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BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

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MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DATE: Thursday, April 3, 2025

TIME: 10:00 A.M.

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AGENDA

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Minutes

A. February 20, 2025*

III. New Business

A. Status of OHA Activities: Ka Pouhana/CEO and Administration's Update on OHA's activities.*

1. Informational Briefing on OHA Kūkā Kaiaulu: Na Iwi Kūpuna o Nāue, at Waipa on February 24, 2025
2. Update on Maui Community Meeting Mea'ai & Mana'o - March 11, 2025
3. Update on OHA Administration's Travel Services Expense Project

B. Committee on Beneficiary Advocacy and Empowerment – April 2, 2025

1. 2025 OHA State Legislative Package-Matrix 1*
2. 2025 Legislature: OHA Position on Bills Naming OHA-Matrix 2*
3. 2025 Legislature: OHA Position on Bills Affecting the Public Land Trust-Matrix 3*
4. 2025 Legislature: OHA Position on Bills Affecting Natural Resources and Native Hawaiian Traditional & Customary Practices-Matrix 4*
5. 2025 Legislature: OHA Position on Bills Affecting Native Hawaiian Housing-Matrix 5*
6. 2025 Legislature: OHA Position on Bills Affecting Native Hawaiian Health-Matrix 6*
7. 2025 Legislature: OHA Position on Bills Affecting Native Hawaiian Education -Matrix 7*
8. 2025 Legislature: OHA Position on Bills Affecting Native Hawaiian Economic Development-Matrix 8*
9. 2025 Legislature: OHA Position on Bills Affecting HRS Chapter 6E (Iwi kūpuna) -Matrix 9*

C. Committee on Budget and Finance – March 25, 2025

- 1. Action Item BF # 25-20:** Approval of OHA funding for a Ho‘ākoakoa Lāhui Event Sponsorship to Ulu A'e Learning Center for the 2025 Kapu'uola Hula Festival on April 6, 2025, in the amount of \$2,500*
- 2. Action Item BF # 25-21:** Approval of OHA funding for a Ho‘ākoakoa Lāhui event Sponsorship to Hawai‘i Rise Foundation for the 2025 Mele Manaka 3 Day Community Event on April 24, 2025, to April 26, 2025, in the amount of \$9,450*

IV. Community Concerns and Celebrations

V. Announcements

VI. Adjournment

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Trustee Kaiali‘i Kahele
Chairperson, Board of Trustee

3/28/2025
Date

2025 OHA State Legislative Package - Matrix 1				
Item#	BillNo	Companion	Report	Description
1	HB410	SB269	RELATING TO THE BUDGET OF THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS.	Appropriates moneys to fund the operating expenses of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs for the fiscal biennium beginning on 7/1/2025, and ending on 6/30/2027. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)
2	SB268	HB409	RELATING TO ISLAND BURIAL COUNCILS.	Decreases the size of the Island Burial Councils from nine to seven members. Removes the requirement for the councils to include members having development and large property owner interests. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)
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6	HB1358		RELATING TO THE PUBLIC LAND TRUST WORKING GROUP.	Appropriates moneys to the Office of Hawaiian Affairs to facilitate the hiring of necessary staff and the purchase of equipment and professional services on behalf of the public land trust working group. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD3)
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8	SB534		RELATING TO THE HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.	Clarifies the process by which the Hawaii Community Development Authority may approve residential development on certain parcels of Kakaako Makai. Raises the building height limit and the maximum floor area ratio on certain parcels in the area. Requires a certain percentage of the residential units developed on certain parcels to be allocated to households at or below a certain income level in perpetuity, with priority given to certain essential workforce in the area. Limits the sale of residential units developed in certain residential developments to prospective owner-occupants. Requires the Office of Hawaiian Affairs to determine a Kakaako Makai association fee to be collected from residents, tenants, and lessees of certain parcels to be deposited into a special account in the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Special Fund to fund various services and projects in the Kakaako Makai area. (SD1)
9	SB1600		RELATING TO THE PUBLIC LAND TRUST WORKING GROUP.	Appropriates funds to the Office of Hawaiian Affairs to hire necessary staff, purchase equipment, and retain professional services on behalf of the Public Land Trust Working Group.

