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[COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS](#)
Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair
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NOTICE OF DECISION MAKING

DATE: Tuesday, April 3, 2018
TIME: 10:00 A.M.
PLACE: Conference Room 211
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

The following measure(s) were previously heard in their respective subject matter committees:

HB 1976, HD1 (SSCR2953) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO IRRIGATION. Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds and appropriates funds to finance capital improvements to the Waiahole Irrigation System. (HB1976 HD1)	AEN, WAM
HB 1969, HD1, SD1 (SSCR2946) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO FOOD SUSTAINABILITY. Requires the Department of Agriculture, in coordination with the Office of Planning and Department of Land and Natural Resources, to prepare and periodically update a seafood management study that expands the State's priority on food by including wild seafood as a viable food source. Makes an appropriation. (SD1)	AEN, WAM
HB 2115, HD1, SD1 (SSCR3086) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Appropriates funds to the department of labor and industrial relations for the K-12 agriculture workforce development pipeline initiative. Requires annual reporting on the effectiveness of the initiative. Takes effect on 1/1/2050. (SD1)	AEN/LBR, WAM
HB 2306, HD1, SD1 (SSCR2950) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Clarifies that the amount appropriated in Act 183, Session Laws of Hawaii 2017, shall be deposited into the Food Safety Certification Costs Grant Program Special Fund and makes an appropriation out of the special fund for fiscal year 2018-2019. (SD1)	AEN, WAM
HB 2426, HD1, SD1 (SSCR2951) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO THE AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION. Authorizes the director of finance to issue general obligation bonds and appropriates funds for the acquisition of certain farm lands in west Kauai by the agribusiness development corporation. (SD1)	AEN, WAM



<p><u>HB 2353, HD1, SD1</u> (SSCR3154) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO PUBLIC LIBRARIES. Makes miscellaneous technical amendments to facilitate library operations. Changes references to the Hawaii State Library Foundation to the Friends of the Library of Hawaii. Clarifies the functions of the friends of the library of Hawaii program fund. Takes effect 7/1/2050. (SD1)</p>	<p>EDU, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 583, HD1</u> (SSCR2987) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO TECHNOLOGY. Appropriates funds to the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation for administrative and operational costs. (HB583 HD1)</p>	<p>ETT, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 1962, HD1, SD1</u> (SSCR3180) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO MANUFACTURING. Requires the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to conduct an economic development study on automated manufacturing opportunities in Hawaii. Makes an appropriation for the study. Takes effect on 7/1/2112. (SD1)</p>	<p>ETT/LBR, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 2010, HD1, SD1</u> (SSCR3171) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO TOURISM. Renames the Convention Center Enterprise Special Fund as the Convention Center Operations and Maintenance Special Fund, repeals the allocation of transient accommodations tax revenues to that fund, amends the allowable uses of that fund, and adds a cap to the amount of moneys deposited into the fund. Defines administrative expenses as used in section 201B-11(c), HRS, as office equipment, salaries, and supplies. Caps the amount of money from the Tourism Special Fund that can be used for research and sports marketing expenses. Redistributes transient accommodations tax revenue from the Hawaii Tourism Authority to different state agencies for certain purposes. Authorizes the Department of Budget and Finance to cancel the reimbursable general obligation bond debt relating to the Convention Center that is owed by the Hawaii Tourism Authority. (SD1)</p>	<p>ETT, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 2041, HD2, SD1</u> (SSCR3163) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO AQUACULTURE. Appropriates funds for the department of business, economic development, and tourism to establish an aquaculture incubator at the natural energy laboratory of Hawaii authority to bring together entrepreneurs and investors to develop Hawaii's aquaculture industry. Takes effect on 7/1/2112. (SD1)</p>	<p>ETT/AEN, WAM</p>



HB 2605, HD2, SD1

[\(SSCR3182\)](#)

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RELATING TO TRANSIENT ACCOMMODATIONS.

