

Dengue Fever Information and Resources

Since February 13, 2016, the Hawai'i Department of Health has reported no new cases of Dengue Fever. Although there are no new reported cases it is important to remember that infectious mosquitos may be present.

Protect yourself against any potential threats by following the Hawai'i Department of Health's **Fight the Bite** initiative:

- * Eliminate standing water in buckets, puddles, etc.
- * Fix leaky faucets and outdoor hoses that are dripping water.
- * Treat bromeliads and other plants that hold water.
- * Clean your gutters so water runs freely.
- * Repair screens so water runs freely.
- * Dispose of old tires.
- * Protect yourself by applying insect repellent when you're outdoors.
- * Clothing, such as long pants, long sleeves, shirts, and socks can help protect from bites.
- * Avoid activities in areas with an abundance of mosquitoes, and going outdoors at dawn and dusk when mosquitos are most active.

Call Aloha United Way 2-1-1 for information about dengue fever and the current Hawai'i Island dengue investigation.

Visit the Hawai'i Department of Health's website for Dengue Fever at: www.health.hawaii.gov/docd/dengue-outbreak-2015

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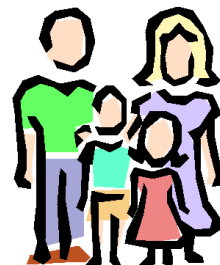
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Getting Involved In This Year's Legislative Session

Now is the time to get involved in this year's legislative session. For the most up-to-date information on all the bills that are currently being discussed this session visit <http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov>. On the left of the screen, click the "Keyword" box to search all the bills that were submitted this session. A list of bills will populate with the keyword(s) you have provided.

To receive hearing notices via email go to <http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov>. Click on "Sign In" and enter your email address and password. If you have not created an account, you can create an account here. Next, click on the orange "Hearing Notifications" icon located in the center of the screen. To receive hearing notifications for specific bills or resolutions enter the bill number (e.g. "HB123") in the column on the left and click "Add." You can do this for any number of bills. To receive hearing notices for a specific committee go to the column on the right that lists the committees and check off the ones that you're interested in.



To submit testimony for a bill, scroll to the bottom of a hearing page for instructions. You may submit testimony online, by fax, or in person. If you are unavailable to submit testimony contact the chair of the committee to give your support or opposition for a bill.

Survey Questions

This session, we have seen a large amount of firearm legislation. Please share your opinion on the following firearm bills that are moving forward.

Misdemeanors of stalking and sexual assault disqualify a person from owning, possessing or controlling a firearm or ammunition. (HB 625 HD1)

Support ___ **Oppose** ___ **Unsure** ___

Prohibiting the actual possession of any firearm while consuming alcohol outside of the home. (HB 626 HD1)

Support ___ **Oppose** ___ **Unsure** ___

Temporarily prohibits a person listed in the federal Terrorist Screening Database from owning, possessing, or controlling a firearm or ammunition. Requires surrender or disposal of firearms and ammunition. (HB 1813 HD1)

Support ___ **Oppose** ___ **Unsure** ___

Authorizes county police departments to enroll firearms applicants and individuals who are registering their firearms into a criminal record monitoring service used to alert police when an owner of a firearm is arrested for a criminal offense anywhere in the country. (HB 2629)

Support ___ **Oppose** ___ **Unsure** ___

Requires firearms owners who have been disqualified from owning a firearm and ammunition due to mental illness to immediately surrender their firearms and ammunition to the Chief of Police. (HB 2632 / SB 2956 SD1)

Support ___ **Oppose** ___ **Unsure** ___

Requires hunters to obtain permission from landowners, occupiers, or holders of private lands to hunt on private lands. (SB 2802 SD1)

Support ___ **Oppose** ___ **Unsure** ___

Allows permanent resident aliens to receive a permit to acquire a firearm. (SB 2955 SD1)

Support ___ **Oppose** ___ **Unsure** ___

Authorizes the Hawai'i Criminal Justice Data Center to access firearm registration data. Requires the county police departments to perform an inquiry on a firearm applicant who is bringing a firearm into the State. (SB 2954 SD2)