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2025 Legislature: OHA Position on Bills Naming OHA - Matrix 2				
ItemNo	BillNo	Companion	Report	Description
1	HB370	SB256	RELATING TO PARTIAL PUBLIC FINANCING OF ELECTIONS.	Increases the amount of partial public campaign financing available for all elective offices. Adjusts the minimum amount of qualifying contributions certain candidates must receive to participate in the program. Increases the matching fund payments for excess qualifying contributions. Appropriates funds for the program and staff. Effective 7/1/3000. (SD1)
2	SB345		RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCING.	Increases the amount of partial public campaign financing available for all elective offices. Adjusts the minimum amount of qualifying contributions certain candidates must receive to participate in the program. Increases the matching fund payments for excess qualifying contributions. Appropriates funds for the program and staff. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)
3	SB903		RELATING TO HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS.	Appropriates moneys to the Office of Hawaiian Affairs to facilitate the hiring of necessary staff and the purchase of equipment and professional services on behalf of the public land trust working group. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)
4	SB1578		RELATING TO INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS.	Establishes the official designation of the East-West Center as the Center for Cultural and Technical Interchange Between East and West, Inc., and exempts state fund appropriations to the East-West Center from chapter 42F, HRS. Renames the Hawaii Sister-State Committee to the Hawaii Sister-State and International Partnerships Commission and amends its functions and membership. Requires the Office of International Affairs to provide support to the Hawaii Sister-State and International Partnerships Commission. Expands the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism's authority to establish out-of-state offices to include out-of-state facilities to support sister-state or province partnerships and other partnerships that promote and enrich the people, cultures, environments, and economies of the State and its international partners, generate revenue for the State, and buy property. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)
5	HCR122	HR118	REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO ESTABLISH A COLLABORATIVE WORKING GROUP TO SURVEY, IDENTIFY, AND MONITOR CULTURALLY SENSITIVE SHORELINES IMPACTED BY EROSION	The establishment of an inter-division program to coordinate efforts among state and county agencies is necessary to ensure the successful coordination of efforts in locating, protecting, and restoring Native Hawaiian burial sites and iwi kupuna affected by coastal erosion. Must include, among others, Chairperson of OHA BOT, or the Chairperson's designee.
6	SCR92	SR75	REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS TO ESTABLISH AND PROVIDE LEGISLATIVE ENGAGEMENT FORUMS TO EDUCATE AND EMPOWER THE NATIVE HAWAIIAN COMMUNITY REGARDING THE LEGISLATIVE PROCESS.	OHA is encouraged to provide legislative engagement forums to educate and empower the Native Hawaiian community regarding the legislative process, and to collaborate with community organizations, educational institutions, and legislative bodies to ensure the accessibility of these forums for this purpose, and provide an annual report to the Legislature.
7	SCR93	SR76	URGING THE GOVERNOR AND THE STATE TO WORK TOWARDS A JUST CLIMATE FUTURE BY INTEGRATING INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE INTO POLICY AND DECISION MAKING PROCESSES RELATED TO CLIMATE ADAPTATION, CLIMATE MITIGATION, AND CLIMATE RESILIENCY.	The Governor and the State are urged to work towards a just climate future by integrating indigenous knowledge into policy and decision-making processes related to climate adaptation, climate mitigation, and climate resiliency; formulate and identify goals to facilitate a just climate future that purposefully and meaningfully includes indigenous knowledge as an integral component; and to invest in, integrate, and practice as a key mechanism to achieving a just climate future, Olelo Hawaii.

