

AMENDED THE SENATE
KA 'AHA KENEKOA

THE THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION OF 2026

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM

Senator Lynn DeCoite, Chair
Senator Glenn Wakai, Vice Chair

MEASURES DEFERRED TO TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2026

DATE: Tuesday, February 17, 2026
TIME: 1:00pm
PLACE: Conference Room 229 & Videoconference
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street
TIMESLOT: EDT

DECISION MAKING ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE(S):

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A M E N D E D A G E N D A

SB 2693

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RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FOR AEROSPACE INFRASTRUCTURE.
Authorizes the issuance of \$15 million in general obligation bonds to finance the planning, design, and construction of a 50,000 square foot aerospace hangar and related facilities at Hilo international airport. Requires matching contributions from the federal government and private sector. Directs appropriation to be expended by the Department of Transportation. Requires a report to the Legislature prior to 2028 Regular Session.

TRS/EDT, WAM

SB 2698

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RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.
Requires the Department of Transportation to assess a per passenger head fee against cruise ships docking in the State's commercial harbors. Establishes the Cruise Ship Special Fund. Repeals existing law imposing the Transient Accommodations Tax on cruise ships, effective retroactive to 1/1/2026.

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WAM/JDC

SB 2374

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RELATING TO A BLUE ECONOMY.
Establishes the Blue Economy Working Group to study how to develop and support marine-based economic activities that align with the State's decarbonization and restorative food production goals. Requires a report to the Legislature.

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**[Measure added
on 02-13-26]**

Decision making meeting only, no public testimony will be accepted.

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