Support ___ **Oppose** ___ **Unsure** ___

Requires the courts to provide information relating to adult guardianships to the Hawai'i Criminal Justice Data Center to disclose to the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Instant Criminal Background Check System database for gun control purposes. (SB 2813 SD1)

Support ___ **Oppose** ___ **Unsure** ___

You may also submit your answers to this survey at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/G3Q8YS7>

Legislative Timetable

MARCH

- 4th **First Decking: Last day to file non-budget bills for Third Reading in originating chamber**
- 10th **First Crossover (Bills)**
- 11th **Last day to introduce Substantive Resolutions**
- 14th **Budget Decking**
- 16th **Budget Crossover**
- 17th **Second Triple Referral Filing (Bills)**
- 24th **Second Lateral (Bills): Bills must be moved to final committee in non-originating chamber**
- 25th **Holiday: Kūhiō Day; Good Friday**
- 29th **First Lateral for Concurrent Resolutions**

APRIL

- 7th **First Crossover for Concurrent Resolutions**
- 8th **Second Decking (Bills): Last day to file bills for Third Reading in non-originating body**
- 14th **Second Crossover (Bills) & Last day to disagree**
- 22nd **Constitutional Amendments: Deadline for final form**
- 25th **Second Crossover Concurrent Resolutions**
- 28th **Last Day to file Non-Fiscal Bills to deck for Final Reading**
- 29th **Last day to file Fiscal Bills to deck for Final Reading**

MAY

- 5th **Adjournment sine die (Session over)**



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HOUSE BILLS FOR CROSSOVER

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VETERANS

HB 1807 HD2: Authorizes reserve and national guard members to receive paid military leave while on inactive-duty training.

HB 2489: Appropriates funds for the establishment of a Veterans Services Counselor IV position within the Office of Veterans' Services to assist all veterans, with a primary focus on female veterans.

HB 2490 HD2: Exempts selected disabled veterans from motor vehicle registration fees and taxes.

HB 2741 HD1: Appropriates moneys for the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts to establish an Arts in the Military Program.

HB 2491 HD1: Appropriates funds for programs, ceremonies, and activities commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the Vietnam War.

HB 2755 HD2: Requires the Chief Information Officer to develop and maintain an incident response plan to cyber-attacks for each executive branch department in the State. Sets out the scope of an incident response plan.

HB 2489: Appropriates funds for the establishment of a veterans services counselor IV position within the Office of Veterans' Services to assist all veterans, with a primary focus on female veterans.

HB 2618 HD2: Deletes appropriations for capital renovations, as a source of funds for the Works of Art Special Fund.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

HB 2550 HD1: Appropriates funds to the department of business, economic development, and tourism for the purpose of promoting, regulating, and administering the Made in Hawai'i brand program.

HB 2545 HD1: Establishes the high-growth grant program and special fund to provide grants to qualified businesses for certain business development activities. Makes an appropriation.

HB 2262 HD1: Appropriates funds for the continuation of the manufacturing grant program, within High Technology Development Corporation.

HB 2486 HD3: Establishes a Kapolei Jobs Initiative Program that offers tax incentives to increase the number of businesses willing to establish or relocate themselves in the Kapolei region.

HB 2289 HD2: Amends the eligible uses of community-based economic development grants to include technical assistance. Amends grant eligibility criteria. Reduces the size of community-based economic development advisory council. Appropriates funds.

HB 2264 HD1: Makes an appropriation to the High Technology Development Corporation for the provision of technology internship grants and development of programs to support the local talent pipeline for the technology industry.

HB 2704 HD2: Establishes exemptions from Hawaii securities law for limited intrastate investments with Hawai'i businesses.

HEALTH

HB 1878 HD1: Appropriates funds for the Kupuna Care Program, Aging and Disability Resource Center, fall prevention and early detection services for the elderly, the Healthy Aging Partnership Program, an Alzheimer's disease and related dementia services coordinator position, and an Alzheimer's disease and related dementia public awareness program.

HB 2227 HD2: Appropriates funds to continue the operations of the Statewide Language Access Resource Center and Multilingual Website Pilot Project within the Office of Language Access.