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2025 Legislature: OHA Position on Bills Naming OHA - Matrix 2				
ItemNo	BillNo	Companion	Report	Description
8	SCR167	SR136	REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS TO ASSESS ITS READINESS AND ABILITY TO ASSUME STEWARDSHIP OF THE SACRED HAWAIIAN GROUNDS OF MAUNA ALA.	Concerns regarding stewardship and governance of Mauna Ala were raised after ceremonies conducted at the Royal Mausoleum were disallowed despite longstanding traditions, and additional concerns have been raised regarding the proposal to transfer the lands of Mauna Ala from the DLNR to OHA. Certain organizations have expressed their distrust of OHA and dissatisfaction with DLNR's current shortfalls in its care of the sacred grounds. Therefore, OHA is requested to conduct a study assessing its readiness and ability to assume stewardship of the sacred Hawaiian grounds of Mauna Ala.
9	SCR225	SR200	REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO INCREASE KNOWLEDGE AND USE OF NATIVE HAWAIIAN CONCEPTS AND PRACTICES ON HEALTH AND WELL-BEING IN THE STATE COUNCIL ON MENTAL HEALTH.	Requests the Governor to increase knowledge and use of Native Hawaiian concepts and practices on health and well-being in the State Council on Mental Health. The Governor is urged to ensure that at least two members of the Council demonstrate knowledge or work experience involving Native Hawaiian concepts and well-being, culturally grounded mental health methodologies, or traditional healing and health practices, and that Members of the Council receive annual training, conducted by OHA, on topics related to Native Hawaiian healing and health, including training on cultural awareness and loss of ethnic identity.

2025 Legislature: OHA Position on Bills Affecting the Public Land Trust - Matrix 3				
Item#	BillNo	Companion	Report	Description
1	SB439		RELATING TO FEES.	Requires the Board of Land and Natural Resources to adopt rules to impose user fees that apply solely to nonresidents visiting state parks and trails, as selected by the Board. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)
2	SB739		RELATING TO LAND EXCHANGE.	Allows the Governor to negotiate land exchanges, subject to approval by the Board of Land and Natural Resources, to acquire lands that are suitable for long-term diversified agricultural production in exchange for land for private affordable, workforce, or other housing development. Requires a report to the Legislature. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

