

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
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REGULAR SESSION OF 2025

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CORRECTED NOTICE OF HEARING

**Start time of hearing amended from 2 p.m. to 2:15 p.m..**

DATE: Friday, January 31, 2025  
TIME: ~~2:00 p.m.~~ 2:15 p.m.  
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE  
Conference Room 309  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

[HB 223](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO PHARMACY.  
Establishes the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy Special Fund to support pharmacist workforce assessment and planning efforts.  
Establishes the pharmacist workforce assessment fee. Appropriates funds.

HED, CPC, FIN

[HB 940](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT HILO.  
Appropriates funds for the rat lungworm lab at the University of Hawaii at Hilo.

HED, FIN

[HB 546](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE.  
Establishes and appropriates funds to establish the aloha intelligence institute within the university of Hawaii to develop, support, and advance artificial intelligence initiatives statewide.

HED, ECD, FIN



[HB 549](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO AN EARLY LEARNING APPRENTICESHIP  
GRANT PROGRAM.

HED, HSH, FIN

Establishes an Early Learning Apprenticeship Grant Program to be administered by the University of Hawaii to provide financial support for early learning program service providers in the State to participate in state- or federally-approved early learning apprenticeship programs. Requires an annual report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds.

[HB 1172](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO DEPARTMENTAL DATA SHARING.

HED, LAB, FIN

Adds the Department of Taxation to the list of state agencies sharing data through the statewide longitudinal data system. Allows the Department of Taxation to provide the University of Hawaii and other state agencies certain wage data.

[HB 1320](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

HED, FIN

Requires the University of Hawaii system to collect, analyze, and publicly report certain graduate outcome data. Requires and appropriates moneys for the development and maintenance of a graduate outcomes dashboard. Appropriates moneys for 2.0 FTE positions within the University of Hawaii's Office of the Vice President of Academic Strategy. Requires annual reports to the Legislature.

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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Rep. Andrew Takuya Garrett  
Chair

