act law. -- Amends provisions relating to prohibitions. Provides that notwithstanding Hawaii meat inspection act law, the preparation, sale, offering for sale, or transportation or receipt for transportation in intrastate commerce of meat and meat products derived from exotic animals, unless inspected and passed as provided for under this part, shall be prohibited. Requires violators to be subject to all requirements and penalties of this law. -- HB1334 HD3

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### HB1337 HD1 (HSCR 193)

#### RELATING TO ENDEMIC PLANTS.

Introduced by: Keohokapu-Lee Loy S

Requires the university of Hawaii at Manoa college of tropical agriculture and human resilience to establish an endemic plant seed bank pilot program. Requires the pilot program to focus on the development of a seed bank to preserve and promote the planting of plant species that are endemic to Hawaii. Requires the university of Hawaii at Manoa college of tropical agriculture and human resilience to submit a report on its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2027 (report to the legislature). Requires the pilot program to end on June 30, 2027 (sunset). -- HB1337 HD1

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### HB1343 HD1 (HSCR 581)

#### RELATING TO EDUCATION.

Introduced by: Woodson J, Amato T, Chun C, Evslin L, Garcia D, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Holt D, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Kusch M, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Matsumoto L, Morikawa D, Olds I, Perruso A, Pierick E, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Sayama J, Souza K, Takayama G, Tarnas D, Templo S, Todd C, Ward G

Establishes provisions relating to phone-and-related-devices-free, bell-to-bell policy. Requires the board of education to establish a phone-and-related-devices-free, bell-to-bell policy for public schools to be implemented beginning with the 2025-2026 school year; provided that the policy may be implemented in phases for each school level. -- HB1343 HD1

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### HB1345 HD1 (HSCR 437)

#### RELATING TO TEACHER EDUCATION.

Introduced by: Woodson J, Amato T, Cochran E, Grandinetti T, Kila D, Kusch M, Lamosao R, Lowen N, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Reyes Oda J, Souza K, Tam A, Tarnas D

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Establishes provisions relating to tuition waiver; student teaching hours; resident students. Requires the board of regents to grant a waiver on all tuition and mandatory fees for a resident student enrolled in a 4-year college campus of the university of Hawaii at Manoa with an education program or that offers an education degree for the semester or term that the resident student chooses to complete the student teaching requirement necessary to earn a degree in education. Requires the university to adopt rules pursuant to administrative procedure law necessary to implement this provision; provided that the student is: enrolled as a full-time student in good academic standing in the applicable education program of the four-year college; enrolled in a degree program that: Results in a degree in education; and requires the completion of student teaching hours; and currently enrolled in a state-approved teacher education program. Requires the university to adopt rules pursuant to administrative procedure law necessary to implement this provision. -- HB1345 HD1

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HB1348 HD2 (HSCR 1087)

RELATING TO PUBLIC LANDS.

Introduced by: Morikawa D, Evslin L, Iwamoto K, Lamosao R, Miyake T, Nakamura N  
Establishes provisions relating to definitions under public lands, management and disposition of law. Defines good standing to mean the status of a lessee being in full compliance with the lessee's obligations under the lease. -- Amends provisions relating to lease for recreation-residence use. Requires the board of land and natural resources to lease lands for recreational-residential use by public lottery under certain requirements. Allows the board of land and natural resources to restrict participation in the public lottery to residents of the same county in which the land to be leased is located. -- HB1348 HD2

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HB1349 HD1 (HSCR 413)

RELATING TO MEDICAID.

Introduced by: Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Amato T, Marten L, Takayama G  
Appropriation to the department of human services to provide medicaid coverage through the children's health insurance program for income qualified pregnant persons and children who are otherwise ineligible due to their immigration status. (\$\$) -- HB1349 HD1

Current Status: Mar=04 25 Introduction/Passed First Reading - Senate  
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HB1358 HD3 (HSCR 1158)

RELATING TO THE PUBLIC LAND TRUST WORKING GROUP.

Introduced by: Souza K, Amato T, Belatti D, Holt D, Kapela J, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Marten L, Miyake T, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Tarnas D, Templo S  
Appropriation to the office of Hawaiian affairs for the hiring of necessary staff and the purchase of equipment and professional services on behalf of the public land trust working group; provided that in obtaining services by uniquely qualified persons, the office of Hawaiian affairs shall be exempt from the Hawaii Public Procurement Code. (\$\$)  
-- HB1358 HD3

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HB1359 HD1 (HSCR 718)

RELATING TO FLOOD MITIGATION.