2025 Legislature: OHA Position on Bills Affecting Natural Resources and Native Hawaiian Traditional & Customary Practices - Matrix 4				
Item #	BillNo	Companion	Report	Description
1	HB86		RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES.	Appropriates moneys to the Department of Land and Natural Resources for the establishment of full-time equivalent permanent Makai Watch Coordinator positions. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)
2	HB306		RELATING TO STATE WATER CODE PENALTIES.	Adds a minimum penalty and maximum penalty per violation of the State Water Code and authorizes the Commission on Water Resource Management to consider each day that a violation exists or continues to exist a separate offense. Establishes factors the CWRM must consider when determining the amount of the penalty. Increases maximum fines every five years from 2030 to 2045. Effective 7/1/2040. (SD1)
3	HB309		RELATING TO FISHPONDS.	Establishes a fishpond inventory working group within the University of Hawaii Sea Grant College Program to create an inventory and map of all fishponds on state land and conduct a literature review. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)
4	HB428	SB1250	RELATING TO FARM TO FAMILIES.	Establishes the Hawaii Farm to Families Program to alleviate food shortages in the State. Requires reports to the Legislature before the Regular Sessions of 2026 and 2027. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)
5	HB505	SB150	RELATING TO RED HILL.	Establishes a WAI Policy Coordinator for coordination of Red Hill WAI initiatives. Creates the Red Hill Remediation Special Fund. Effective 7/1/3000. (SD1)
6	HB969		RELATING TO WASTE OR DISPOSAL FACILITIES.	Prohibits the construction, modification, or expansion of any waste or disposal facility on land that is above a significant aquifer as determined by the Department of Health. Effective 12/31/2050. (SD1)
7	SB252		RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES.	Clarifies that the importation of any pest or material infested or infected with an insect or other animal, disease, or pest is prohibited. Authorizes the Department of Agriculture to administratively inspect any article imported or moved into the State from the continental United States or between the Hawaiian Islands. Prohibits the sale, barter, or donation of items or material that is a pest, is infested or infected with a pest, or prohibited from being sold. Authorizes the Department of Agriculture to compel the quarantine, treatment, or destruction of certain materials. Clarifies penalties for various quarantine and import law violations, based in part on whether violations were knowingly committed. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)
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Item #	BillNo	Companion	Report	Description
9	HB299	SB548	RELATING TO THE HAWAII INVASIVE SPECIES COUNCIL.	Appropriates funds for the Native Resources and Fire Protection Program and Hawaii Invasive Species Council to ensure their long-term viability and continue to control and eradicate invasive species in the State. Effective 7/1/3000. (SD1)
10	HB892		RELATING TO GEOGRAPHICAL RESTRICTIONS.	Establishes limitations on geographical restrictions provided as a condition of probation. (HD1)
11	SB438		RELATING TO WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITIES.	Prohibits landfill units on land in an agricultural district with class A soils. Prohibits the construction, modification, or expansion of any waste or disposal facility for solid waste or hazardous waste on land that is near or above a significant aquifer. Clarifies that beginning July 1, 2025, the existing buffer zone between waste or disposal facilities and residential, school, or hospital property lines applies to municipal solid waste landfill units or components, construction and demolition landfill units, and their components. Prohibits the construction, modification, or expansion of a landfill unit within a no pass zone in a county with a population greater than five hundred thousand, with certain exemptions. Prohibits the use of fly ash, bottom ash, or a combination of fly ash and bottom ash from a municipal waste combustor for certain purposes and imposes requirements on the disposal of these materials. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)
12	SB890		RELATING TO BUSINESS REGULATION.	Requires any products labeled, marketed, or sold as "poi" to contain a label stating whether the poi product is made wholly from kalo grown in the State or from kalo sourced outside the State. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)
13	SB1074		RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS.	Allows an activity or operation that is permitted or authorized under chapter 200, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and renewed within twelve months preceding the initiation of proceedings to determine whether the activity or operation is subject to environmental review to continue operation for one year while the appropriate agency makes the determination and conducts any necessary environmental review. Allows a person with oversight of the activity or operation to renew the appropriate permits while under the environmental review process. Sunsets 6/30/2027. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)
14	HB504		RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP.	Amends the transient accommodations tax rate beginning on 1/1/2027. Beginning 1/1/2027, requires collection of a monthly tax of \$20 per passenger per port entry or any commercial passenger vessel at any port facility under the jurisdiction of the department of taxation. Establishes a Transient Accommodation Tax Enforcement Working Group. Requires the transfer of all agricultural leases under the jurisdiction of the Department of Land and Natural Resources to the Department of Agriculture. Appropriates funds to the Department of Land and Natural Resources for certain environmental stewardship projects. Requires reports to the Legislature. Effective 7/1/3000. (SD1)
15	HB643	SB686	RELATING TO THE COCONUT RHINOCEROS BEETLE PROGRAM.	Establishes short-term management initiatives for the coconut rhinoceros beetle response program. Appropriates funds for activities and positions related to coconut rhinoceros beetle infestation control. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)

2025 Legislature: OHA Position on Bills Affecting Natural Resources and Native Hawaiian Traditional & Customary Practices - Matrix 4				
Item #	BillNo	Companion	Report	Description
16	SB841		RELATING TO MARINE LIFE CONSERVATION DISTRICTS.	Requires the Department of Land and Natural Resources to establish and conduct a Marine Life Conservation District Carrying Capacity Program. Requires the Department of Land and Natural Resources to submit a report to the Legislature and adopt administrative rules. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)
17	SB1051		RELATING TO HAWAIIAN HISTORY MONTH.	Designates September as Hawaiian History Month. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)
18	SB1100		RELATING TO BIOSECURITY.	Part I: Renames the Department of Agriculture to the "Department of Agriculture and Biosecurity". Renames the Board of Agriculture to the "Board of Agriculture and Biosecurity" and amends the composition of the Board. Part II: Establishes and appropriates funds for a Deputy Director of Biosecurity. Part III: Changes references to the plant and animal declaration form to the "biosecurity form". Part IV: Authorizes and specifies conditions under which the Department may declare a biosecurity emergency, during which the Department and Governor may take certain actions to prevent the establishment or spread of pests and prohibited or restricted organisms. Authorizes the Chairperson of the Board to quarantine an area under certain conditions. Broadens the objectives and general actions of the Biosecurity Program. Part V: Requires the Department to establish and regularly update an invasive species dashboard. Authorizes pest management plans to address, contain, or eradicate pests. Part VI: Appropriates funds for positions for the Department. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)
19	SB1396	HB1077	RELATING TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.	Amends the Transient Accommodations Tax rate beginning on 1/1/2027. Assesses the Transient Accommodations Tax on cruise ship cabins based on the total time the cruise ship is docked at any port in the State. Appropriates funds to DLNR for protection, management, and restoration of the State's natural resources as well as for environmental stewardship, climate and hazard mitigation, and sustainable tourism. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)

