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THE THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE  
REGULAR SESSION OF 2025

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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Friday, February 7, 2025  
TIME: 1:16 PM  
PLACE: Conference Room 229 & Videoconference  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street  
TIMESLOT: WTL

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A G E N D A

[SB 18](#)

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RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION.  
Makes appropriations into and out of the Hawaii Historic Preservation Special Fund to the State Historic Preservation Division to inventory historic properties and burial sites in the State, collect data on burial site locations, and conduct an archaeological surface survey.

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**SB 1002**

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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 if the projects involve the development of affordable housing and the division, after an initial evaluation, determines it will not be able to complete its review within sixty days. Establishes requirements for qualified third-party consultants providing review services. Requires the project proponent to pay for the reasonable fee requirements of the third-party consultant. Allows the project proponent to contract or sponsor with any county, housing authority, non-profit organization, or person, to meet the third-party consultant fee requirement. Requires DLNR to publish a draft of its proposed rules within one year, and within one year thereafter, present its proposed final rules to the Board of Land and Natural Resources. Appropriates funds.

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WAM/JDC

**SB 1266**

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RELATING TO BURIAL SITES.  
Establishes an inter-division program within the Department of Land and Natural Resources consisting of certain agencies to address the location, movement, and restoration of Hawaiian burial sites or 'iwi, exposed or likely to be exposed by coastal erosion. Requires a report to the Legislature. Makes appropriations.

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Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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- Testifiers for this hearing will be limited to **2 minutes** each.

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Senator Lorraine R. Inouye  
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