Allows a transient accommodations broker to register as a tax collection agent for its operators and plan managers. Requires operators and plan managers to provide a statement to the transient accommodations broker confirming compliance with all applicable land use and tax laws. Requires the operator or plan manager to provide verification of compliance with state and county land use laws. Requires an operator or plan manager to remove a transient accommodation advertisement upon notice that the property is not in compliance with state law or county ordinance. Authorizes counties to disgorge profits obtained through unfair or unlawful business practices. Authorizes counties to adopt ordinances to amortize or phase out transient vacation rental units. Allocates up to \$1,000,000 of TAT tax revenues to each county, contingent upon the county establishing a process to provide verification of compliance by an operator or plan manager with county land use laws. Makes it unlawful for transient accommodations brokers to engage in business with operators or plan managers or property managers or activity providers that are not in compliance with all state laws and county ordinances. Makes it unlawful for a hosting platform to provide, and collect a fee for, booking services regarding transient vacation rentals that are not lawfully certified, registered, or permitted under applicable county ordinance. (SD1)

ETT/PSM, WAM

HB 2659, HD1, SD1

[\(SSCR3201\)](#)

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RELATING TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

Establishes a five-year Kapolei jobs initiative pilot program that offers incentives to increase the number of businesses willing to establish themselves or open a new location in the Kapolei region. Establishes a Kapolei jobs initiative tax credit incentive until 12/31/2028. Takes effect on 7/1/2112. (SD1)

ETT/LBR, WAM

HB 2281, HD1, SD1

[\(SSCR3177\)](#)

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RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS.

Establishes within the Department of Human Services an Ohana Zones program to provide housing to homeless individuals and families based on principles similar to the housing first program and appropriates unspecified funds for the program. Appropriates unspecified funds to the Department of Human Services and the Department of Health to continue to administer various housing and homelessness programs. Appropriates unspecified funds to the Hawaii Public Housing Authority for public housing improvements and renovations statewide and a housing homeless children pilot program. Establishes and appropriates funds to the department of health for an emergency department homelessness assessment pilot program and medical respite pilot program. Takes effect on 7/1/3000. (SD1)

HOU/HMS, WAM

HB 2330, HD1, SD1

[\(SSCR3000\)](#)

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO HOUSING.

Extends exemption from general excise tax for development costs of affordable rental housing certified by HHFDC. Removes limits on costs eligible for exemption and authorizes exemption for substantially renovated projects. Prohibits discrimination against tenants based solely on receipt of Section 8 housing assistance. Takes effect on 07/01/2050. (SD1)

HOU, WAM



<p><u>HB 2332, HD1, SD1</u> (SSCR3001) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO THE LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT. Specifies that certain provisions of the Internal Revenue Code related to at-risk rules and deductions and to passive activity loss do not apply with respect to claims for the state low-income housing tax credit. Caps the state low-income housing tax credit at fifty per cent of the federal low-income housing tax credit. Takes effect on 1/1/2050. (SD1)</p>	<p>HOU, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 2501, HD1, SD1</u> (SSCR3010) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROMISE PROGRAM. Establishes the University of Hawaii Community College Promise Program to provide scholarships for the unmet direct cost needs of qualified students enrolled at any community college campus of the University of Hawaii system. Appropriates funds to establish and implement the program. Takes effect 7/1/2112. (SD1)</p>	<p>HRE, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 2021, HD2, SD1</u> (SSCR3056) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS WITH SEVERE MENTAL ILLNESS. Requires the Department of Human Services, in consultation with the Department of Health, to establish a pilot project to operate a facility to provide shelter and mental health treatment for homeless individuals with severe mental illness who are subject to an assisted community treatment order or court ordered guardianship. Requires adult protective services to request a court ordered guardianship for homeless individuals with severe mental illness and consult with the family court and other appropriates agencies on homeless individuals with severe mental illness who were subjected to an assisted community treatment order. Requires homeless individuals with severe mental illness to provide identification documentation prior to receiving shelter and mental health treatment. Appropriates funds. Requires approval from Department of the Attorney General. Effective 7/1/3000. (SD1)</p>	<p>HMS/CPH, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 2204, HD1</u> (SSCR3058) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES. Requires the Department of Human Services to establish a task force to develop a restructured welfare payment system. Re-establishes the exit and retention bonus program to encourage welfare recipients to transition back into the workforce. Appropriates funds. (HB2204 HD1)</p>	<p>HMS/LBR, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 2277, HD1, SD1</u> (SSCR3127) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO CHILD WELFARE SERVICES. Establishes the East Hawaii Child Welfare Services Section Pilot Project within the Department of Human Services to increase staff and reduce caseloads in the East Hawaii Child Welfare Services Section. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (SD1)</p>	<p>HMS, WAM</p>