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2025 Legislature: OHA Position on Bills Affecting Native Hawaiian Housing - Matrix 5				
Item#	BillNo	Companion	Report	Description
1	HB431		RELATING TO HOUSING.	Appropriates funds to the Office of the Governor for the continued implementation of the Kauhale Initiative and Ohana Zones Pilot Program. Appropriates funds to the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation for the development of supportive housing projects and provision of supportive services for certain households in the supportive housing projects. Effective 6/29/3000. (SD1)
2	HB606		RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOMELANDS.	Extends the Act 279 Special Fund to 6/30/2028. Deposits funds into and appropriates funds out of the Act 279 Special Fund to eliminate its waitlist. Requires the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands to submit a strategic plan detailing the anticipated uses of the funds appropriated. Requires an annual report. Sunsets 6/30/2028. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)
3	HB703	SB878	RELATING TO KUPUNA HOUSING.	Extends the sunset date for the State Rent Supplement Program for Kupuna to 6/30/2028. Takes effect 7/1/2050. (SD1)
4	HB1294	SB498	RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL WORKFORCE HOUSING.	Establishes an Agricultural Workforce Housing Working Group within the Department of Agriculture to address the shortage and challenges of agricultural workforce housing in the State. Requires reports to the Legislature. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)

2025 Legislature: OHA Position on Bills Affecting Native Hawaiian Health - Matrix 6				
Item#	BillNo	Companion	Report	Description
1	HB110	SB249	RELATING TO LOCAL AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.	Modifies certain benchmark goals and timeline for the Department of Education to provide locally-sourced agricultural and food products. Takes effect 7/1/2050. (SD1)
2	HB213	SB299 SB1626	RELATING TO LOAN REPAYMENT FOR HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS.	Appropriates funds for the Healthcare Education Loan Repayment Program. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)
3	HB239	SB1104	RELATING TO CHILD ABUSE.	Amends the definition of "child abuse or neglect" to clarify that the failure to provide certain needs to a child shall not constitute child abuse or neglect if the sole reason the person responsible for the care of the child is unable to adequately provide for the child's care is lack of financial resources; and evidence of parental request for support shall not be deemed as evidence of child abuse and neglect. Effective 7/1/3000. (SD1)
4	HB280	SB361	RELATING TO THE COMMUNITY OUTREACH COURT.	Permanently establishes and appropriates funds for the Community Outreach Court as a division of the District Court of the First Circuit. Effective 4/23/2057. (SD1)
5	HB433		RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY.	Requires the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to submit an annual report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds to the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation for reentry services to connect offenders with community-based services. Effective 7/1/3000. (SD1)
6	HB442	SB637	RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.	Appropriates funds to the University of Hawaii system for various nursing programs. Effective 7/31/2050. (SD1)
7	HB714	SB294	RELATING TO HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.	Appropriates funds to support educational training programs to expand the State's health care workforce, including funding to support health care certification programs offered in public high schools and education programs that support certified nurse assistants in becoming licensed practical nurses. Effective 12/31/2050. (SD1)
8	HB784	SB569	RELATING TO HEALTH.	Makes an appropriation for the operation of an additional ambulance for the island of Hawaii to be based in Makalei. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)
9	HB957	SB1101	RELATING TO LAULAU DAY.	Designates the first Friday in May of each year as "Laulau Day" in the State. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)
10	HB1002	SB1321	RELATING TO THE HAWAII CORRECTIONAL SYSTEM OVERSIGHT COMMISSION.	Beginning July 1, 2025, extends the term of the Oversight Coordinator for the Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission. Authorizes the Hawaii Correctional System Commission to review the Coordinator's performance and make a recommendation to the Governor as to whether the Coordinator should be retained. Clarifies that the Oversight Coordinator has the general authority to inspect agencies and correctional facilities without notice. (SD1)