Introduced by: Templo S

Establishes provisions relating to residential drainage systems and flooding mitigation and assistance grant program under flood control and flood water conservation law. -- Establishes provisions relating to residential flood mitigation and assistance grant program; established. Requires the board of land and natural resources to establish a grant program to support counties and communities in maintaining, repairing, and improving drainage systems in residential areas; and assist eligible homeowners to implement flood mitigation measures. -- Establishes provisions relating to residential drainage system grants; eligibility. -- Establishes provisions relating to residential flood mitigation assistance grants; eligibility. Allows the board of land and natural resources to award grants to eligible homeowners to implement flood mitigation measures. -- Establishes provisions relating to public education and resources. Requires the board to develop and distribute educational materials on residential flood prevention and mitigation strategies. -- Requires the board of land and natural resources to submit an annual report to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session. (Report to the legislature). Establishes requirements for the reports. --

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Appropriation to the department of land and natural resources to implement the grant program established by this Act. (\$\$) -- HB1359 HD1

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HB1365 HD2 (HSCR 1017)

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

Introduced by: Todd C, Kahaloa K, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S

Provides that any non potable water well or improvement on individual parcels at Panaewa agricultural park and Panaewa farm lots, under the department of agriculture, that is completed according to the environmental impact statement or environmental assessment under this Act shall revert back to the State upon the lease expiration date.

Appropriation. (\$\$) -- HB1365 HD2

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HB1369 HD1 (HSCR 1003)

RELATING TO TAXATION.

Introduced by: Yamashita K

Amends provisions relating to conformance to the federal Internal Revenue Code; general application under income tax law; important agricultural land qualified agricultural cost tax credit; tax on written real property leases; deduction allowed under general excise tax law; conformity to constitution, etc.; amounts not taxable; additional amounts not taxable; exemptions of sales and gross proceeds of sales to federal government, and credit unions; exemption for sales of tangible personal property shipped out of the State; definitions, generally under use tax law; application of tax, etc.; use of corporate equity under limited-equity housing cooperatives law. -- Repeals provisions relating to state general excise exemptions under state enterprise zones law; capital goods excise tax credit; renewable fuels production tax credit; exemption of certain convention, conference, and trade show fees; additional exemptions; aircraft service and maintenance facility; exemption of certain petroleum refiners; air pollution control facility; exemption of certain shipbuilding and ship repair business; capital goods excise tax credit under taxation of banks and other financial corporations law. Repeals certain credits, deductions, and exemptions under the income tax, general excise tax, and use tax laws.

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HB1370 HD1 (HSCR 442)

RELATING TO TAXATION.

Introduced by: Yamashita K

Amends provisions relating to definitions under liquor tax law. Amends the definition of draft beer to mean beer in an individual container of 5 gallons or more. -- HB1370 HD1

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HB1378 HD2 (HSCR 1007)

RELATING TO THE STATE FOUNDATION ON CULTURE AND THE ARTS.

Introduced by: Kapela J

Establishes provisions relating to performing arts grants program. Establishes a performing arts grants program to be placed in the foundation for administrative purposes, to provide grants for the coordination, planning, promotion, marketing, and execution of performing arts events. Requires the foundation to submit an annual report of performing arts grants awarded and the outcomes of each performing arts event that received a grant to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026 and every regular session thereafter. Report to the legislature.

-- Establishes provisions relating to performing arts grant special fund within the state treasury to be administered by the foundation. Requires the revenues of the special fund to consist of appropriations made by the legislature; revenues or moneys derived from the foundation's operations; grants, gifts, and donations received by the foundation; and all interest earned on moneys deposited in the fund. Requires the special fund to be used for the coordination, planning, promotion, marketing, and execution of performing arts events. -- Amends provisions relating to definitions under foundation on culture and the arts law. Defines performing arts. Amends the definition of arts to include performing arts. -- Amends provisions relating to purpose by adding the coordinating, planning, promoting, marketing, and executing performing arts events to the responsibilities of the state foundation on culture and the arts. -- Amends provisions relating to state art museum; establishment. Amends the funding sources for the state art museum. -- Amends provisions relating to works of art special fund. Amends the amounts required

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to be transferred by agencies into the works of art special fund; and the uses of the special fund. -- Appropriation to the state foundation on culture and the arts to provide grants under the performing arts grants program. (\$\$) -- HB1378 HD2  
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HB1379 HD2 (HSCR 1041)

### RELATING TO HEALTH.

Introduced by: Lee M, Kahaloa K, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Marten L, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Takayama G, Tarnas D  
Amends provisions relating to foreign medical graduates; alternative qualifications. Allows notwithstanding provision relating to qualifications for examination and licensure, a graduate of a foreign medical school to be licensed by the Hawaii medical board under this provision if the graduate: passed the Federation Licensing Examination (FLEX) or the United States Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE), or a combination of these examinations as approved by the board, with scores deemed satisfactory to the board, passed the qualifying examination of the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates, and has at least 3 years of medical training or experience in a hospital approved by the Council on Medical Education and Hospitals of the American Medical Association for internship or residency; or passed the Federation Licensing Examination (FLEX) or the United States Medical Licensing Examination (USMLE), or a combination of these examinations as approved by the board, with scores deemed satisfactory to the board, possesses an Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates certificate, and has successfully completed 2 years of post-graduate medical training in an Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education or American Osteopathic Association approved or Canadian program that has been accredited for resident training by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, or by the College of Family Physicians of Canada; provided that if the post-graduate medical training involves a subspecialty clinical fellowship program, the board may accept post-graduate medical training in a hospital that has an Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education or American Osteopathic Association or accredited Canadian post graduate medical training program in the parent specialty. -- HB1379 HD2  
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HB1382 HD1 (HSCR 264)