<p><u>HB 2753, HD1, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR3199)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS. Part I: Establishes and appropriates funds for the Ohana Zone Pilot Program. Part II: Establishes and appropriate funds for the Emergency Department Homelessness Assessment Pilot Program. Part III: Authorizes DHS to establish the Return-to-Home Pilot Program and appropriates funds for the program. Part IV: Establishes and appropriates funds for a pre-arrest diversion pilot project. Part V: Appropriates funds to the Department of Human Services for the coordinated statewide homeless initiative. Part VI: Establishes and appropriates funds for a pilot project to operate a facility to provide shelter and mental health treatment for homeless individuals with severe mental illness who are subject to an assisted community treatment order or court ordered guardianship. Takes effect upon approval of the Department of the Attorney General. Part VII: Appropriates funds for various housing projects for vulnerable homeless individuals. Exempts the Department of Human Services from rulemaking pursuant to chapter 91, HRS, in the planning and construction of housing for vulnerable homeless populations. Effective 7/1/3000. (SD1)</p>	<p>HMS/HOU, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 2051, HD1, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR3037)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO THE WEED AND SEED STRATEGY. Appropriates funds for grants to maintain the weed and seed strategy, which is a collaborative effort to reclaim, restore, and rebuild communities. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDC, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 2072, HD2, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR3166)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO SECTION 711-1109, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES. Prohibits certain restraints and tethers that endanger, or deny sustenance, to a dog. Authorizes the court to assess fines, order performance of community service, require mental health counseling, or order attendance at educational classes concerning animal abuse prevention in addition to or in lieu of other penalties. Effective 7/1/2035. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDC, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 2131, HD1, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR3038)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO SEXUAL ASSAULT. Creates a Hawaii Sexual Assault Response and Training Program to address the manner in which sexual assault evidence collection kits are processed and tracked, and to ensure that victims of sexual assault are informed of their rights under the law. Requires annual reports by the Attorney General to the Senate President and Speaker of the House. Appropriates funds. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDC, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 2698, HD3, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR3041)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO VETERANS. Appropriates moneys for the commemoration of the centennial anniversary of World War I and the men and women who served in the war. Effective 3/19/2035. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDC, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 1627, HD1, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR3208)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO THE MINIMUM WAGE. Repeals the exemption of persons with disabilities from minimum wage requirements. Requires the department of labor and industrial relations to submit annual reports to the legislature. Makes an appropriation. Takes effect on 7/1/2050. (SD1)</p>	<p>LBR, WAM</p>



<p><u>HB 1726, SD1</u> (SSCR2981) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS. Appropriates funds for fiscal biennium 2017-2019 for collective bargaining cost items, salary increases, and other cost adjustments for public employees in collective bargaining unit (14) and for their excluded counterparts. (SD1)</p>	<p>LBR, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 1727, HD1, SD1</u> (SSCR3157) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO LABOR. Requires employers to provide a minimum amount of paid sick leave to employees to be used to care for themselves or a family member who is ill or needs medical care, or due to a public health emergency. Gives employers flexibility to offer paid sick leave to minimum wage and other employees or to pay minimum wage employees a salary that is more than the minimum wage. Takes effect on 1/1/2050. (SD1)</p>	<p>LBR, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 2077, HD1</u> (SSCR3159) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO EMPLOYEE TRAINING. Establishes the Public Employees Training Program within the Department of Human Resources Development to provide training programs to improve and enhance state employees' understanding of their job duties. Allocates one percent of collective bargaining increases to the Public Employees Training Program. (HB2077 HD1)</p>	<p>LBR, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 2336, HD1, SD1</u> (SSCR3089) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM. Allows payment of employer contributions to the Employees' Retirement System in advance of the fiscal year in which the contributions are required; provides for interest on and application of the advance payments. (SD1)</p>	<p>LBR, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 2598, HD2, SD1</u> (SSCR3206) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO FAMILY LEAVE. Requires the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to establish paid family leave for all workers by January 1, 2020. Authorizes DLIR to adopt interim rules. Establishes the Paid Family Leave Implementation Board to assist DLIR and report to the Legislature. Requires the Legislative Reference Bureau to conduct a study, including an actuarial analysis, on aspects of implementing paid family leave. Establishes a Paid Family Leave Special Fund. Appropriates funds. Takes effect on 7/1/2030. (SD1)</p>	<p>LBR, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 1653, HD2</u> (SSCR2958) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO NON-GENERAL FUNDS. Abolishes the revolving funds for correctional facility stores account of the Department of Public Safety and transfers the unencumbered balance to the administrator/inmate activity account trust account. (HB1653 HD2)</p>	<p>PSM, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 1767, HD2, SD1</u> (SSCR3153) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATED TO MOTOR VEHICLES. Prohibits any vehicle, except a low-range, four-wheel drive vehicle, from being driven through or in Waipio Valley or the Mauna Kea Science Reserve, except under certain circumstances. Excludes the weight of disability access modifications from the determination of net weight for non-commercial vehicles for purposes of levying the state and county motor vehicle weight tax. Effective date of 1/1/2100. (SD1)</p>	<p>TRE/HRE, WAM</p>