2025 Legislature: OHA Position on Bills Affecting Native Hawaiian Health - Matrix 6				
Item#	BillNo	Companion	Report	Description
11	HB1079	SB1398	RELATING TO TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE.	Directs the Office of Wellness and Resilience to collaborate with the Department of Human Services to, either directly or by contract, design, administer, and implement a program for trauma-informed organizational assessments and a training curriculum for the Department of Human Services Child Welfare Services Branch staff. Appropriates funds. Takes effect 12/31/2050. (SD1)
12	HB1300		RELATING TO CANCER.	Appropriates funds to the University of Hawaii Cancer Center to conduct a multiethnic cohort study focusing on the social determinants of health, lifestyles, environmental exposures, and resilience factors of Native Hawaiians, Pacific Islanders, and Filipinos, including an analysis of the health effects and risks of individuals living in close proximity to landfills in Nanakuli, Oahu. Requires the appropriated funds to be matched by federal funds on a dollar-for-dollar basis before expenditure. Effective 7/1/3000. (SD1)
13	SB104	HB1322	RELATING TO CORRECTIONS.	Restricts the use of restrictive housing in state-operated and state-contracted correctional facilities, with certain specified exceptions. Requires the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to develop written policies and procedures regarding restrictive housing by 7/1/2026. Requires the Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission to review certain housing placements. Requires the Department by 4/1/2026 to develop policies and procedures to review committed persons placed in restrictive housing and develop a plan for committed persons currently in restrictive housing. Requires a report to the Legislature and Hawaii Correctional System Oversight Commission. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)
14	SB224	HB677	RELATING TO IDENTIFICATION.	Requires the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to assist inmates with obtaining civil identification cards and other identification documents within a certain time. (HD1)
15	SB292	HB689	RELATING TO SEXUAL EXPLOITATION.	Establishes safe harbor protections for survivors of sexual exploitation who seek medical or law enforcement assistance. Effective 4/23/2057. (HD1)
16	SB298		RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES.	Appropriates funds to be expended by the Department of Human Services to increase funding for Medicaid in-home services. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)
17	SB299	HB213	RELATING TO LOAN REPAYMENT FOR HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS.	Appropriates funds for the Healthcare Education Loan Repayment Program. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)
18	SB361	HB280	RELATING TO THE COMMUNITY OUTREACH COURT.	Permanently establishes and appropriates funds for the Community Outreach Court as a division of the District Court of the First Circuit. Effective 4/23/2057. (HD1)
19	SB544		RELATING TO SENTENCING OF MINOR DEFENDANTS.	Requires courts to consider certain factors when sentencing a person convicted as an adult for an offense that the person committed when the person was a minor. Allows courts to reduce a mandatory minimum period of incarceration or depart from a mandatory sentencing enhancement if the court determines that the reduction or departure is warranted given certain factors.

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Item#	BillNo	Companion	Report	Description
20	SB694		RELATING TO THE DETENTION OF MINORS.	Prohibits minors from being held in jails, lockups, or prisons for adults.
21	SB742	HB665	RELATING TO DATA SHARING.	Establishes a Data Sharing and Governance Working Group within the Office of Enterprise Technology Services. Requires a report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)
22	SB960		RELATING TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.	Appropriates funds to the Department of Human Services to improve Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program rates, including establishing additional positions. Effective 7/1/2027. (HD1)
23	SB961		RELATING TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.	Requires the Department of Human Services to adjust the minimum certification periods for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits households, participate in the Elderly Simplified Application Project, and report to the Legislature. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)
24	SB1028		RELATING TO YOUTH FEES AND FINES.	Prohibits the assessment of any fees, fines, or court costs against a person who was adjudicated for an offense committed during the person's minority, or against the person's parent or guardian, and discharges all related debt obligations assessed before the effective date of the Act. Limits court-ordered community service for a minor to no more than seventy-two hours. Repeals certain penalties imposed on parents, guardians, or other persons associated with unaccompanied children in streets and unmarried minors in dance halls. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)
25	SB1281	HB557	RELATING TO TELEHEALTH.	Extends the sunset date of Act 107, SLH 2023, which allows for the reimbursement of services provided through telehealth via an interactive telecommunications system, until 12/31/2027. Effective 12/31/2050. (HD1)
26	SB1304	HB985	RELATING TO PESTICIDE DRIFT MONITORING.	Appropriates funds to the Department of Agriculture to continue the statewide pesticide drift monitoring study. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)
27	SB1442	HB1123	RELATING TO MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS.	Clarifies and updates the responsibilities of the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Division of the Department of Health to reflect the current mental health systems of care that address the mental health needs of children and adolescents in the State. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)
28	SB1609		RELATING TO CHILD CARE.	Requires the Department of Human Services to establish and implement an Early Learning Services Contracts Program to make available a designated number of seats at licensed infant and toddler child care centers and group child care centers that meet certain criteria. Requires the Department of Human Services to submit reports to the Legislature. Sunsets the pilot program on 6/30/2028. Effective 12/31/2050. (HD1)