### RELATING TO CHILD WELFARE SERVICES.

Introduced by: Marten L, Amato T, Chun C, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Lamosao R, Matayoshi S, Miyake T, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Souza K, Takayama G, Tam A, Tarnas D, Templo S  
Appropriation to the department of human services to contract with a non profit specializing in domestic violence to provide training and staff to be housed on site in child welfare services branch offices to support all aspects of screening for and addressing domestic violence within a case. (\$\$) -- HB1382 HD1  
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HB1389 HD1 (HSCR 450)

### RELATING TO FERAL ANIMALS.

Introduced by: Sayama J, Chun C, Grandinetti T, Holt D, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Lamosao R, Lee M, Marten L, Matayoshi S, Takayama G, Tarnas D, Templo S  
Appropriation to the department of customer services of the city and county of Honolulu as a grant in aid for the expansion of the feral chicken program. -- Appropriation to the vector control branch of the department of health for a statewide education campaign to provide the public with information on the feeding of feral animals. (\$\$) -- HB1389 HD1  
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HB1391 HD1 (HSCR 298)

### RELATING TO TRADE.

Introduced by: Quinlan S  
Establishes within the department, for administrative purposes only, the Hawaii-Ireland trade commission. Requires each member to be appointed for a 4-year term; provided that each member shall hold office until reappointed by the member's respective appointing authority at the end of the member's term or until the member's successor is appointed. Requires any vacancy to be filled by the respective appointing authority. Requires all initial appointments to be made no later than October 1, 2025. Requires the members of the commission shall elect a chairperson and vice chairperson from among themselves. Requires any action taken by the commission to be approved by a simple

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majority of its members. Requires a majority of the members of the commission to constitute a quorum to do business. Requires beginning with the regular session of 2027, no later than 20 days before the convening of each regular session, the commission to submit to the legislature and governor a report of its work during the previous year. Requires the members of the commission to serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses, including travel, reasonably incurred in the performance of their official duties. Allows the commission to adopt rules pursuant to administrative procedure law to implement this provision. Defines commission to mean the Hawaii-Ireland trade commission. (Report to Legislature) -- HB1391 HD1

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### HB1405 HD1 (HSCR 493)

#### RELATING TO PERMITS.

Introduced by: Ilagan G, Holt D, Hussey I, Matsumoto L, Tam A, Templo S, Todd C  
Amends provisions relating to facilitated application process. Provides that state agencies are requires, and county agencies are authorized and encouraged, to participate in the facilitated application process set forth herein. Requires the department to serve as the lead agency for the facilitated application procedure and shall be the lead agency to administer the facilitated application procedure for any project that requires both county permit applications and state agency approval. Requires the procedure to be as follows: an applicant for at least 2 state permits, or at least 1 state and 1 county permit, may apply in writing to the department requesting a facilitated application process for the consideration of the application; within 10 days of approving a written request for the facilitated application process, the department shall notify all federal, state, and county agencies or authorities that the department determines may have jurisdiction over part or all of the proposed project, and require those state agencies or authorities and invite those county and federal agencies or authorities to participate in the facilitated application process; within 10 days of receiving notification from the department, each agency or authority shall submit an estimated timeline for permit issuance or approval and issue its own permit or approval based upon this timeline and its own jurisdiction; provided that the department may adjust this deadline based on the complexity of the project. -- Requires the department to submit an annual report on the status of the facilitated application process, including any recommendations for improvements to the facilitated application process, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session. Defines permit by review to mean permits approved by the appropriate state departments. Defines permit by rule to mean permits approved by administrative rule. -- Amends provisions relating to streamlining activities. Requires the department to establish: a single digital portal that allows applicants and agencies to upload applications, permits, and relevant documents and track the status of applications in real time; a fast-track process to expedite approval of low-impact projects; a permit by rule process that allows applications for low-impact projects to be reviewed by a licensed design professional; and criteria to classify low-impact projects; provided that the criteria shall consider environmental and community impacts. Defines licensed designed professional to mean a professional engineer, architect, surveyor, or landscape architect licensed under Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors and Landscape Architects law. -- Appropriation to the department of business, economic development, and tourism for the establishment of \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) positions within the department of businesses, economic development, and tourism to establish the digital portal and other processes required by this provision (\$\$). -- HB1405 HD1

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### HB1406 HD1 (HSCR 494)

#### RELATING TO GOVERNMENT PROCEDURES.

Introduced by: Ilagan G, Holt D, Hussey I, Matsumoto L, Tam A, Templo S, Todd C  
Establishes within the house of representatives the intergovernmental task force for permit simplification to identify actions taken, challenges encountered, and legislative measures necessary to facilitate, expedite, and coordinate state and intergovernmental development permit processes. Requires the speaker of the house of representatives to appoint 1 member of the house of representatives to serve as chair of the intergovernmental task force for permit simplification. Requires the members of the intergovernmental task force for permit simplification to serve without compensation for their service on the task force. Requires the task force to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of each regular session during which the task force will continue to exist. Requires the task force to cease upon the submission of a final report

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to the legislature or on June 30, 2027, whichever is earlier (Sunset). -- Appropriation to the house of representatives for the staffing and administrative costs of the intergovernmental task force for permit simplification. (Report to Legislature) (\$\$) -- HB1406 HD1

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### HB1408 HD1 (HSCR 52)

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS.

