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HAWAII STATE COMMISSION

ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

HAWAII STATE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (HSCSW)

PUBLIC MEETING

Monday, May 18, 2026, 11:00 A.M.

Remote Meeting

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IN PERSON LOCATION: Leiopapa A Kamehameha Building, 235 South Beretania Street, Conference Room 405, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813, 4th Floor.

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TESTIMONY: Written and verbal testimony will be accepted. If you would like to submit written testimony, please send your testimony by email to dhs.hscsw@dhs.hawaii.gov or by mail to 235 S. Beretania St. #407, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 to Executive Director Llasmin Chaîne's attention. Written testimony received after 4:30 p.m. May 15, 2026, cannot be guaranteed to be distributed in the board packet in time for the meeting.

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AGENDA

- I. PUBLIC NOTICE, CALL TO ORDER, ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM (2 Minutes)
- II. PUBLIC COMMENT
 - a. Public testimony on any item relevant to this agenda may be taken at this time, or a testifier may wait to testify at the time the agenda item is called for discussion, pursuant to HRS §92-3.
 - b. Notice of written testimony received, if any.

III. APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 10, 2025 AND FEBRUARY 02, 2026 HSCSW MEETING MINUTES - Discussion and Vote (3 Minutes)

IV. REPORTS – Discussion

a. Executive Director Report (15 Minutes)

i. 2026 Regular Session of the Legislature - advocacy activity, status and debrief

1. Please see below for bill numbers, titles, descriptions, result and HSCSW stance:

Measure/Bill Number(s)	Measure Title	Notes	Description	Lifecycle	Stance
HR85	REQUESTING THE HAWAII STATE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN TO ESTABLISH A WORKING GROUP AND PROVIDE A REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE ON WAYS TO STRENGTHEN PREVENTION, INTERVENTIONS, AND PROTECTIONS FOR SURVIVORS OF IMAGE-BASED SEXUAL ABUSE.	Commission Leading and report due December 2027		Adopted	Support
SR71	REQUESTING THE HAWAII STATE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE OFFICE OF THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU AND DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, TO ESTABLISH A WORKING GROUP AND PROVIDE A REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE ON WAYS TO STRENGTHEN PROTECTIONS FOR SURVIVORS OF IMAGE-BASED SEXUAL ABUSE.	Commission Leading and report due December 2027		Adopted	Support
SCR194/SR183 / HR38	URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO MEET THE CRITERIA NECESSARY TO OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZE CHEERLEADING AS A TITLE IX SPORT IN HAWAII.	Possible future collaborations		Adopted	Support

SCR139/SR131	REQUESTING THE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL TO RECOMMEND TO THE GOVERNOR, FOR INCLUSION IN THE STATE UNIFIED PLAN, A COMPREHENSIVE STATEWIDE WORKFORCE STRATEGY TO ENSURE THAT ALL PEOPLE OF THE STATE HAVE A PATHWAY TO A CAREER THAT ENABLES THEM TO LEARN, WORK, AND THRIVE IN THE STATE AND CONTRIBUTE TO A VIBRANT LOCAL ECONOMY GROUNDED IN COMMUNITY VALUES BY 2045.	Continued monitoring and collaboration needed		Adopted	Support
SR9/SCR11	REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO PASS LEGISLATION TO AMEND THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964 TO PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, AND GENDER IDENTITY IN EMPLOYMENT, HOUSING, PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS, EDUCATION, FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAMS, CREDIT, AND JURY SERVICE.			Adopted	Support
HR110/SR82	URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO STRENGTHEN MENSTRUAL HEALTH EDUCATION INITIATIVES AND TO ADOPT A COMPREHENSIVE MENSTRUAL CYCLE CURRICULUM.			Adopted	Support
SR25	URGING STATE AGENCIES AND THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII WILLIAM S. RICHARDSON SCHOOL OF LAW TO COLLABORATE TO DEVELOP EXTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR LAW STUDENTS TO ASSIST IN THE COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW			Adopted	Support