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Item#	BillNo	Companion	Report	Description
29	HB1194		RELATING TO MIDWIVES.	Makes laws regulating midwives and the practice of midwifery permanent. Clarifies the scope of practice of midwifery. Establishes licensure requirements for certified midwives and certified professional midwives. Establishes continuing education requirements. Grants global signature authority to midwives. Grants prescriptive authority to licensed midwives practicing as certified midwives and amends the list of approved legend drugs that may be administered by midwives. Establishes peer review and data submission requirements. Affirms that the practice of midwifery does not include Native Hawaiian traditional and customary practices. Clarifies exemptions from licensure and grounds for refusal to grant, renew, reinstate, or restore licenses or for revocation, suspension, denial, or condition of a license. Clarifies medical record availability and retention requirements for the purposes of medical torts. Effective 6/29/2025. (SD1)
30	HCR8	HR8	URGING THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO INCLUDE HAWAII IN THE MISSING OR MURDERED INDIGENOUS PERSONS REGIONAL OUTREACH PROGRAM.	
31	SR12	SCR16	REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO CONVENE A TASK FORCE TO IDENTIFY AND DEVELOP MINIMUM PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER TRAINING PROGRAMS.	Community health workers are trusted members of local communities who share lived experiences with their neighbors and peers and are experts in navigating complex systems of care and serving as a link between clinical and community-based services and the people who need them most; the resolution names members of a task force to set minimum standards in a report to the legislature before the 2026 session; named members are: 1) A representative from the Department of Health, who shall serve as the chair of the task force; (2) One community health worker from each county; (3) A representative from the Hawaii Public Health Institute; (4) A representative from the Hawaii Public Housing Authority; (5) A representative from the Med-QUEST Division of the Department of Human Services; (6) A representative from the University of Hawaii - West Oahu ; (7) A representative from Kapiolani Community College; (8) A representative from the Healthcare Association of Hawaii; (9) A representative from the Hawaii Association of Health Plans; and (10) Any additional members with appropriate specialized expertise recommended by task force members and approved by the Chair

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Item#	BillNo	Companion	Report	Description
1	HB133	SB178	RELATING TO SURFING.	Appropriates funds to the Department of Education to support the establishment of surfing as an interscholastic sport. Takes effect 7/1/2050. (SD1)
2	HB549	SB426	RELATING TO AN EARLY LEARNING APPRENTICESHIP GRANT PROGRAM.	Establishes an Early Learning Apprenticeship Grant Program to be administered by the University of Hawaii to provide financial support for early learning program service providers in the State to participate in state- or federally-approved early learning apprenticeship programs. Requires an annual report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/31/2050. (SD1)
3	HB1345	SB1524	RELATING TO TEACHER EDUCATION.	Authorizes the Department of Education to subsidize all tuition and mandatory fees for a resident student enrolled in a four-year college campus of the University of Hawaii System with an education program or that offers an education degree for the semester or term that the student enrolls in a State-Approved Teacher Education Program under certain conditions. Effective 7/31/2050. (SD1)
4	SB119	HB617	RELATING TO NURSING.	Appropriates funds to establish the Bachelor of Science in Nursing degree program at the University of Hawaii Maui College. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)
5	SB440		RELATING TO EDUCATION.	Establishes the Future Career and Technical Education Teacher Scholarship Program to be administered by the Department of Education to facilitate the recruitment and retention of career and technical education teachers in Hawaii public schools. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)
6	SB1391	HB1072	RELATING TO EDUCATION.	Appropriates funds to the Department of Education for teacher-requested classroom supplies; provided that the private sector contributes matching funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

