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Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair
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AMENDED NOTICE OF DECISION MAKING

DATE: Tuesday, April 4, 2023
TIME: 10:30 AM
PLACE: Conference Room 211 & Videoconference
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A M E N D E D A G E N D A

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

HB 74, HD1, SD1

[\(SSCR1272\)](#)

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RELATING TO THE GENERAL EXCISE TAX.
Establishes a five-year general excise tax exemption beginning 1/1/24 for amounts received from the servicing and maintenance of helicopters in an aircraft service and maintenance facility or from the construction of a facility that services and maintains helicopters where at least 75 percent of the helicopters serviced and maintained annually in the facility are equipped with quiet technology. Sunsets 12/31/2028. Effective 7/1/3000. (SD1)

TCA, WAM

HB 224, HD2, SD1

[\(SSCR1281\)](#)

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RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES.
Establishes the Hawaii Public Housing Authority Public Housing Tenant Upward Mobility Pilot Program. Permits the Hawaii Public Housing Authority to contract with outside parties to implement the program. Requires interim and final reports to the Legislature. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)

HOU/HHS, WAM

HB 278, HD1, SD1

[\(SSCR1266\)](#)

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RELATING TO HEALTH.
Appropriates funds for the Executive Office on Aging to create an Alzheimer's disease and related dementias public health campaign. (SD1)

HHS, WAM

<p>HB 346, HD2, SD1 (SSCR1415) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE. Requires that the design of new state facilities be electric vehicle charger-ready. Requires twenty-five percent of parking stalls to be electric vehicle charger-ready. Requires the Hawaii State Energy Office, in consultation with the Department of Accounting and General Services and Department of Transportation, to survey and identify high priority state facilities for which the office will consider cost assessments for retrofiting. Establishes a goal of the State to retrofit state facilities to be electric vehicle charger-ready. Requires a report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (SD1)</p>	<p>TCA/EET, WAM</p>
<p>HB 503, HD2, SD1 (SSCR1375) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION. Requires the Board of Education to work with the Department of Education to conduct an analysis on the need, impact, and feasibility of making computer science a graduation requirement. Requires the Board of Education to determine whether making computer science a graduation requirement would be in the best interests of public school students and the public. Requires a report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds for teacher professional development in computer science. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)</p>	<p>EDU, WAM</p>
<p>HB 610, HD2 (SSCR1240) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO TAXATION. Establishes the farm workforce retention tax credit for farm employers or owners of farm employers who employ eligible farm employees. Effective 6/30/3000. (HD2)</p>	<p>AEN, WAM</p>
<p>HB 675, HD1, SD1 (SSCR1188) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION. Requires, if sufficient funding is available, the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation to open at minimum two application periods each year for the receipt of applications for financing for the development of affordable housing in the State from the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Program, Hula Mae Multi-Family Revenue Bond Program, Rental Housing Revolving Fund Program, and Dwelling Unit Revolving Fund Program. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)</p>	<p>HOU, WAM</p>
<p>HB 714, HD1 (SSCR1401) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO MOORING LINES. Requires that the securing of mooring lines from vessels requiring tug assistance to commercial docks, wharves, piers, quays, and landings be performed by a stevedoring company. Defines "stevedoring company". Effective 6/30/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>TCA, WAM</p>

HB 870, HD2, SD1

[\(SSCR1325\)](#)

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RELATING TO THE NEIGHBOR ISLANDS BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED SERVICE PILOT PROGRAM. Requires the Department of Human Services to: establish a Neighbor Islands Blind and Visually Impaired Service Pilot Program that supplements existing statewide services by providing training and other services to neighbor island residents who are blind or visually impaired; establish a working group to develop a pilot program implementation plan and submit the plan to the Legislature before the Regular Session of 2024; and submit a report on the pilot program to the Legislature before the Regular Session of 2027. Appropriates funds. Repeals on 6/30/2027. Effective 6/30/2050. (SD1)

HHS, WAM

HB 933, HD2, SD1

[\(SSCR1368\)](#)

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACCESS FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH PRINT DISABILITIES. Appropriates funds to the Public Utilities Commission to provide free telecommunications access to certain information for individuals with a print disability. Effective 7/1/3000. (SD1)

CPN, WAM

HB 949, HD2

[\(SSCR1321\)](#)

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RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY. Establishes and appropriates funds for a solar energy storage system loan program to provide asset limited, income constrained, employed households with low-interest loans to purchase and install solar energy storage systems. Establishes and appropriates funds for a renewable energy system installation loan program to provide asset limited, income constrained, employed households with low-interest loans to purchase and install residential photovoltaic and energy storage systems, including battery storage systems. Effective 6/30/3000. (HD2)

EET/CPN, WAM

HB 953, HD1

[\(SSCR1214\)](#)

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RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES. Requires DLNR to develop and publish a website that includes the application processes for a permit, license, or reservation needed to conduct recreational and commercial activities in the State that are regulated by or under the jurisdiction of the department. Requires DLNR to convert existing application processes into a digital format to be used on the website. Appropriates funds for the establishment of the website. Effective 6/30/3000. (HD1)