	AND UPDATE OF THE HAWAII ADMINISTRATIVE RULES.				
SR7/HR5/SCR7	AFFIRMING AND SUPPORTING THE REQUIREMENT THAT HOSPITALS PROVIDE LIFE-SAVING EMERGENCY CARE TO PREGNANT PEOPLE, INCLUDING REPRODUCTIVE AND ABORTION SERVICES, WHEN SUCH CARE IS MEDICALLY NECESSARY TO STABILIZE A PATIENT UNDER THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT AND ACTIVE LABOR ACT.	Hawaii Women's Legislative Caucus Bill Package Measure		Adopted	Support
SR99	URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO STUDENTS ON HOW TO PREREGISTER TO VOTE BEFORE REACHING VOTING AGE.			Adopted	Support
GM572	Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Commission on the Status of Women, Gubernatorial Nominee, KERESTIN WALKER, for a term to expire 06-30-2026.	New Commissioner		Confirmed	Support
GM778	Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Commission on the Status of Women, Gubernatorial Nominee, JESSICA SHAFFER, for a term to expire 06-30-2030.	New Commissioner		Confirmed	Support
HB2090	RELATING TO DOMESTIC ABUSE ORDERS FOR PROTECTION.		Removes the requirement that requests to withhold from public inspection the petition record of a denied temporary restraining order or denied protective	Enacted	Support

			order be made orally.		
HB1875	RELATING TO HEALTH CARE.	Hawaii Women's Coalition Bill Support	Expands the protections established under Act 2, SLH 2023, to include gender-affirming health care services, including clarifying permitted disclosures of protected health information to address changes in federal regulations. Establishes protections against abusive litigation. Prohibits medical malpractice insurers and health carriers from taking certain adverse actions against health care providers solely on the basis that the health care provider provides lawful reproductive health care services or gender-affirming health care services. (SD2)	Governor's Desk	Support
HB1870	RELATING TO PROTECTED COMMUNITY LOCATIONS.		By 1/1/2027, requires all state and county agencies that operate protected community locations to adopt and post written policies that identify nonpublic areas, establish procedures for warrant verification and staff response,	Governor's Desk	Support

			prohibit the collection of certain immigration-status data, and require annual staff training and certain multilingual notices. Requires the Attorney General to publish model policies. (CD1)		
HB1962	RELATING TO FAMILY.	Hawaii Women's Coalition Bill Package Measure and Hawaii Women's Legislative Caucus Bill Package Measure	Establishes an exemption from mediation in parentage proceedings where there are allegations of domestic abuse. Clarifies the exemption from mediation in divorce proceedings as it relates to domestic abuse. (SD1)	Governor's Desk	Support
HB1800	RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET.		Adjusts and requests appropriations for fiscal biennium 2025-2027 funding requirements for operations and capital improvement projects of Executive Branch agencies and programs. (CD1)	Governor's Desk	Support
HB1838	RELATING TO VISAS.		Establishes uniform statewide requirements for policies and processes for the issuance of U or T visa certifications for noncitizen victims of crime that are consistent with federal laws and regulations governing U and T visas. Requires each	Governor's Desk	Support

			state and county certifying entity to adopt a policy and process for the issuance of U or T visa certifications, consistent with those statewide requirements. (CD1)		
HB1858	RELATING TO VITAL STATISTICS.	Hawaii Women's Coalition Bill Package Measure	Amends the various requirements in the event of a fetal death, including registration of certain fetal deaths, filing and preparation of a certificate of fetal death, and issuance of a permit for removal, burial, or other disposition. (SD1)	Governor's Desk	Support
HB1961	RELATING TO HEALTH CARE.	Hawaii Women's Coalition Bill Support and Hawaii Women's Legislative Caucus Bill Package Measure	Prohibits persons from interfering with another person's access to or from a health care facility or disrupting the normal functioning of a health care facility. Makes violations a petty misdemeanor. Establishes a private right of action. Authorizes the Attorney General to bring an action for injunctive or other equitable relief. (SD1)	Governor's Desk	Support

SB2135	RELATING TO PRIVACY.	*CD1 version - Gut and Replace with HB1963.	Establishes the nonconsensual disclosure of intimate or private images as a criminal offense. Amends the criteria for an extended term of imprisonment to include defendants whose act of attempting to commit or committing the offense of nonconsensual disclosure of intimate or private images against a minor or vulnerable adult was the proximate cause of the victim's death. (CD1)	Governor's Desk	Support
HB1682	RELATING TO THE DISCLOSURE OF INTIMATE IMAGES.		Establishes civil remedies for the unauthorized disclosure of intimate images. (CD1)	Governor's Desk	Support
SB2727	RELATING TO DISCRIMINATION.		Lengthens the statute of limitations to file a complaint of discrimination with the Hawaii Civil Rights Commission to one year. (CD1)	Governor's Desk	Support
SB3238	RELATING TO LANGUAGE ACCESS.		Establishes a Language Access Education and Workforce Development Program at the University of Hawaii. Establishes positions. Appropriates funds. (CD1)	Governor's Desk	Support

