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THE THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION OF 2026

COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, CULTURE AND THE ARTS

Senator Chris Lee, Chair
Senator Lorraine R. Inouye, Vice Chair

MEASURES DEFERRED TO FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2026

DATE: Friday, February 13, 2026
TIME: 1:00 PM
PLACE: Conference Room 224 & Videoconference
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street
TIMESLOT: WLA

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 2341

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RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION.
Authorizes SHPD to conduct a phased review of a proposed project on private property under certain circumstances. Amends the process and deadlines by which SHPD must provide written concurrence or non-concurrence for a proposed project on private property or other project that requires entitlement for use, after which concurrence may be assumed and the project may proceed.

WLA, JDC

SB 2306

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RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE FEES.
Makes permanent, rather than repealing upon the adoption of relevant administrative rules, the Department of Land and Natural Resources' authority to establish a transaction fee for certain services rendered by the Bureau of Conveyances for each recording in the Bureau of Conveyances and Land Court. Amends the authorized uses of moneys in the Bureau of Conveyances Special Fund. Repeals language that required the Bureau of Conveyances' microfilm fees to be established by rules. Effective 1/1/2027.

WLA, WAM

SB 2782

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Requires the Bureau of Conveyances to void any recorded instrument that was fraudulently notarized when attested to by the purported notary public. Requires the Bureau of Conveyance to allow title holders to suspend additional recordings on their title, unless given prior authorization by the title holder, subject to certain limitations.

WLA, JDC

SB 2161

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO LAND USE.

Authorizes rodeos and rodeo activities on lands that are zoned for agricultural use. Defines the term "rodeo and rodeo activities".

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SB 17

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO WILDFIRE MITIGATION.

Establishes the Wildfire Mitigation Working Group. Requires a report to the Legislature. Requires the Office of Planning and Sustainable Development to provide administrative support to the working group. Makes appropriations.

PSM/WLA, WAM

SB 2358

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO SEARCH AND RESCUE.

Requires government entities to seek reimbursement for all or a portion of search or rescue expenses for persons who require rescue after leaving a hiking trail to enter an area closed to the public or hiking on a trail closed to the public, and there is a sign giving notice of the closure.

WLA/PSM,
JDC/WAM

SB 2367

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO STATE BOATING FACILITIES.

Establishes the State Boating Facility Management Lease Program within the Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation of the Department of Land and Natural Resources. Authorizes the Board of Land and Natural Resources to lease management of the entire Ala Wai Small Boat Harbor. Repeals provisions relating to the leasing of certain fast and submerged lands of Ala Wai Boat Harbor. Requires annual reports to the Legislature.

WLA, WAM
[Measure added on 02-06-26]

SB 2240

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO LAND USE.

Requires any petitioner for a district boundary amendment to obtain certification from the Commission on Water Resources Management that enough water is available for the project needs without causing harm to the relevant aquifers and provide that certification to the Land Use Commission.

WLA, JDC
[Measure added on 02-06-26]

SB 2547

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO THE COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT ACT.

Amends the definition of "development," as it pertains to coastal zone management, to exempt state- or county-sponsored infrastructure improvement projects that are consistent with the applicable county's community plans.

WLA, WAM
[Measure added on 02-06-26]

SB 2401

[Status &
Testimony](#)

**RELATING TO REGIONAL SHORELINE MITIGATION
DISTRICTS.**

Authorizes the Office of Planning and Sustainable Development to approve the establishment of regional shoreline mitigation districts to facilitate regional coordination by shoreline property owners to address coastal erosion. Requires the preparation of a regional coastal erosion and sediment management plan for each regional shoreline mitigation district. Establishes procedures for the review of state and county permits associated with regional shoreline mitigation districts. Establishes the support and integration of regional coastline erosion and sediment management planning as a policy under the coastal zone management program. Appropriates moneys and establishes 1.0 FTE temporary position.

WLA, WAM

**[Measure added
on 02-06-26]**

SB 3031

[Status &
Testimony](#)

RELATING TO THE CONVEYANCE TAX.

Requires that all conveyance tax revenues collected from the conveyance or transfer of real property located in whole or in part in a sea level rise exposure area be deposited into the Beach Restoration Special Fund. Allows funds in the Beach Restoration Special Fund to be used to acquire property.

WLA, WAM

**[Measure added
on 02-06-26]**

SB 1406

[Status &
Testimony](#)

RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEWS.

Allows the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands to assume historic preservation review of the effect of any proposed project for lands under its jurisdiction except for projects affecting properties listed or nominated for inclusion in the Hawaii register of historic places or the national register of historic places.

HWN/WLA, JDC

**[Measure added
on 02-10-26]**

SB 521

[Status &
Testimony](#)

**RELATING TO ACCESS TO WATER ON HAWAIIAN HOME
LANDS.**

Requires the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands to work with the appropriate county board or department of water supply to provide access to potable and agricultural water on Hawaiian home lands; provided that any agreement between DHHL and that county board or department of water supply is made available to the public.

HWN/WLA, JDC

**[Measure added
on 02-10-26]**

SB 3247

[Status &
Testimony](#)

RELATING TO HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS.

Establishes a Royal Mausoleum Commission within the Department of Land and Natural Resources to develop and implement policy for the preservation, operation, and outreach of Mauna 'Ala. Allows the Royal Mausoleum Commission to make rules as necessary, employ staff, and receive private or federal funds. Requires the Royal Mausoleum Commission to report annually to the Legislature. Requires the Legislature to appropriate sufficient funds to support the Royal Mausoleum Commission.

HWN/WLA, WAM

**[Measure added
on 02-10-26]**

SB 1654

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RELATING TO LAND TRANSFERS.

Authorizes the transfer of certain lands under the jurisdiction of certain state agencies to the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands.

HWN/WLA, JDC

**[Measure added
on 02-10-26]**

SB 1112

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO THE HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.

Amends the membership of the Hawaii Community Development Authority to include the Chairperson of the Hawaiian Homes Commission or the Chairperson's designee.

WLA/HWN, WAM

[Measure added on 02-10-26]

SB 1301

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION.

Establishes conditions under which archaeological inventory surveys and reconnaissance surveys are required. Establishes conditions under which archaeological permits may be issued and revoked and the practice of archaeology may be temporarily revoked. Modifies the composition and operations of island burial councils. Modifies procedures upon the inadvertent discovery of burial sites.

WLA/HWN, JDC

[Measure added on 02-10-26]

SB 2443

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION.

Amends the definition of "historic property" to require that the property meets the criteria for inclusion in the Hawaii Register of Historic Places or has important value to Native Hawaiians or other ethnic groups of the State due to associations with cultural practices once carried out, or still carried out, at the property or associations with traditional beliefs, events, or oral accounts that are important to history, traditional practices, and cultural identity.

WLA/HWN, JDC

[Measure added on 02-10-26]

SB 2996

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.

Prohibits the harvesting of aquatic life for commercial aquarium purposes, regardless of the method of collection.

WLA/HWN,

CPN/JDC

[Measure added on 02-10-26]

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

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