2025 Legislature: OHA Position on Bills Affecting Native Hawaiian Economic Development - Matrix 8				
Item#	BillNo	Companion	Report	Description
1	HB430		RELATING TO INTERNSHIPS.	Authorizes the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to enter into contracts with eligible employers or registered apprenticeship programs in the private sector to provide on-the-job training to eligible interns. Requires annual reports to the Legislature. Requires the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to collaborate with the Department of Human Resources Development for placement of interns in state executive branch departments, agencies, and programs. Provides that the State shall be the responsible employer for purposes of workers' compensation coverage for students or recent graduates in the on-the-job-training work experience program, subject to certain limitations. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)
2	HB774		RELATING TO VALUE-ADDED PRODUCTS.	Establishes a food and product innovation network within the Agribusiness Development Corporation. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)
3	SB558		RELATING TO VALUE-ADDED PRODUCTS.	Establishes a Food and Product Innovation Network within the Agribusiness Development Corporation. Appropriates funds for the development of Food and Product Innovation Network facilities. Requires annual reports to the Legislature. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)

2025 Legislature: OHA Position on Bills Affecting HRS Chapter 6E (Iwi kūpuna) - Matrix 9				
Item #	BillNo	Companion	Report	Description
1	SB66		RELATING TO HOUSING.	Requires permits to be issued by applicable permitting agencies within sixty days of a complete application being filed for certain single-family and multi-family housing projects if certain conditions are satisfied. Automatically deems approved a permit that is either not otherwise approved by the applicable permitting agency within sixty days or for which the applicant has agreed to all changes or recommendations to the plans and specifications made by the applicable permitting agency. Pauses the sixty day permit review period under certain circumstances. Sunsets 6/30/2030. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)
2	HB830	SB575	RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEWS.	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, projects on privately-owned historic property, 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 the Department of Land and Natural Resources 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. Effective 7/1/3000. (SD1)
3	SB79		RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION REVIEWS.	Requires the Department of Land and Natural Resources to determine the effect of any proposed housing projects that may affect a historical property, an aviation artifact, or a burial site within ninety days of a request for determination. Establishes historic review requirements based on the project area's known historic, cultural, and archaeological resources. Establishes procedures and notification requirements if previously unidentified human remains or previously unidentified historic or cultural resources are discovered. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)
4	SB1002		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 under certain circumstances. Requires the Department of Land and Natural Resources to publish a draft of its proposed rules and later present its proposed final rules to the Board of Land and Natural Resources. Appropriates funds. Sunsets 7/1/2032. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)

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Item #	BillNo	Companion	Report	Description
5	SB1263	HB738	RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION.	Creates a process for expediting the review of majority-residential mixed-use transit-oriented development or residential transit-oriented development on certain parcels within county-designated transit-oriented development zones that have a low risk of affecting historically significant resources. Authorizes lead agencies, including county governments, to make determinations on the potential effects of a project. Creates a ninety-day limit, or thirty-calendar-day limit if no historic property is to be affected, to concur or not concur with project effect determinations. Exempts projects with written concurrence from further review unless there is a change to the project or additional historic properties, aviation artifacts, or burial sites are identified within the project area. Establishes notice and reporting requirements if there is a change to the project or additional historic properties, aviation artifacts, or burial sites are identified within the project area after the initial written concurrence. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)
6	HB1406		RELATING TO GOVERNMENT PROCEDURES.	Establishes the Intergovernmental Task Force for Permit Simplification to identify actions taken, challenges encountered, and legislative measures necessary to facilitate, expedite, and coordinate state and intergovernmental development permit processes. Appropriates funds. (SD1)