HB1801	RELATING TO CHILD WELFARE SERVICES.		Appropriates funds for the Department of Human Services to contract with one or more organizations specializing in domestic violence to provide training and consultation virtually or in-person to staff in Child Welfare Services Branch offices statewide. (CD1)	Governor's Desk	Support
SB3022	RELATING TO CULTURE AND ARTS.	Measure amended to include "fair and equitable consideration for all nominees in its evaluation and selection process" as a result of Commission testimony.	Establishes the Hawaii Leadership Awards Program to honor individuals who have made considerable and outstanding contributions to the State and serve as inspirations to others. (HD1)	Governor's Desk	Support

<p>HB1960</p>	<p>RELATING TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING.</p>	<p>Hawaii Women's Legislative Caucus Bill Package Measure</p>	<p>Requires the Department of the Attorney General to develop a Human Trafficking Awareness Training Program, or approve externally developed programs, to educate and train workers in the transient accommodations sector. Requires transient accommodations employers or transient accommodations third-party contractors to periodically provide the human trafficking awareness training to certain employees and contract workers, keep records of the training, post signage, and develop and implement a human trafficking prevention policy that includes procedures for the reporting of suspected human trafficking. Establishes penalties. Requires the Department of Law Enforcement to adopt rules. (CD1)</p>	<p>Governor's Desk</p>	<p>Support</p>
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<p>HB1888</p>	<p>RELATING TO THE SAFETY OF EDUCATIONAL WORKERS.</p>		<p>Part I: Requires the Department of Education and state public charter schools to take certain steps to better address the harassment of educational workers, including sports officials. Authorizes the Attorney General to assist educational workers, including sports officials at department of education or public charter school sporting events, who have been subject to harassment or intentional bodily injury in obtaining a temporary restraining order. Part II: Includes the intentional, knowing or reckless disruption or interference with a school function, school administration, or school board under the offense of harassment. Makes harassment to an educational worker, including sports officials, engaged in the performance of their duty a misdemeanor. (CD1)</p>	<p>Governor's Desk</p>	<p>Support</p>
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HB1959	RELATING TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.	Hawaii Women's Legislative Caucus Bill Package Measure	Extends for five years certain provisions from Act 19, SLH 2020, and Act 238, SLH 2021, relating to abuse of family or household members, including establishing a petty misdemeanor offense of abuse of family or household members, clarifying penalties for violations, and allowing a deferred acceptance of guilty plea for misdemeanor and petty misdemeanor abuse of family or household members offenses. Requires the Judiciary to submit reports to the Legislature. Effective 6/29/2026. (CD1)	Governor's Desk	Support
SB2568	RELATING TO OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC SERVANTS.		Elevates the offense of harassment to a misdemeanor when committed against a public servant because of or during their performance of official duties. (CD1)	Governor's Desk	Support

HB2137	RELATING TO ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE.	Commission testimony lead to the SD2/CD1 amendment prohibiting "any person to knowingly publish a realistic digital imitation of an identifiable individual with out that individual's consent " versus SD1 language stating "with the knowledge that the individual did not consent".	Prohibits certain harmful uses of realistic digital imitations generated by artificial intelligence (AI). Establishes certain exemptions. Provides for civil actions and civil remedies for individuals injured by unauthorized AI-generated realistic digital imitations. (CD1)	Governor's Desk	Support
HB2289	RELATING TO THE EXPENDITURE CEILING ON THE AUTOMATED VICTIM INFORMATION AND NOTIFICATION SYSTEM SPECIAL FUND.		Repeals the statutory expenditure ceiling on the Automated Victim Information and Notification System Special Fund to address rising program costs and growing victim service demands. (CD1)	Governor's Desk	Support
HR173	REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO DEVELOP, ADOPT, AND IMPLEMENT A STANDARDIZED EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN GOVERNING IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY AT OR WITHIN ONE THOUSAND FEET OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS			Alive	Support

	AND ADOPT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES TO ADDRESS IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY AT CERTAIN SCHOOL-RELATED LOCATIONS AND EVENTS.				
HB1945	RELATING TO GAMING.		Beginning 8/1/2027, authorizes gaming on cruise ships while a cruise ship is traveling within any state waters or for specified times while docked at a state harbor. Imposes a twenty per cent wagering tax on the adjusted gross receipts derived from gaming on cruise ships. Requires the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs to report to the Legislature.	Dead - Biennium	Oppose