Introduced by: Poepoe M, Cochran E, Holt D, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Kila D, Perruso A, Souza K, Tarnas D

Amends provisions relating to dwelling unit revolving fund. Allows, notwithstanding the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act of 1920, as amended, the department of Hawaiian home lands to utilize the dwelling unit revolving fund as collateral when acting as an eligible borrower of a loan guaranteed by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development under section 184A of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992, as amended, to develop residential homestead lots and housing units subject to the approval of the corporation. -- Appropriation into and out of the dwelling unit revolving fund to the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation for collateral when the department of Hawaiian home lands acts as an eligible borrower of a loan guaranteed by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development under section 184A of the Housing and Community Development Act, as amended, to develop residential homestead lots and housing units (\$\$). -- HB1408 HD1

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### HB1409 HD1 (HSCR 137)

RELATING TO TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT.

Introduced by: Evslin L, Amato T, Belatti D, Grandinetti T, Holt D, Kahaloa K, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Kila D, Lowen N, Marten L, Miyake T, Morikawa D, Takayama G, Tarnas D

Establishes provisions relating to transit-oriented development; criteria for certain financing. Requires development in a county-designated transit-oriented development area, as defined in provisions relating to Hawaii interagency council for transit-oriented development, to have priority for financing; provided that; development standards for the transit-oriented development area allow an average floor area ratio equal to or greater than the transit-supportive densities set forth in this provision; permits for development in the transit-oriented development area are processed as a ministerial permit subject to applicable objective design standards; there is no imposition of a development standard that renders it impracticable to build a usable structure for the permitted uses at the applicable transit-supportive density; and funds collected pursuant to provisions relating to county surcharge on state tax have been expended in the county-designated transit-oriented development area in which the development is located. -- Amends provisions relating to rental housing revolving fund. Requires moneys available in the fund to be used for the purpose of providing, in whole or in part, loans for rental housing projects demonstrating project readiness, efficiency, and feasibility acceptable to the corporation in the specified order of priority, including mixed-income rental projects or units in a mixed-income rental project in an area that satisfies; transit-supportive density requirements; and standards for project readiness, efficiency, and feasibility, wherein all of the available units are for persons and families with incomes at or below 140 per cent of the median family income; and mixed-income rental projects or units in a mixed-income rental project wherein all of the available units are for persons and families with incomes at or below 140 per cent of the median family income. -- Provides that at least 51 per cent of the moneys in the fund used for mixed-income rental projects or units in a mixed-income rental project shall be prioritized for a county that has expended funds pursuant to provisions relating to county surcharge on state tax; provided that the majority of county-designated transit-oriented development areas surrounding stations of a locally preferred alternative for a mass transit project satisfy transit-supportive density requirements. -- Amends provisions relating to transit-oriented development infrastructure improvement district program; assessment; rules; and Hawaii interagency council for transit-oriented development by changing its title to Hawaii interagency council for transit-oriented development; transit-oriented development planning and implementation. Requires the strategic plan developed by the Hawaii interagency council for transit-oriented development to delineate for each county, county-designated transit-oriented development areas within which transit-rich, pedestrian-oriented development is desired and investment in transit-oriented development and supporting infrastructure is to be directed. Defines county-designated transit-oriented development



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area; transit-oriented development; and transit-oriented development project. -- HB1409 HD1

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HB1410 HD2 (HSCR 711)

RELATING TO HOUSING.

Introduced by: Evslin L, Amato T, Belatti D, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kapela J, Lamosao R, Marten L, Morikawa D, Tarnas D