<p>HB 1938, HD1 (SSCR3149) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO SCHOOL BUSES. Increases the fine to not more than \$1,000 for passing or overtaking a school bus on a state highway while the bus is stopped and its visual signals are turned on. (HB1938 HD1)</p>	<p>TRE, WAM</p>
<p>HB 2108, HD1 (SSCR3140) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST A SEAWATER AIR CONDITIONING PROJECT IN HAWAII. Extends the authorization to issue special purpose revenue bonds to assist Kaiuli Energy, LLC, with the financing of the planning, design, and construction of a seawater air conditioning district cooling facility and chilled water distribution system. (HB2108 HD1)</p>	<p>TRE, WAM</p>
<p>HB 2007, HD1, SD1 (SSCR3148) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO TAXATION. Amends the definition of "aircraft" under section 237-24.9, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to remove language that limits the definition to craft that operate with two or more jet engine, thereby expanding the types of aircraft eligible for the aircraft service and maintenance facility general excise tax exemption. Takes effect on 7/1/2030. (SD1)</p>	<p>TRE, WAM</p>
<p>HB 1987, HD1, SD1 (SSCR3068) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO STREAMS. Requires the commission on water resource management to contract with the United States Geological Survey to conduct a five-year study on streamflow in the State and submit a progress report to the legislature prior to the convening of the regular sessions of 2019 to 2023. Appropriates funds for the commission on water resource management to contract with the United States Geological Survey to conduct the streamflow study. (SD1)</p>	<p>WTL, WAM</p>
<p>HB 2259, HD1, SD1 (SSCR3210) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO MARINE EVENTS. Requires the Department of Land and Natural Resources to allow applications for marine event permits up to one year in advance and to adopt rules to mitigate hazards posed by vessels, thrill craft, drones, and other means used by spectators to observe or record marine events. Requires a report to the 2019 Legislature. Takes effect on 12/24/2088. (SD1)</p>	<p>WTL/PSM, WAM</p>
<p>HB 2380, HD1, SD1 (SSCR3185) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO DISPOSITION WITHIN STATE BOATING FACILITIES. Before leasing any fast lands and submerged lands within any existing state boating facility by public auction, request for proposals, or direct negotiation, requires the board of land and natural resources to make a finding regarding certain sea level rise factors and allows legislative authorization for extraordinary circumstances. Repeals fast lands and submerged lands lease requirements specific to Ala Wai Boat Harbor. (SD1)</p>	<p>WTL, WAM</p>
<p>HB 2419, HD1, SD1 (SSCR3064) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO PORT INFRASTRUCTURE. Requires the Department of Land and Natural Resources to create a strategic plan for maintenance dredging of important port and harbor locations and report the plan to the Legislature. Appropriates funds. Takes effect on July 1, 2050. (SD1)</p>	<p>WTL, WAM</p>



Decision making meeting only, no oral testimony will be accepted.

Persons wishing to submit written testimony may do so up to 24 hours prior to the hearing.

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FOR AMENDED NOTICES: Measures that have been deleted are stricken through and measures that have been added are underscored. If a measure is both underscored and stricken through, that measure has been deleted from the agenda.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL THE COMMITTEE CLERK AT (808) 586-6800.

Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz
Chair