HB2570	RELATING TO SPORTS WAGERING.		<p>Allows for the regulation of sports wagering by the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism. Establishes licensing requirements for sports wagering operators and sports wagering suppliers. Establishes a general excise tax to be levied on sports wagering operator licenses. Establishes the Problem Gambling Prevention and Treatment Special Fund to be administered and expended by the Department of Health. Specifies that legal sports wagering and fantasy sports contests shall not be considered contests of chance or gambling. Authorizes the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to perform criminal history record checks on applicants and licensees relating to sports wagering. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	Dead - Biennium	Oppose
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SB3303	RELATING TO SPORTS WAGERING.		<p>Allows for the regulation of sports wagering by the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism. Establishes licensing requirements for sports wagering operators and sports wagering suppliers. Establishes a general excise tax to be levied on sports wagering operator licenses. Establishes the Problem Gambling Prevention and Treatment Special Fund to be administered and expended by the Department of Health. Specifies that legal sports wagering and fantasy sports contests shall not be considered contests of chance or gambling. Authorizes the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to perform criminal history record checks on applicants and licensees relating to sports wagering.</p>	Dead - Biennium	Oppose
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SB2868	RELATING TO HEALTH CARE.		Expands the protections established under Act 2, SLH 2023, to include gender-affirming health care services, including clarifying permitted disclosures of protected health information to address changes in federal regulations. Establishes protections against abusive litigation. Prohibits medical malpractice insurers and health carriers from taking certain adverse actions against health care providers solely on the basis that the health care provider provides lawful reproductive health care services or gender-affirming care services.	Dead - Biennium	Support
SB2438	RELATING TO CIVIL INTERFERENCE WITH CONSTITUTIONAL AND STATUTORY RIGHTS.		Establishes a civil cause of action for interference with constitutional and statutory rights through threats, intimidation, or coercion. Authorizes private rights of action. Authorizes actions to be brought by the Attorney General, County Corporation Counsel, or County Attorney. Authorizes injunctive relief, declaratory relief, and certain	Dead - Biennium	Support

			monetary relief. Includes protections for constitutionally protected speech. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)		
HB1782	RELATING TO ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FOR THE PROTECTION OF MINORS.		Establishes safeguards, protections, oversight, and penalties for interactions between minors and artificial intelligence companion systems or conversational artificial intelligence services. Effective 1/1/2077. (SD2)	Dead - Biennium	
SB2754	RELATING TO CIVIC EDUCATION.		Establishes a Civic Education Grant Program to provide support to public middle and intermediate schools in providing civic education to students through department approved programming. Establishes a Civic Education Trust Fund. Requires reports to the Legislature. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)	Dead - Biennium	Support
HB2448	RELATING TO FEMALE GENITAL MUTILATION.		Establishes the offense of prohibited acts of female genital mutilation of a minor and civil remedies for victims of acts punishable under that offense.	Dead - Biennium	Support

			Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)		
SB2968	RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT.		Requires hotelkeepers to supply and provide annual training on the proper use and limitations of a panic button to certain workers no later than 1/1/2027. Effective 1/1/2077. (SD1)	Dead - Biennium	Support
SB2500	RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET.		Adjusts and requests appropriations for fiscal biennium 2025-2027 funding requirements for operations and capital improvement projects of Executive Branch agencies and programs.	Dead - Biennium	Support
HB1963	RELATING TO IMAGE-BASED SEXUAL ABUSE.	Hawaii Women's Coalition Bill Package Measure and Hawaii Women's Legislative Caucus Bill Package Measure. Contents cut and pasted into SB2135 CD1.	Establishes the nonconsensual disclosure of intimate or private images as a criminal offense. Amends the criteria for an extended term of imprisonment to include an offender whose act of attempting to commit or committing the nonconsensual disclosure of intimate images or private images against a minor or vulnerable adult was the proximate cause of the victim's death.	Dead - Biennium	Support

			Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)		
HB2445	RELATING TO STUDENT SAFETY.		Requires the Department of Education to develop, adopt, and implement a standardized emergency response plan governing immigration enforcement activity at or within one thousand feet of public schools and adopt policies and procedures to address immigration enforcement activity at certain school-related location and events. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	Dead - Biennium	Support
SB2845	RELATING TO HEALTH CARE.	Hawaii Women's Legislative Caucus Bill Package Measure	Prohibits persons from interfering with another person's access to or from a health care facility or disrupting the normal functioning of a health care facility. Makes violations a petty misdemeanor. Establishes a private right of action for individuals and health care facilities harmed as a result of interference with a health care facility. Authorizes the Attorney General to bring an action for	Dead - Biennium	Support

			injunctive or other equitable relief. (SD1)		
SB2448	RELATING TO THE DISCLOSURE OF INTIMATE IMAGES.		Enacts the Uniform Civil Remedies for Unauthorized Disclosure of Intimate Images Act (Modified). Effective 1/1/2077. (SD2)	Dead - Biennium	Support
HB1681	RELATING TO PRIVACY.		Establishes the offense of nonconsensual distribution of an intimate image.	Dead - Biennium	Support
SB3024	RELATING TO SEX-BASED DISCRIMINATION.		Clarifies and strengthens the State's protections against sex-based harassment, sex discrimination, and retaliation that occur in public schools, public charter schools, or at the University of Hawaii, including discrimination based on gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, pregnancy, and pregnancy-related conditions. Establishes procedures for investigations and decision-making. Requires mandatory	Dead - Biennium	Support