Establishes provisions relating to supportive housing special fund. Establishes a supportive housing special fund to be administered by the corporation for the purpose of developing, operating, and maintaining affordable, permanent housing and the provision of supportive services for individuals or families with special needs. Allows moneys in the fund to be used to; make loans to finance the development, pre-development, construction, acquisition, preservation, or substantial rehabilitation of supportive housing projects; make project-based rental assistance payments; make payments for supportive services for households residing in the supportive housing projects; and for other housing services or activities as provided in rules adopted by the corporation without regard to administrative procedure law. -- Establishes provisions relating to additional powers. -- Amends provisions relating to dwelling unit revolving fund. Requires funds appropriated for the purpose of the dwelling unit revolving fund, conveyance taxes received pursuant to provisions relating to disposition of taxes, and all moneys received or collected by the corporation for the purpose of the revolving fund to be deposited in the revolving fund. Requires the proceeds in the revolving fund to be used; to fund infrastructure programs in areas that meet transit-supportive density requirements; provided that proceeds from the conveyance tax deposited pursuant to provisions relating to disposition of taxes shall only be used for the purposes of this provision. -- Amends provisions relating to basis and rate of tax. Restructures the conveyance tax to a marginal rate system and adjusts the tax for multifamily properties to reflect value on a per-unit basis. -- Amends provisions relating to disposition of taxes. Provides that of the taxes collected each fiscal year, a specific percentage or specific amount, whichever is less, to be paid into the land conservation fund; rental housing revolving fund; supportive housing special fund; and dwelling unit revolving fund. -- HB1410 HD2

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HB1411 HD1 (HSCR 492)

RELATING TO HOUSING PREFERENCE.

Introduced by: Evslin L, Miyake T

Establishes provisions relating to geographic preferences. Allows, in developing projects under this law, the corporation to allow projects to grant preferences to housing units for applicants whose primary physical residence or place of employment is located within 5 miles of the project. Allows the corporation to adopt rules under Administrative Procedure law to implement this provision. -- HB1411 HD1

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HB1414 HD1 (HSCR 995)

RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.

Introduced by: Reyes Oda J

Amends provisions relating to competitive sealed bidding. Requires the contract to be awarded with reasonable promptness by written notice to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder whose bid meets the requirements and criteria set forth in the invitation for bids; provided that, if the purchasing agency determines that an award made to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder is not in the best interests of the State, the head of the purchasing agency, with the approval of the chief procurement officer, may award the contract to the responsible and responsive bidder whose bid is most beneficial to taxpayers or otherwise in the best interests of the State. -- HB1414 HD1

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HB1422 HD2 (HSCR 1043)

RELATING TO MOTOR CARRIERS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N, Evslin L, Morikawa D

Amends provisions relating to exemptions, generally. Prohibits notwithstanding any other provisions of this law, its contents to apply to: community-based organizations engaged in community-based economic development providing transportation services; provided that: the transportation services are operated within the parameters of a state- or county-approved plan that is contracted or regulated under the authority of that state or

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county government agency. Provides that the state or county government agency shall require, or may exceed, the minimum requirements for commercial and business insurance required under provision relating to security for protection of public; the community-based organization owns the transportation service-related assets, and these assets cannot be sold for personal gain for the duration of the exemption from this law; community stakeholders have a role in the operation of the community-based organization; and the state or county government agency shall notify the commission of the agency's determination that the community-based organization qualifies for this exemption. Defines community-based economic development and community-based organization, to have the same meaning as in provision under community based development law. Defines community stakeholders to mean individuals, groups, or other organizations within the geographically defined area served by, and that have a direct interest in the activities and outcomes of, the community-based organization and community-based economic development. -- HB1422 HD2

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HB1424 HD1 (HSCR 658)

### RELATING TO APPROPRIATIONS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N

Establishes provisions relating to appropriated funds; transfers prohibited. Requires no department or agency to transfer funds, or authorize the transfer of funds, appropriated for: positions to operating expenses; or operating expenses to fund positions, except to fulfill the legislature's purpose for which the funds were appropriated. -- HB1424 HD1

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HB1427 HD1 (HSCR 187)

### RELATING TO AVIAN INFLUENZA.

Introduced by: Nakamura N

Appropriation to the department of health and department of agriculture to prevent, monitor, and respond to avian influenza in Hawaii. (\$\$) -- HB1427 HD1

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HB1428 HD1 (HSCR 489)

### RELATING TO HOUSING.

Introduced by: Nakamura N

Requires the hawaii housing finance and development corporation to submit a report of its findings and recommendations regarding housing counseling agencies that received funds pursuant to this provision including the number of clients served by each housing counseling agency; the specific types of counseling and education services delivered; the outcomes achieved by clients who have received housing counseling services; and any proposed legislation to the legislature no later than November 1, 2027. Report to the legislature. -- Appropriation to the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation for the hawaii housing finance and development corporation to allocate to housing counseling agencies certified by the united states department of housing and urban development to expand outreach by reaching underserved communities across the state; enhance service delivery by providing timely and effective counseling to prevent housing crises; and support ALICE households. (\$\$) -- HB1428 HD1

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HB1431 HD2 (HSCR 1013)

### RELATING TO ORAL HEALTH.

Introduced by: Nakamura N

Establishes an oral health task force to be placed within the department of health to review information and data on the status of oral health in the state and make recommendations to improve the state's oral health infrastructure. Establishes criteria for the oral health task force. Requires the oral health task force to submit an interim report of its findings and recommendations to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2026. Report to the legislature. Requires the department of health to submit a final report of the oral health task force's findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2028. Report to the legislature. Requires the task force to cease to exist on June 30, 2028 (sunset). -- Appropriation to the department of health for the family health services division of the department of health to contract with a consultant to facilitate the work of the oral health task force. -- Appropriation to the department of health for the establishment of \_\_\_\_ full-time

