

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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COMMITTEE ON CULTURE, ARTS, & INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, February 2, 2022
TIME: 10:30 AM
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
 Conference Room 329
 State Capitol
 415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

HB 1449 Status	RELATING TO JUNETEENTH DAY. Makes Juneteenth Day a state holiday.	CAI, JHA, FIN
HB 2253 Status	RELATING TO INTERNATIONAL SISTER-STATE RELATIONS. Appropriates funds to support international sister-state relations.	CAI, CPC, FIN
HB 2449 Status	RELATING TO THE HAWAII STATE ARCHIVES. Appropriates funds to establish staff positions in the Hawaii state archives to assist with its mission and increase public access to historical documents and artifacts. Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds to finance the construction of an additional building to address the current and future facility needs of the state archives. Requires all departments, offices, and agencies of the State to conduct an inventory of all documents in their possession related to the culture and history of Hawaii and Native Hawaiians. Requires the state archives to develop a transfer plan to acquire those documents.	CAI, JHA, FIN



[HB 2475](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO STATE HOLIDAYS.
Removes election days as designated state holidays. Establishes July 31 as La Hoihoi Ea.

CAI, JHA, FIN

[HB 2491](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN LANGUAGE.
Requires all letterheads, documents, state highway signs, symbols, and emblems of the State and other political subdivisions that include Hawaiian names or words to include consistent Hawaiian names, spelling, and punctuation, including the use of kahako and 'okina. Establishes references for consistent Hawaiian names and words, including consistent Hawaiian spelling and punctuation. Requires the governor, lieutenant governor, state legislators, and heads of principal departments to prominently display a Hawaiian language translation of the name of their respective office or department at least once on the main page of their official website and in the letterhead of their stationery. Clarifies that the full text of bills and other official documents are not required to be written in Hawaiian and that inconsistently spelled or punctuated Hawaiian words and names shall not invalidate the documents or render them unenforceable and no cause of action shall arise accordingly.

CAI, JHA, FIN

[HB 2347](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FOR THE STATE ARCHIVES.
Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds to finance plans for a state archives master plan. Appropriates funds.

CAI, JHA, FIN

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

Persons wishing to offer comments should submit testimony at least **24 hours** prior to the hearing. Testimony received after this time will be stamped late and left to the discretion of the chair to consider. While every effort will be made to incorporate all testimony received, materials received on the day of the hearing or improperly identified or directed, may not be processed.

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Rep. Cedric Asuega Gates
Chair