			reporting by certain employees. Requires the Department of the Attorney General to conduct a comprehensive legal review. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)		
HCR93	REQUESTING THE HAWAII STATE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN TO ESTABLISH A WORKING GROUP AND PROVIDE A REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE ON WAYS TO STRENGTHEN PREVENTION, INTERVENTIONS, AND PROTECTIONS FOR SURVIVORS OF IMAGE-BASED SEXUAL ABUSE.			Dead - Biennium	Support
SCR81	REQUESTING THE HAWAII STATE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE OFFICE OF THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU AND DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, TO ESTABLISH A WORKING GROUP AND PROVIDE A REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE ON WAYS TO STRENGTHEN PROTECTIONS FOR SURVIVORS OF IMAGE-BASED SEXUAL ABUSE.			Dead - Biennium	Support
HB1522	RELATING TO DISCRIMINATION.		Lengthens the statute of limitations to file a complaint of discrimination with	Dead - Biennium	Support

			the Hawaii Civil Rights Commission to one year. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)		
HB1859	RELATING TO WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.		Requires the Workforce Development Council to recommend to the Governor, a comprehensive Statewide Workforce Strategy to inclusion in the State Unified Plan and be responsible for facilitating the alignment of workforce development efforts and programs conducted by state departments and agencies to achieve the State Unified Plan and the Comprehensive Statewide Workforce Strategy. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	Dead - Biennium	Support
HB2005	RELATING TO LANGUAGE ACCESS.		Establishes a statewide Language Access Education and Workforce Development Program at the University of Hawaii. Establishes positions and appropriates funds. Effective 7/31/2055. (SD1)	Dead - Biennium	Support
HB2159	RELATING TO HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.		Establishes positions and appropriates funds to the University of Hawaii to support health care workforce	Dead - Biennium	Support

			development in the State. Effective 7/31/2055. (SD1)		
SB2491	RELATING TO HEALTH CARE.		Establishes a broad definition of "qualified health care provider" in numerous areas of existing law. Clarifies and standardizes references to specific health care providers. Updates outdated language to reflect correct terminology. Makes numerous clarifying and conforming amendments to support these changes, including but not limited to chapters related to health, education, insurance, professions and vocations, the pain patient's bill of rights, the Uniform Probate Code, minors, the Child Protective Act, and the Penal Code. Repeals the obsolete Hawaii Health Corps. Effective 1/30/2050. Implementation effective 7/1/2028. (SD1)	Dead - Biennium	

HB1857	RELATING TO HEALTH CARE.		<p>Establishes a broad definition of "qualified health care provider" in numerous areas of existing law. Clarifies and standardizes references to specific health care providers. Updates outdated language to reflect correct terminology. Makes numerous clarifying and conforming amendments to support these changes, including but not limited to chapters related to health, education, insurance, professions and vocations, the pain patient's bill of rights, the Uniform Probate Code, minors, the Child Protective Act, and the Penal Code. Repeals the obsolete Hawaii Health Corps. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	Dead - Biennium	
HB2335	RELATING TO WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.		<p>Establishes that certain participants in state-funded internship and workforce development programs are eligible for internal recruitment. Authorizes any state department, division, or agency to make certain determinations</p>	Dead - Biennium	

			<p>regarding an applicant's minimum qualifications in conducting a minimum qualification review. Repeals the requirement that a state department, division, or agency shall submit to the Department of Human Resources Development the applications for individuals who have met the minimum qualifications for a vacant position. Repeals the requirement that DHRD shall complete certain necessary tasks to facilitate the hiring of applications. Authorizes the director or head of a state department, division, or agency to directly hire an individual who meets the minimum qualifications for a civil service position. (SD2)</p>		
SB2841	RELATING TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING.	Hawaii Women's Legislative Caucus Bill Package Measure	By July 1, 2027, requires the Department of the Attorney General to develop a Human Trafficking Awareness Training Program to educate and train workers in the transient accommodations sector. Requires transient	Dead - Biennium	Support

