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COMMITTEE REFERRALS

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Committee Abbreviations:

AGR - Agriculture & Food Systems	HSG - Housing
CAA - Culture & Arts	HSH - Human Services & Homelessness
CPC - Consumer Protection & Commerce	JHA - Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
ECD - Economic Development & Technology	LAB - Labor
EDN - Education	LMG - Legislative Management
EEP - Energy & Environmental Protection	PBS - Public Safety
FIN - Finance	TOU - Tourism
HED - Higher Education	TRN - Transportation
HLT - Health	WAL - Water & Land

		<u>Committee REFERRAL</u>
<u>SB529, SD1</u>	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Appropriates funds to the Department of Education for its Hoakea Program. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)	EDN, FIN
<u>SB552, SD1</u>	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Requires the Department of Agriculture to establish a Healthy Soils Program. Requires an annual report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)	AGR, FIN
<u>SB694</u>	RELATING TO THE DETENTION OF MINORS. Prohibits minors from being held in jails, lockups, or prisons for adults.	HSH, JHA

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<u>SB780</u>	RELATING TO ELECTIONS. Specifies that election ballots issued by the Chief Election Officer or county clerk shall exclude any candidate who is disqualified by a constitutional or statutory provision. Provides for a process for challenging an inclusion or exclusion of a candidate from a ballot. Includes a candidate's disqualification as grounds for an election contest complaint. Specifies that electors of presidential and vice presidential candidates shall not be individuals who are disqualified by a constitutional or statutory provision.	JHA
<u>SB855, SD1</u>	RELATING TO HAWAII RETIREMENT SAVINGS ACT. Clarifies the definition of "covered employer" under the Hawaii Retirement Savings Act. Requires covered employers to automatically enroll covered employees into the Hawaii Retirement Savings Program unless the employee opts out. Repeals the limit on the total fees and expenses that can be spent for the Program each year. Appropriates funds to the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations for the development and operation of the Program. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)	LAB, FIN
<u>SB1300, SD1</u>	RELATING TO SCHOOL MEALS. Appropriates funds to the Department of Education for meal subsidies for students whose families are classified as asset limited, income constrained, employed (ALICE) households. Requires the Department of Education to adopt administrative rules. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)	EDN, FIN
<u>SB1464</u>	RELATING TO CONFORMITY TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE. Conforms Hawaii income and estate and generation-skipping transfer tax laws to the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended as of December 31, 2024.	FIN
<u>SB1465, SD1</u>	RELATING TO PASS-THROUGH ENTITY TAXATION. For taxable years beginning after 12/31/2024, requires all qualified members claiming a credit for pass-through entity taxation to adjust their income to include the qualified member's share of taxes paid by an electing pass-through entity. Effective July 1, 2050.	FIN

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SB1466	RELATING TO THE EARNED INCOME TAX CREDIT. Clarifies that nonresidents who claim the refundable earned income tax credit are required to adjust the amount claimed using the ratio of their Hawaii adjusted gross income to federal adjusted gross income. Eliminates the unlimited carryforward on nonrefundable earned income tax credits for tax year 2022.	FIN
SB1467	RELATING TO TAX APPEALS. Clarifies that a notice of appeal relating to an appeal of a county tax is not required to be served on the Director of Taxation.	JHA
SB1470	RELATING TO INCOME TAX WITHHOLDING. For taxable years beginning after December 31, 2024, (1) repeals the maximum tax rate that may be considered in determining the amount of income tax that must be withheld and the requirement that a standard deduction allowance be treated as if it was denominated as a withholding exemption, and (2) for the purpose of income tax withholding, permits the Director of Taxation to prescribe a standard deduction allowance in an amount more or less than one whole exemption.	FIN
SB1545	RELATING TO NEPOTISM. Repeals language in the State's Code of Ethics that exempts the Legislative Branch from prohibitions against nepotism in public employment.	LMG, JHA
SB1567, SD1	RELATING TO THE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION SYSTEMS. Requires the Department of Human Resources Development to complete a comprehensive review of the classification and compensation systems for all positions within the State's executive branch. Allows the Department to contract with a third-party, in accordance with chapter 103D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to assist the Department in its timely completion of the review. Requires reports to the Legislature. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/2050.	LAB, FIN
SB1588, SD1	RELATING TO NUCLEAR ENERGY. Establishes the Nuclear Energy Task Force within the Hawaii State Energy Office. Requires reports to the Legislature. Effective 5/13/2040. (SD1)	EEP, FIN