HB 1672 HD2: Authorizes a beneficiary of a prescription drug benefit plan to obtain a prescription without penalty from a non-network retail community pharmacy located within fourteen miles of the beneficiary's residence, if the nearest network retail community pharmacy is located more than fourteen miles away.

HB 2082 HD1: Amends requirements relating to adoption records. Allows adopted individuals who have attained the age of eighteen and their natural parents access to the adopted individual's sealed adoption records upon submission to the family court of a written request for inspection.

HB 1852 HD1: Clarifies that nonprofit organizations may receive loans from the Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund to engage in activities that are consistent with the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, including the planning, designing, and construction of wastewater treatment works.

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HEALTH (CONTINUED)

HB 1757 HD1: Authorizes a pharmacy to provide a customized patient medication package to any patient of an institutional facility or any member of the general public, subject to certain conditions.

HB 2434 HD1: Appropriates funds to establish and staff an advanced life support medic unit in Puna on the Island of Hawai'i and for emergency medical services for North Kona.

HB 2478: Authorizes the State to submit and implement a waiver from certain provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010.

HB 254 HD2: Allows for the dispensing of biosimilar medicines under specified conditions. Regulates interchangeable biological products.

HB 2494: Authorizes DOE employees to volunteer to administer or assist a student with blood glucose monitoring.

HB 2517 HD2: Adds county-certified cesspools within 200 feet of an existing sewer system to the definition of "qualified cesspool" for the purposes of determining eligibility for an upgrade, conversion, or connection income tax credit.



Rep Evans with Honoka'a High School students from Future Farmers of America.

AGRICULTURE

HB 1996 HD1: Establishes a two-year Agricultural Theft and Vandalism Pilot Project in the Department of Agriculture to focus on investigating and prosecuting agricultural theft and agricultural vandalism in the County of Hawai'i.

HB 1597 HD1: Appropriates funds to the Department of Agriculture for research and mitigation efforts relating to the rapid ohia death disease in the State. Requires the Department to submit a report to the Legislature.

HB 2546 HD1: Establishes the Agriculture Grant Program and Agriculture Grant Program Special Fund to provide grants to qualified farmers for certain farming activities. Makes an appropriation.

HB 1869 HD1: Appropriates funds to the Department of Agriculture to assist and fund the National Wildlife Research Center with research of the negative impacts of the rose-ringed parakeet on Kauai and development and implementation of a control plan to reduce the negative impacts

HB 2657 HD2: Provides loans from the Maui County Revolving Loan Program to Molokai farmers and ranchers to reimburse costs of mandated food safety compliance audits and other related costs. Appropriates moneys to the Maui Office of Economic Development to review and approve applications for the loan program.

HB 2676 HD2: Establishes, within College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources 's agribusiness incubator program, a five-year energy independent farming community pilot project.

AGRICULTURE (CONTINUED)

HB 1997: Implements the recommendation of the Hawai'i agriculture workforce advisory board to create a agriculture workforce development pipeline initiative to conduct training on all islands for teachers and school administrators in agricultural self-sufficiency.

HB 1999 HD1: Establishes within the Livestock Revitalization Program a grant program for qualified feed developers. Appropriates funds for the Feed Developer Grant Program, reimbursements to qualified producers for feed costs, and a survey of local feed ingredient sources.

HB 2582 HD1: Requires the Department of Agriculture to develop and implement an Agricultural Food Safety Certification Program that concurrently complies with the FDA Food Safety Modernization Act as it applies to farmers and ranchers. Authorizes and appropriates funds for program staff.

HB 1982: Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to assist Big Island Dairy, LLC, with the operation of its dairy farm in Ookala.

HB 2424 HD1: Requires Department of Agriculture to establish or participate in private-public partnerships to enhance the biosecurity program and quarantine inspection process.

HB 2542 HD2: Directs the Auditor to audit the plant quarantine branch of the Department of Agriculture.

HB 2596: Appropriates moneys to DOA to research and develop methods for the prevention and treatment of macadamia felted coccid.