			<p>accommodations employers and transient accommodations third-party contractors to periodically provide the human trafficking awareness training to certain employees and contract workers and keep records of the training. By January 1, 2028, requires transient accommodations employers and transient accommodations third-party contractors to post signage regarding human trafficking awareness. By October 1, 2027, requires transient accommodations employers and transient accommodations third-party contractors to develop and implement a human trafficking prevention policy that includes procedures for the reporting of suspected human trafficking.</p>		
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SB2442	RELATING TO PURCHASE OF SERVICE CONTRACTS BY THE JUDICIARY.		Beginning 1/1/2027, requires contracts for services awarded to community-based organizations by the Judiciary in support of fulfilling the Judiciary's statutory mandate to individuals, families, and communities in the State to include certain protections against inflation. Appropriates funds to the Judiciary to increase the contract price in existing contracts for certain services provided by community-based organizations in support of fulfilling the Judiciary's statutory mandate to individuals, families, and communities in the State. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	Dead - Biennium	Support
HB2369	RELATING TO PURCHASE OF SERVICE CONTRACTS BY THE JUDICIARY.		Beginning 1/1/2027, requires contracts for services awarded to community-based organizations by the Judiciary in support of fulfilling the Judiciary's statutory mandate to individuals, families, and communities in the State to include certain protections against inflation. Appropriates funds to the Judiciary to increase the contract price in existing contracts for	Dead - Biennium	Support

			services provided by community-based organizations in support of fulfilling the Judiciary's statutory mandate to individuals, families, and communities in the State. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)		
SB3071	RELATING TO OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC HEALTH AND MORALS.		Clarifies and updates the sex trafficking and promoting prostitution criminal offense statutes by refining the definition of "profits from prostitution," establishing an affirmative defense to these offenses for certain lawful transactions, and making technical and other housekeeping amendments. (SD1)	Dead - Biennium	Support
HB2455	RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES.		Requires certain employers to provide administrative leave of absence for victims of workplace violence or threat of workplace violence. Expands the type of certification an employee may provide to an employer if the leave exceeds five days per calendar year. Prohibits retaliation	Dead - Biennium	Support

			against employees for exercising rights related to domestic violence, sexual violence, or workplace violence or threat of workplace violence. Effective 1/1/2077. (SD1)		
HB2367	RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT EARNINGS.		Requires hourly rate or salary ranges to be disclosed on job listings for full-time, part-time, temporary, or seasonal employees. Removes the exemption for employers having fewer than fifty employees. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	Dead - Biennium	Support
HCR6	AFFIRMING AND SUPPORTING THE REQUIREMENT THAT HOSPITALS PROVIDE LIFE-SAVING EMERGENCY CARE TO PREGNANT PEOPLE, INCLUDING REPRODUCTIVE AND ABORTION SERVICES, WHEN SUCH CARE IS MEDICALLY NECESSARY TO STABILIZE A PATIENT UNDER THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT AND ACTIVE LABOR ACT.			Dead - Biennium	Support
HCR173	URGING MAUI HEALTH SYSTEM TO COLLABORATE WITH STAKEHOLDERS TO ESTABLISH A FULL-TIME MEDICAL RESIDENCY PROGRAM ON THE ISLAND OF MAUI.			Dead - Biennium	Support

SB2657	RELATING TO ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND RELATED DEMENTIAS RESEARCH.		<p>Establishes the Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias Research Center of Hawaii (Research Center) within the University of Hawaii. Requires the Research Center to be administratively affiliated with the University of Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine (JABSOM). Requires JABSOM, the Research Center, University of Hawaii Center on Aging, and University of Hawaii at Manoa to identify opportunities to capitalize on collaboration between the parties and maximize operational efficiencies. Requires the Research Center to submit annual reports to the Legislature. Establishes positions. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	Dead - Biennium	Support
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HB1527	RELATING TO GAMBLING.		Prohibits any casino, gambling enterprise, or gambling facility from being located on state lands within or adjacent to the Aloha Stadium Development District project area or on any lands under the jurisdiction of the Stadium Authority. Prohibits athletic programs of the University of Hawaii from competing in venues that are operated by or physically integrated with a gambling enterprise while clarifying that standard naming-rights or advertising agreements do not constitute prohibited sponsorships.	Dead - Biennium	Support
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HB1591	RELATING TO HEALTH CARE.		<p>Expands the definitions of "preceptor" and "volunteer-based supervised clinical training rotation" applicable to the Healthcare Preceptor Tax Credit to improve accessibility for providers to receive income tax credits for acting as preceptors, including removing "primary care" from the criteria to qualify as a preceptor. Adds physician assistants, dietitians, and social workers to the list of preceptors and eligible students. Expands eligibility for the tax credit to include accredited residency programs that require preceptor support. Adds the Director of Health and representatives of residency programs with eligible students to the Preceptor Credit Assurance Committee. Applies to taxable years beginning after 12/31/2026. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD2)</p>	Dead - Biennium	Support
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SB2386	RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT EARNINGS.		Clarifies that the requirement to disclose hourly rates or salary ranges on job listings applies to full-time, part-time, temporary, or seasonal employment. Repeals the exemption for employers having fewer than fifty employees from the disclosure requirement. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)	Dead - Biennium	Support
SB2843	RELATING TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.	Hawaii Women's Legislative Caucus Bill Package Measure	Extends for five years certain provisions from Act 19, SLH 2020, and Act 238, SLH 2021, relating to abuse of family or household members, including establishing a petty misdemeanor offense of abuse of family or household members, clarifying penalties for violations, and allowing a deferred acceptance of guilty plea for misdemeanor and petty misdemeanor abuse of family or household members offenses. Effective 6/29/2026.	Dead - Biennium	Support

