HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THE THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE **REGULAR SESSION OF 2025**

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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, February 5, 2025

TIME: 9:00 AM

VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE PLACE:

Conference Room #430

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

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AGENDA

HB 295 Status	RELATING TO HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS. Provides that a living beneficiary's place on the Department of Hawaiian Home Land's waitlist for any residential, agricultural or pastoral tract may be designated for transfer to a successor if the living beneficiary dies before receiving an offer for a tract; provided that the successor shall be at least 1/25 Hawaiian.	HSG, JHA, FIN
HB 199 Status	RELATING TO THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY. Includes any parcels owned by the Hawaii Public Housing Authority as areas that may be closed to the public. Specifies required signage.	HSG, JHA
HB 1096 Status	RELATING TO TENANT SELECTION. Repeals the tenant selection preferences for disabled veterans and the spouses of deceased veterans in the State Low-Income Housing Program.	HSG, PBS, JHA

HB 1097 Status	RELATING TO PUBLIC HOUSING EVICTIONS. Reduces the time required to store unclaimed personal effects of an evicted tenant.	HSG, FIN
HB 1095 Status	RELATING TO THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY. Amends section 356D-6.7, HRS, to include all Hawaii Public Housing Authority parcels as areas that may be closed to the public.	HSG, JHA
HB 1093 Status	RELATING TO THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY. Clarifies the Hawaii Public Housing Authority's powers relating to housing projects.	HSG, JHA
HB 1094 Status	RELATING TO THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY. Allows the Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) to sell, donate, or dispose of property abandoned or seized in federal public housing projects. Requires the HPHA to notify the known owner of the abandoned or seized property. Creates procedures for persons entitled to the abandoned or seized property.	HSG, JHA
HB 1056 Status	RELATING TO THE STRENGTHEN HAWAII HOMES PROGRAM. Establishes the Strengthen Hawaii Homes Program to encourage single-family homeowners to retrofit their homes to resist damage by providing for grants to help offset the cost of retrofits. Appropriates funds.	HSG, CPC, FIN
HB 1013 Status	RELATING TO IMPORTANT AGRICULTURAL LANDS. Repeals the provision authorizing farm dwellings and farm employee housing on important agricultural lands, amends the provision for priority permit processing to include farm cluster housing, and adopts a new provision establishing farm cluster housing to incentivize the designation of lands as important agricultural lands pursuant to chapter 205, HRS.	HSG, AGR, FIN
HB 1294 Status	RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL WORKFORCE HOUSING. Requires the Department of Agriculture to establish an Agricultural Workforce Housing Working Group to address the shortage and challenges of agricultural workforce housing in the State. Requires reports to the Legislature. Appropriates funds.	HSG, AGR, FIN
HB 89 Status	RELATING TO TEACHER HOUSING. Establishes the Teacher Home Assistance Program to provide housing vouchers to certain eligible teachers. Appropriates funds out of the Teachers' Housing Revolving Fund.	HSG, EDN, FIN
HB 276 Status	RELATING TO CONDOMINIUMS. Excludes a homeowner-developer from the annual requirement to file a developer's report and pay a fee if the homeowner's development consists of no more than two units, one in which the developer resides and one for which the initial sale of the other unit has been completed.	HSG, CPC, FIN
HB 528 Status	RELATING TO RESIDENTIAL LEASEHOLDS. Exempts state and county lands leased after July 1, 2025, for an initial period of not less than ninety-nine years from chapters 516 and 516D, Hawaii Revised Statutes.	HSG, WAL, JHA

<u>HB 415</u> RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY. HSG, PBS, CPC

Status Amends the sunset date of Act 83, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, to

repeal section 46-19.8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, on June 29, 2025.

HB 1467 RELATING TO HOUSING RESILIENCY. HSG, CPC, FIN

Status Establishes the strengthen Hawaii homes program within the

Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to administer grants to retrofit residential properties located in historically vulnerable areas to enhance resilience against disaster impacts and reduce potential insurance liabilities. Establishes the strengthen Hawaii homes program special fund. Appropriates moneys from the

special fund.

HB 741 RELATING TO HOUSING. HSG, LAB, FIN

Status Exempts certain projects funded by the Affordable Homeownership

Revolving Fund from prevailing wages provisions.

NOTICE OF DECISION MAKING

The following measure(s) were previously heard on January 31, 2025. No public testimony will be accepted.

HB 1 RELATING TO BUILDING CODES. HSG, CPC, FIN

<u>Status</u> Amends responsibilities of the State Building Code Council.

<u>HB 745</u> RELATING TO BUILDING CODES. HSG, JHA, FIN

Status Beginning 1/1/2028, makes the most recent Hawaii state building

codes adopted by the state building code council supersede all existing county building codes and thereafter allows counties to remove requirements of the state building codes or add requirements to the state building codes only with prior council approval. Repeals the counties' authority to adopt, amend, and update the Hawaii state building codes for their respective county building codes.

HB 1321 RELATING TO THE HAWAII STATE BUILDING CODES. HSG, JHA

Status Requires the counties to adopt the Hawaii state building codes no later

than one year after its adoption. Authorizes a county with a population in excess of 500,000 to amend its building energy conservation code to

require more stringent energy-saving performance.

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

Persons wishing to offer comments should submit testimony at least <u>24 hours</u> 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. Luke A. Evslin Chair