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equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) temporary program specialist V position within the family health services division of the department of health to collect, analyze, and evaluate information relevant to specific oral health policy issues; serve as the representative of the department of health oral health program to the hawaii oral health coalition; develop, administer, monitor, and provide oversight; and serve as a liaison on the oral health task force for the purposes of this Act. (\$\$) -- HB1431 HD2

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HB1437 HD2 (HSCR 1027)

RELATING TO GENERAL EXCISE TAX EXEMPTIONS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N (BR)

Establishes provisions relating to nonprofit schools; additional amounts not taxable under the general excise tax law. Exempts the from the state general excise tax the gross proceeds or gross income arising from a sale that benefits a nonprofit school, if the sale is made by either a nonprofit school; or a nonprofit school-sponsored student activity group. -- HB1437 HD2

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HB1439 HD1 (HSCR 1004)

MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS.

Introduced by: Nakamura N

Appropriation to the state ethics commission, office of the auditor, office of the legislative reference bureau, office of the ombudsman, senate, and house of representatives for Hawaii employer union health benefits trust fund costs and other cost adjustments for legislative officers and employees who are excluded from collective bargaining. (\$\$) -- HB1439 HD1

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HB1440 HD1 (HSCR 182)

MAKING APPROPRIATIONS TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE LEGISLATURE, THE AUDITOR, THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU, THE OMBUDSMAN, AND THE ETHICS COMMISSION.

Introduced by: Nakamura N

Appropriation to the senate and the house of representatives for session and nonsession expenses up to and including June 30, 2026, including the 2025 pre session and regular session expenses. Expenses of the senate to be approved by the president and expenses of the house of representatives to be approved by the speaker. Requires the senate and the house of representatives to have their accounts audited and report to the senate and house of representatives respectively (report to the legislature). Expenses for legislators while traveling abroad shall be 145 dollars a day. -- Appropriation to the auditor for defraying expenses of the office. -- Appropriation to be deposited into the audit revolving fund. -- Appropriation out of the fund to the auditor for the office. -- Appropriation to the legislative reference bureau for defraying expenses. -- Appropriation to the ombudsman for defraying expenses of the office. -- Appropriation to the state ethics commission for defraying expenses of the office. -- Appropriation for accrued vacation payments and vacation transfer payments for any employee leaving the employ of the senate, house of representatives, office of the auditor, legislative reference bureau, office of the ombudsman, and state ethics commission; provided that the appropriate expending agency shall 1st make payments from the vacation payout allocation before expending funds from turnover and vacancy amounts. (expenditure ceiling) (\$\$) -- HB1440 HD1

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HB1449 HD2 (HSCR 719)

RELATING TO PLANT CARE COMPONENTS.

Introduced by: Quinlan S

Amends provisions relating to rules under the Department of Agriculture law. Requires, subject to Administrative Procedure law, the department of agriculture to adopt, amend, and repeal rules not inconsistent with law, for and concerning: the establishment, fee schedule, appropriate treatments, certification requirements, restrictions, and enforcement of or for a plant care component program; and any other purpose within this part related to plant care components. -- Amends provisions relating to plant care components; fumigation; treatment; certification; fees; restrictions. Prohibits any person to distribute within the State any plant care component that originated outside the State, unless: the plant care component was subjected to a treatment before entering the State; or the plant care component has been treated immediately after arrival in the State, as

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certified by the department of agriculture. Allows any person who violates any provision of this section or the rules adopted pursuant to rules to be assessed an administrative penalty of no more than 10,000 dollars for each offense; provided that the person receives appropriate notice and the option for a contested case hearing. Provides that unless the person makes a written request for a hearing within 20 days of receipt of the notice, the proposed penalty and finding of a violation pursuant to this section shall be a final order. Requires, in determining the amount of the penalty, the board to consider: the appropriateness based on the size of the business of the person charged; the effect on the person's ability to continue the person's business; and the gravity of the violation. -- Requires, in the event of failure to pay or collect the full amount of the administrative penalty in this provision, the board to refer the matter to the attorney general, who shall seek to recover the amount by action in the appropriate court. Requires, for any judicial proceeding to recover the administrative penalty imposed, the attorney general to have the burden of showing that: adequate notice was provided; a contested case hearing was held or the time to request a hearing had expired; the administrative penalty was imposed; and the administrative penalty remains unpaid in full. Requires, when construing and enforcing the provisions of this section, the act, omission, or failure of any officer, agent, or other person acting for or employed by any person to in every case be also deemed to be the act, omission, or failure of the person and the officer, agent, or other person employed. -- Defines board to mean the board of agriculture. Defines person to mean any individual, firm, corporation, association, or partnership or any organized group of persons whether incorporated or not. Redefines plant care component or component to mean any quantity of wood chips or compost that is used in the care or propagation of plants, or filter socks. -- Appropriation to the department of agriculture for the implementation and performance of the plant care component program and the establishment of \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_FTE) permanent civil service plant quarantine inspector IV positions and \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_FTE) permanent civil service plant quarantine inspector III positions within the department of agriculture's plant industry division, plant quarantine branch (\$\$). -- HB1449 HD2  
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HB1450 HD2 (HSCR 1109)

### RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL CLIMATE RESILIENCY.

Introduced by: Quinlan S

Establishes a 3-year climate resilient food systems grant pilot program, which shall be administered by the department of agriculture. Requires the climate-resilient food systems grant pilot program to provide grants to agricultural producers in the state, in an amount ranging from \_\_\_\_\_ dollars to \_\_\_\_\_ dollars, for the acquisition of special-purpose equipment, technology, and ancillary costs. Requires grants to be awarded on a competitive basis through a request for applications, in compliance with rules adopted pursuant to administrative procedure law, and Hawaii public procurement code law. Requires grant proposals to be submitted to the department of agriculture in accordance with administrative rules adopted by the department to administer the grant pilot program. Requires no grant to be awarded under this act unless the applicant matches up to 20 per cent of the total project costs. Defines small family farm or ranch to mean any farm or ranch where the majority of the business is owned by the producer and individuals related to the producer and with a gross cash farm or ranch income of less than 350,000 dollars per year. Requires the climate-resilient food systems grant pilot program to terminate on June 30, 2028 (Sunset). Requires the department of agriculture to submit interim reports to the legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular sessions of 2026 and 2027. Requires the department of agriculture to submit a final report of its administrative activities, expenditures, findings, and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2028. Requires the report to include the outcomes of the climate-resilient food systems grant pilot program and a recommendation as to whether the program should be made permanent, with or without modifications. -- Appropriation to the department of agriculture to carry out the purposes of this act. (Report to Legislature) (\$\$) -- HB1450 HD2

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HB1462 HD1 (HSCR 510)

### RELATING TO CRISIS SERVICES.

Introduced by: Kila D, Keohokapu-Lee Loy S, Olds I, Takayama G

Amends provisions relating to crisis intervention and diversion services program. Requires there to be established within the department crisis intervention and diversion

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services program to redirect persons experiencing mental health disorders and co-occurring mental health and substance use disorders who are at risk for involvement, or currently involved, with the criminal justice system to the appropriate health care system and services; provided that the department shall establish at least 2 crisis intervention and diversion services sites on the island of Oahu; provided further that of the 2 sites on Oahu, 1 site shall be located in an area that data shows to be affected by disproportionate numbers of individuals with mental health conditions, substance use disorders, or homelessness. -- HB1462 HD1

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### HB1467 HD2 (HSCR 782)

#### RELATING TO HOUSING RESILIENCY.

Introduced by: Amato T, Belatti D, Grandinetti T, Iwamoto K, Perruso A

Establishes the strengthen Hawaii homes act. Establishes provisions relating to strengthen Hawaii homes program; established. Establishes within the department the strengthen Hawaii homes program, under which the department shall provide grants to modify and strengthen existing residential properties to improve their resilience to disasters and reduce potential insurance liabilities. Requires implementation of the program to be subject to the availability of funds. Requires the department to use its best efforts to obtain grants or other funding from the federal government or other funding sources to supplement any moneys appropriated by the legislature to the department for the program. Requires nothing in this law to be construed as creating an entitlement for residential property owners or obligating the State in any way to fund the inspection, construction, or retrofitting of residential properties. -- Establishes provisions relating to strengthen Hawaii homes program administrator and requirements; grants; applications; eligibility; availability of funds for nonprofit organizations; evaluation of residential property by evaluator; evaluators; eligibility; listing; use of grant moneys; conditions; contractors; eligibility; annual reports; and rules. -- Appropriation to the department of business, economic development, and tourism for the strengthen Hawaii homes program. Report to the legislature. (\$\$) -- HB1467 HD2

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### HB1477 HD1 (HSCR 266)

#### RELATING TO SOCIAL SERVICES.

Introduced by: Marten L, Amato T, Chun C, Cochran E, Iwamoto K, Kahaloa K, Kila D, Kitagawa L, La Chica T, Matayoshi S, Muraoka C, Olds I, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Takayama G, Tarnas D, Templo S

Amends provisions relating to determination of amount of assistance under the Social Services law. Requires the director to provide for level of care payment and needs allowance as follows: for adult residential care homes classified as facility type I, licensed developmental disabilities domiciliary homes as defined under developmental disabilities residential services, community care foster family homes as defined under definitions under the Health law, and certified adult foster homes as defined under adult foster homes, the state supplemental payment, which includes the care rate and needs allowance, shall not exceed 829 dollars; and for adult residential care homes classified as facility type II, the state supplemental payment, which includes the care rate and needs allowance, shall not exceed 937 dollars. -- Amends provisions relating to needs allowance; waiver program individuals. Requires the State's supplemental payment, as authorized by determination of amount of assistance, for a needs allowance under this provision to be increased by an amount necessary to bring the allowance up to 75 dollars per month. -- HB1477 HD1