SB2412	RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.		Appropriates funds to establish a bachelor's degree program in American Sign Language interpretation at the University of Hawaii at Manoa campus with a multi-year plan to include a master's degree program for interpreter training. (SD1)	Dead - Biennium	Support
HB1871	RELATING TO HEALTH.		Establishes the Maternal Health Monitoring Pilot Program within the Department of Health to offer eligible participants improved maternal health care through remote patient monitoring for maternal hypertension and maternal diabetes. Appropriates funds. Effective 1/1/2050. (SD1)	Dead - Biennium	Support
SB3202	RELATING TO HEALTH CARE.		Amends the Healthcare Preceptor Tax Credit to remove language limiting access only to those practicing in primary care, to add licensed dietitians, physician assistants, and social workers as eligible preceptors and students, and to include residency and fellowship programs. Adds the Director of Health and a representative	Dead - Biennium	Support

			of residency programs with eligible students to the Preceptor Credit Assurance Committee. Applies to taxable years beginning after 12/31/2026. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)		
HB1972	RELATING TO TAXATION.		Establishes a family caregiver tax credit for nonpaid family caregivers. Requires the Department of Taxation to submit annual reports to the Legislature. Appropriates funds. Applies to taxable years beginning after 12/31/2026. Effective 1/1/2050. (SD1)	Dead - Biennium	Support
HB2184	RELATING TO LAWMAKER SAFETY.		Prohibits the public disclosure of legislators' personal contact information in a voter's affidavit of registration, nomination papers, and electronic database for campaign committees. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	Dead - Biennium	Support

HB2360	RELATING TO PAID FAMILY LEAVE.		By 1/1/2029, requires the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to establish a family and medical leave insurance program and begin collecting payroll contributions to finance payment of benefits. By 1/1/2030, requires the Department to begin receiving claims and paying benefits under the program. Specifies eligibility requirements and employee protections under the program. Excludes paid family and medical leave benefits from income tax. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)	Dead - Biennium	Support
HB2489	RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.		Appropriates moneys to establish a bachelor's degree program in American Sign Language interpretation at the University of Hawaii Manoa campus with a multi-year plan to include a master's degree program for interpreter training. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	Dead - Biennium	Support

HCR183	REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO DEVELOP, ADOPT, AND IMPLEMENT A STANDARDIZED EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN GOVERNING IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY AT OR WITHIN ONE THOUSAND FEET OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND ADOPT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES TO ADDRESS IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY AT CERTAIN SCHOOL-RELATED LOCATIONS AND EVENTS.			Dead - Biennium	Support
HB1872	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 7/31/2055. (SD1)	Dead - Biennium	Support
HB1597	RELATING TO ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND RELATED DEMENTIAS RESEARCH.		Establishes and appropriates funds for an Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias Research Center at the University of Hawaii, to be administratively affiliated with the	Dead - Biennium	Support

			University of Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine, including the establishment of full-time positions. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)		
SCR105	URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO STUDENTS ON HOW TO PREREGISTER TO VOTE BEFORE REACHING VOTING AGE.			Dead - Biennium	Support
HB2206	RELATING TO HEALTH CARE.		Amends the Healthcare Preceptor Tax Credit to remove language limiting access only to those practicing in primary care, to add licensed dietitians, physician assistants, and social workers as eligible preceptors and students, and to include residency and fellowship programs. Adds the Director of Health and a representative of residency programs with eligible students to the Preceptor Credit Assurance Committee. Applies to taxable years beginning after 12/31/2026.	Dead - Biennium	Support
SB2914	RELATING TO LAWMAKER SAFETY.		Prohibits the public disclosure of legislators' personal contact information in a voter's affidavit of registration,	Dead - Biennium	Support