WTL, WAM

HB 960, HD1, SD1

[\(SSCR1376\)](#)

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RELATING TO THE SCHOOL FACILITIES AUTHORITY. Transfers \$200,000,000 of general funds previously appropriated to the School Facilities Authority of the Department of Education to the School Facilities Special Fund. Appropriates an unspecified amount of funds out of the School Facilities Special Fund for the School Facilities Authority to expand access to eligible children for pre-kindergarten. Effective 6/30/3000. (SD1)

EDU, WAM

<p>HB 961, HD1, SD1 (SSCR1377) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO EARLY LEARNING. Appropriates funds for the Preschool Open Doors Program and Executive Office on Early Learning to expand access to preschool and to implement program changes required by previous acts. Expands the types of entities from which a Preschool Open Doors service provider may obtain accreditation. Expands the Preschool Open Doors Program application process to eligible three-year-old children. Authorizes the Preschool Open Doors Special Fund to accept federal funds. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)</p>	<p>EDU, WAM</p>
<p>HB 963, HD1 (SSCR1153) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO BROADBAND. Appropriates general fund moneys that are required to match federal moneys for broadband programs. Appropriates moneys received by the State from the federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act for the broadband equity, access, and deployment program. Effective 6/30/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>EET, WAM</p>
<p>HB 964, HD1, SD1 (SSCR1301) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO THE CERTIFICATION OF DOCUMENTS. Increases the fee for the issuance of an apostille or certification to \$10. Establishes the Apostilles and Certifications Special Fund. Authorizes the Office of the Lieutenant Governor to expend moneys in the fund for operational expenses. Appropriates funds. Effective 6/30/3000. (SD1)</p>	<p>GVO, WAM</p>
<p>HB 992, HD1, SD1 (SSCR1190) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO THE AFFORDABLE HOMEOWNERSHIP REVOLVING FUND. Clarifies section 6.4 of Act 248, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022, as it pertains to the appropriation for the Affordable Homeownership Revolving Fund. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)</p>	<p>HOU, WAM</p>
<p>HB 995, HD2 (SSCR1360) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO IMPORTANT AGRICULTURAL LANDS. Clarifies the decision-making process for the land use commission adoption of county maps and designation of important agricultural lands. Repeals the provision for farm dwelling and employee housing on important agricultural lands and adopts a new provision for farm cluster housing as an incentive for the designation of lands as important agricultural lands. (HD2)</p>	<p>AEN/WTL, WAM</p>
<p>HB 999, HD1, SD1 (SSCR1156) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO THE HAWAII TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION. Establishes a public policy framework that addresses state goals in the area of economic diversification. Appropriates funds to the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation to implement specific projects that address those goals. Requires the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation to submit annual reports over three years to the Legislature. Authorizes the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation to temporarily re-establish the Hawaii Office of Naval Research Grant Program to provide fifty per cent matching grants to Hawaii awardees of alternative energy research grants from the Department of Defense Office of Naval Research. Establishes the Alternative Energy Research and Development Revolving Fund. Appropriates moneys into and out of the revolving fund. Effective 6/30/3000. (SD1)</p>	<p>EET, WAM</p>

<p><u>HB 1037, HD2</u> <u>(SSCR1254)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO STATEWIDE INTEROPERABLE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS. Amends provisions related to the statewide interoperable communications executive committee to reflect the migration of the office of homeland security from the department of defense to the department of law enforcement on 1/1/2024. Effective 6/30/3000. (HD2)</p>	<p>PSM/GVO, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 1113, HD1</u> <u>(SSCR1275)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO THE DRUG AND ALCOHOL TOXICOLOGY TESTING LABORATORY. Authorizes moneys in the state highway fund to be expended to maintain the drug and alcohol toxicology testing laboratory. Authorizes moneys in the drug and alcohol toxicology testing laboratory special fund to be administered and expended by the department of transportation or appropriated as a grant-in-aid to the city and county of Honolulu emergency services department to support the laboratory. Appropriates funds for the laboratory. Requires reports to the legislature. Effective 6/30/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>TCA, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 1183, HD1, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR1222)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO STATE PARKS. Exempts parking lot operations at state parks and the operation of concessions at certain state parks from the bidding requirements for concessions operating on public property. Effective 6/30/3000. (SD1)</p>	<p>WTL, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 1184, HD1, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR1355)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO PROCUREMENT. Allows agencies to rank fewer than three persons for professional services when fewer than three qualified persons respond to the solicitation or request to use alternative procurement procedures when no qualified person responds to the solicitation. Effective July 1, 2112. (SD1)</p>	<p>GVO, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 1250, HD1</u> <u>(SSCR1384)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO MĀMAKI TEA. Imposes labeling requirements for mamaki tea grown in the State. Appropriates funds to the department of agriculture to administer the mamaki tea labeling requirements. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>CPN/AEN, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 1300, HD2, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR1422)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO MENTAL HEALTH. <u>Establishes provisional or associate-level licensure requirements for marriage and family therapists, mental health counselors, and psychologists and authorizes insurance reimbursements in certain circumstances. Requires psychologist license applicants to possess a doctoral degree and complete certain supervised experience requirements before sitting for the licensing examination. Authorizes insurance reimbursements for services provided by a supervised social work intern in certain circumstances. Appropriates funds. Effective 6/30/2050. (SD1)</u></p>	<p>HHS/CPN, WAM <u>[Measure added on 03-31-23]</u></p>
<p><u>HB 1340, HD2, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR1404)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO MENTAL HEALTH. Authorizes the Director of Health to establish a Temporary Breakthrough Therapy Designation Advisory Council within three months of certain breakthrough therapy designation approvals by the United States Food and Drug Administration. (SD1)</p>	<p>HHS, WAM</p>