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### HB1482 HD1 (HSCR 430)

#### RELATED TO CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES.

Introduced by: Matayoshi S, Kitagawa L, Quinlan S

Amends provisions relating to definitions under hemp processors law. Redefines artificially derived cannabinoid to mean a chemical substance, including any of the substances enumerated in provisions relating to schedule I, that is created by a chemical reaction that changes the molecular structure of any chemical substance derived from the plant genus cannabis. Redefines cannabis to include any of the substances enumerated in provisions relating to schedule I. Redefines manufactured hemp product to not include any living hemp plants, viable seeds, leaf materials, floral materials, synthetic cannabinoids, or artificially derived cannabinoids. -- Amends provisions relating to schedule I under uniform controlled substances act. Adds other names: Delta 8 cis

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or trans tetrahydrocannabinol, and their optical isomers. -- HB1482 HD1  
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HB1483 HD1 (HSCR 629)

### RELATING TO FIREWORKS.

Introduced by: Matayoshi S, Amato T, Belatti D, Chun C, Cochran E, Evslin L, Garrett A, Grandinetti T, Ilagan G, Kila D, Kitagawa L, Kusch M, La Chica T, Lamosao R, Lee M, Lowen N, Marten L, Matsumoto L, Miyake T, Perruso A, Poepoe M, Quinlan S, Sayama J, Shimizu G, Souza K, Takayama G, Tam A, Tarnas D, Templo S  
Amends the fireworks law; family courts law; courts generally law and offenses against public health and morals law. Establishes an adjudication system and procedures to process fireworks infractions. Amends multiple definitions and penalties for fireworks offenses, including heightened penalties if another person suffers substantial bodily injury, serious bodily injury, or death as a result of the fireworks offenses. Establishes various criminal offenses and penalties related to fireworks or articles pyrotechnics. -- Appropriation to the judiciary to carry out the purposes of this Act, including to update the judiciary information management system to implement the adjudications process established by this Act. (\$\$) -- HB1483 HD1

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HB1494 HD3 (HSCR 1034)

### RELATING TO SPORTS FACILITIES.

Introduced by: Garrett A, Yamashita K

Provides that the appropriation under Act 88, Session Laws of Hawaii 2021, relating to the state budget, as amended by Act 248, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022, in the amount indicated or balance thereof, unallocated, allotted, encumbered, and unrequired, is hereby lapsed. Provides that the appropriation under Act 268, Session Laws of Hawaii 2019, relating to the structure of government, as amended by Act 4, Session Laws of Hawaii 2020, as amended by Act 146, Session Laws of Hawaii 2021, as amended by Act 220, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022, in the amount of \$20,000,000 of general obligation bond funds or balance thereof, unallocated, allotted, encumbered, and unrequired, is hereby lapsed. Lapses appropriations of general obligation bond funds previously authorized for the planning, design, and construction of a stadium in Halawa by the Stadium Authority. -- Appropriation out of the Halawa redevelopment special fund to be deposited into the general fund. -- Authorizes the director of finance to issue general obligation bonds to be expended by the university of Hawaii for the purpose of upgrading the stadium on the university of Hawaii at Manoa campus to meet National Collegiate Athletic Association division I football stadium requirements, including plans, design, construction, equipment, appurtenances, ground and site improvements, infrastructure, and all related and associated project costs. -- Amends the stadiums and recreational facilities law by changing its title to Halawa redevelopment authority law. Renames the stadium authority as the Halawa redevelopment authority and the stadium development district as the Halawa redevelopment district. -- Amends the powers and duties of the Halawa redevelopment authority. -- HB1494 HD3

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HB1497 HD1 (HSCR 642)

### RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

Introduced by: Kahaloa K, Evslin L, Lamosao R, Matayoshi S, Morikawa D

Requires the department of agriculture to develop an online reporting tool for restricted use pesticide reporting pursuant to provision relating to post-application reporting of pesticide use. -- Appropriation to the department of agriculture to develop an online reporting tool for restricted use pesticide reporting. -- Appropriation to the department of agriculture to convert \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) temporary environmental health specialist III positions (position numbers 123035 and 123036) into \_\_\_\_ full-time equivalent (\_\_\_\_ FTE) permanent environmental health specialist III positions. (\$\$) -- HB1497 HD1

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HB1499 HD2 (HSCR 1045)

### RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

Introduced by: La Chica T

Amends provisions relating to administration of medication. Allows school health assistants, and other employees and agents trained by a health care professional employed or contracted by the department, to assist students by administering oral,

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nasal, and topical medication, and in emergency situations, other premeasured medication; provided that: the medication has been prescribed by a licensed physician, physician assistant, advanced practice registered nurse, or other practitioner with prescriptive authority. -- HB1499 HD2

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