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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, March 27, 2025
TIME: 3:30 p.m.
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
Conference Room 308
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A #2

[SB 1419, SD1, HD1](#)
[\(HSCR1342\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO ACT 253, SESSION LAWS OF HAWAII 2023.
Updates the name of the Neighbor Islands Blind and Visually Impaired Service Pilot Program established by Act 253, SLH 2023, by replacing the term "visually impaired" with the term "low vision" and clarifies the pilot program's implementation timeframes. Sunsets 6/30/2029. (HD1)

HSH, FIN

[SB 298, SD1, HD1](#)
[\(HSCR1339\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES.
Appropriates funds to be expended by the Department of Human Services to increase funding for Medicaid in-home services. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

HSH, FIN



<u>SB 960, SD1, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR1368)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. Appropriates funds to the Department of Human Services to improve Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program rates, including establishing additional positions. Effective 7/1/2027. (HD1)	HSH, FIN
<u>SB 952, SD2</u> <u>(HSCR1211)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO CHILD WELFARE SERVICES. Requires the Department of Human Services, in collaboration with the Office of Wellness and Resilience to design a 5-year Child Welfare System Diversion and Intervention Pilot Program to support families and children involved, at risk of involvement, or at risk of reinvolvement with child welfare services. Specifies that the Department of Human Services shall implement and administer the pilot program. Allows the Department to contract with public and private entities to provide necessary services. Requires reports to the Legislature. Appropriates funds. (SD2)	HSH, FIN
<u>SB 304, SD1, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR1462)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO THE JUDICIARY. Establishes positions and appropriates funds for Adult Client Services Branch of the First Circuit Court. Effective 4/23/2057. (HD1)	JHA, FIN
<u>SB 264, SD1</u> <u>(HSCR1292)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO THE EXAMINATION OF CRIMINAL DEFENDANTS. Establishes the amount of compensation for private-sector examiners who evaluate a criminal defendant's penal responsibility or fitness to proceed in a legal case. Appropriates funds. Effective 4/23/2057. (SD1)	JHA, FIN
<u>SB 428</u> <u>(HSCR1294)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO WITNESS FEES. Increases the fees paid to witnesses in civil and criminal trials. Changes the fees paid for travel expenses from 20 cents a mile to the mileage allowance prescribed by the Administrator of General Services. Authorizes reimbursement to witnesses in civil trials for use of common carriers.	JHA, FIN
<u>SB 1316, SD1, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR1334)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO COURT-ORDERED PAYMENTS. Requires the Judiciary to contract with a collection agency or licensed attorney to collect delinquent court-ordered fees, fines, sanctions, and court costs. Repeals the authority of the Judiciary to contract with a collection agency or licensed attorney to collect delinquent restitution. Expressly allows courts to specify a period of time or installments for payment of fees and restitution. Requires district courts to hold payment compliance hearings once per year or as soon as practicable, until all fees, fines, and restitution are fully paid, and requires a defendant in district court to appear and show cause if the defendant fails to pay in full within a time specified by the court or fails to pay three consecutive installments. Makes conforming amendments to related statutes. Appropriates funds. Effective 4/23/2057. (HD1)	JHA, FIN
<u>SB 662, SD1, HD2</u> <u>(HSCR1448)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION. Authorizes county police officers to enforce the Statewide Traffic Code on all public streets, roadways, or highways within the State. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD2)	HSG/TRN, JHA, FIN



SB 414, SD2, HD2 (HSCR1427) Status	RELATING TO RESTORING ACCESS TO DISASTER-AFFECTED AREAS. Requires the Department of Transportation to institute proceedings to condemn certain lands in Lahaina to build a new access road from Keawe Street to the Kilohana and Kalaiola sites developed in the Villages of Leialii. Appropriates funds out of the Major Disaster Fund for the appraisals and other preparations for the condemnation proceedings. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)	HSG, PBS, FIN
SB 65, SD2, HD1 (HSCR1359) Status	RELATING TO HOUSING. Appropriates funds to the Hawaii Public Housing Authority for the rehabilitation, remodeling, renovation, and repair of housing units. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	HSG, FIN
SB 576, SD1, HD1 (HSCR1356) Status	RELATING TO FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION. Amends the required contents of legislative reports to be submitted by the Hawaii Public Housing Authority and Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation. Amends the scope of moneys to be deposited into and the purposes of the Public Housing Special Fund. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD1)	HSG, FIN
SB 1229, SD2, HD1 (HSCR1347) Status	RELATING TO THE DWELLING UNIT REVOLVING FUND. Extends the Dwelling Unit Revolving Fund Equity Pilot Program to 6/30/2030. Gives preference to for-sale housing development projects developed under governmental assistance programs approved by the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	HSG, FIN
SB 572, SD1, HD1 (HSCR1348) Status	RELATING TO HOUSING. Adds loan funds administered by Nonprofit Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs) for certain for-sale affordable housing projects to the list of loan priorities for the Affordable Homeownership Revolving Fund. Expands the use of moneys in the revolving fund to allow financing as matching funds for CDFIs to mobilize other funding sources. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	HSG, FIN
SB 26, SD2, HD2 (HSCR1484) Status	RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING. Establishes the Affordable Housing Land Inventory Task Force to conduct a study, subject to legislative appropriation, to assess the viability of housing development in transit-oriented development zones or other areas on state or county lands. Requires a report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)	HSG, WAL, FIN
SB 1002, SD2, HD2 (HSCR1404) Status	RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING. Beginning 7/1/2027, requires the State Historic Preservation Division of the Department of Land and Natural Resources to contract its review of proposed state projects and projects affecting historic properties to third-party consultants under certain circumstances. Requires the Department of Land and Natural Resources to publish a draft of its proposed rules and later present its proposed final rules to the Board of Land and Natural Resources. Appropriates funds. Sunsets 7/1/2032. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)	HSG, WAL, FIN



[SB 826, SD1, HD1](#)
[\(HSCR1352\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO THE LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT.
Specifies that the School Facilities Authority is not eligible as a housing developer for the purposes of the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

HSG, FIN

[SB 944, SD2, HD1](#)
[\(HSCR1357\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO THE LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT.
Clarifies that a partner or member that is a partnership or limited liability company that has been allocated a low-income housing tax credit may either further allocate the credit or transfer, sell, or assign all or a portion of the credit to any taxpayer. Extends the sunset date of Act 129, SLH 2016, relating to the low-income housing tax credit, until 12/31/2032. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

HSG, FIN

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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Rep. Kyle T. Yamashita
Chair