<p>HB 1363, HD3, SD1 (SSCR1303) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO TAXATION. Extends the period within which a county may adopt a surcharge on state tax, under certain conditions, from 3/31/2019 to 12/31/2023. Authorizes the use of county surcharge revenues for housing infrastructure in counties having a population of five hundred thousand or less. Temporarily authorizes counties that have previously adopted a surcharge on state tax to amend the uses of the surcharge. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)</p>	<p>HOU/PSM, WAM</p>
<p>HB 1375, HD3, SD1 (SSCR1320) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO TOURISM. Establishes an Office of Tourism and Destination Management within the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism that encompasses regenerative tourism and best practice destination management. Transfers the functions, duties, appropriations, and positions of the Hawaii Tourism Authority to the Office of Tourism and Destination Management. Requires the Office of Tourism and Destination Management to implement certain county destination management action plans. Dissolves the Hawaii Tourism Authority and the Board of Directors for the Hawaii Tourism Authority. Appropriates funds. Takes effect 1/6/2050. (SD1)</p>	<p>EET/PSM, WAM</p>
<p>HB 1394, HD1 (SSCR1144) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES. Appropriates funds to the department of land and natural resources for operating costs and personnel to manage certain trailheads as part of the Na Ala Hele trail and access program. Effective 6/30/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>WTL, WAM</p>
<p>HB 1396, HD2, SD1 (SSCR1335) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO CESSPOOLS. Part I: Establishes and appropriates funds for a county cesspool pilot program in Department of Health to work with each county to identify a priority area to expand the county sewage system or other centralized treatment system to connect individual properties in the priority area and reduce or eliminate cesspools in the identified area. Part II: Creates a cesspool conversion section in DOH to facilitate the conversion of cesspools within the State. Establishes and appropriates funds for positions. Part III: Requires DOH to retain experts to identify necessary public outreach and education resources and tools, and develop a comprehensive public outreach strategy and educate homeowners regarding the State's cesspool upgrade, conversion, and connection requirements and deadlines. Part IV: Establishes an income tax credit for the cost of upgrading or converting a qualified cesspool to a director of health-approved wastewater system or connecting to a sewerage system. Requires certain information regarding cesspools on real property to be included in seller mandatory disclosures for real property transactions. Effective 6/30/3000. (SD1)</p>	<p>AEN/PSM, WAM</p>
<p>HB 1408, HD3 (SSCR1166) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO DIGITAL EQUITY. <u>Establishes the digital equity grant program to award grants to applicants to deploy digital equity projects to covered populations in the State. Appropriates funds. Effective 6/30/3000. (HD3)</u></p>	<p>EET, WAM <u>[Measure added on 03-31-23]</u></p>

HB 1439, HD2, SD1

(SSCR1394)

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RELATING TO EVICTION MEDIATION.

Beginning November 1, 2023, establishes a pre-litigation mediation pilot program that extends the period for a notice of termination of the rental agreement from five business days to ten calendar days, requires landlords to participate in mediation before filing an action for summary possession, and requires landlords to provide specific information in the ten-calendar-day notice to tenants and a mediation center that offers free mediation for residential landlord-tenant disputes. Appropriates funds for a pre-litigation mediation pilot program. Creates and appropriates funds for an emergency rent relief program. Effective 6/30/3000. (SD1)

CPN/JDC, WAM

HB 1486, HD1

(SSCR1310)

Status &
Testimony

RELATING TO THE KUPUNA CARE PROGRAM.

Appropriates funds to the department of health for the kupuna care program within the executive office on aging. Effective 6/30/3000. (HD1)

HHS, WAM

HB 1511, HD1, SD1

(SSCR1308)

Status &
Testimony

RELATING TO WATER RESOURCES.

Appropriates funds as a grant-in-aid to the City and County of Honolulu Board of Water Supply to plan, design, and construct, after consultation with the Department of Health and the Commission on Water Resource Management, seven monitoring wells and an exploratory well. Effective 6/30/3000. (SD1)

WTL/PSM, WAM

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Chair