			nomination papers, and electronic database for campaign committees.		
SB2566	RELATING TO DOMESTIC ABUSE ORDERS FOR PROTECTION.		Removes the requirement that requests to withhold from public inspection the petition record of a denied temporary restraining order or denied protective order be made orally.	Dead - Biennium	Support
SB3108	RELATING TO THE EXPENDITURE CEILING ON THE AUTOMATED VICTIM INFORMATION AND NOTIFICATION SYSTEM SPECIAL FUND.		Removes the \$600,000 annual expenditure ceiling on the Automated Victim Information and Notification System Special Fund to address rising program costs and growing victim service demands. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)	Dead - Biennium	Support
HB2607	RELATING TO PUBLICITY RIGHTS.		Protects a person's right to publicity from artificial intelligence deepfakes.	Dead - Biennium	Support
HB1977	RELATING TO HEALTH.		Requires the Department of Health to procure a Maternal and Infant Health Information Mobile Application by 1/1/2027 to provide qualified individuals with information on federal and state programs and resources for prenatal, pregnant,	Dead - Biennium	Support

			and postpartum individuals and their families. Requires DOH to issue a request for proposals. Authorizes DOH to procure or otherwise contract for an existing mobile pregnancy application. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)		
HCR42	URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO MEET THE CRITERIA NECESSARY TO OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZE CHEERLEADING AS A TITLE IX SPORT IN HAWAII.			Stalled	Support
SCR78	URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO STRENGTHEN MENSTRUAL HEALTH EDUCATION INITIATIVES AND TO ADOPT A COMPREHENSIVE MENSTRUAL CYCLE CURRICULUM.			Stalled	Support
HCR118	URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO STRENGTHEN MENSTRUAL HEALTH EDUCATION INITIATIVES AND TO ADOPT A COMPREHENSIVE MENSTRUAL CYCLE CURRICULUM.			Stalled	Support
TOTALS: 97 Measures Tracked, 42 Measures Successfully Passed or Deferred, 178 pieces of Written Testimony Submitted					

ii. May 2026 highlights

1. Collaboration with Office of Wellness and Resilience with social media boosts for their **2026 Hawaii Quality of Life Survey**
 - a. Conducted by the Hawai'i Office of Wellness and Resilience in partnership with the Health Policy Initiative at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, the survey aims to update statewide data on health, work, education, housing, transportation, community concerns, and access to services.

2. Collaboration with Mai Movement to launch a **2026 Period Poverty Survey** and press release
 - a. Ma'i Movement Hawai'i is a local advocacy and education initiative focused on ending period poverty; the limited or inadequate access to menstrual products or menstrual health education due to financial constraints, stigma, or lack of period-friendly facilities.
 3. Collaboration with the Hawaii State Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer Plus (LGBTQ+) Commission and the Hawaii Civil Rights Commission (HCRC) **No Hate in the 808** press release, bus and digital ad campaign informing the public about state protections and reporting discrimination to the HCRC
- iii. Budget – Recent, Pending, and Anticipated Expenditures
- b. State Commissioners' Reports and Updates Regarding Community Issues, Collaborations, Events, Plans, Proposals or Status of Women Efforts in Each County (30 Minutes)
 - i. Stacey Moniz, Maui Commissioner
 1. Update on Birthing Roundtables for Maui County focused on Trauma Informed Care and Hospital Transfers
 2. E Ho'i I Ka Piko Women's Conference planning on Maui for July 9 – 10, 2026
 3. New Maui County Committee on the Status of Women (CSW) members and election of new vice chair
 - ii. Edie Ignacio Neumiller, Kauai Commissioner
 1. Kauai County CSW updates
 - a. Women's History Month collaborated with Kauai Made Products owned by female owners at the Grove Farm Puhi Park on Saturday, March 28, 2026
 - i. An annual celebration in March to honor the contributions and achievements of women throughout history.
 - b. Denim Day Mayor's Proclamation, April 29, 2026
 - i. A global campaign to protest victim-blaming and support survivors of sexual violence by wearing jeans as a visible symbol of solidarity.
 - iii. Jennifer Stotter, Hawaii Commissioner
 1. No Hawaii County CSW meetings have recently been held
 2. Term ends 6/30/26
 - iv. Rose Medina Kemna, Oahu Commissioner
 1. Honolulu County CSW updates, upcoming meeting May 20, 2026
 2. Recommendation - future program development and creation of resource on housing and homeownership
 - v. Melissa Sotelo, Oahu Commissioner
 1. Term ends 5/31/26
 2. Meeting updates:
 - a. Monthly Hawaii State LGBTQ+ Commission meetings
 - b. National Association of Commissions for Women (NACW: a national entity that assists and supports commissions for women to ensure that they not only survive, but thrive) meetings

