

Tile Contractors Association of Hawaii 2015 Legislative Report - HOUSE BILLS

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Bill #	Relating to	Description	Status	Introduced by
HB9	RELATING TO HEALTH.	Requires employers to provide a minimum amount of paid sick leave to employees to be used to care for themselves or a family member who is ill or needs medical care.	H 2/13/2015: The committee(s) on LAB recommend(s) that the measure be deferred. Dead	TAKUMI
HB19	RELATING TO TAXATION.	Makes permanent the County surcharge on State tax.	H 1/26/2015: Referred to FIN. Dead	SAIKI (Introduced by request of another party)
HB54	RELATING TO CONTRACTORS.	Specifies that general engineering contractors and general building contractors will require further examination and additional fees prior to issuance of additional specialty classifications.	H 1/26/2015: Referred to EDB, CPC, FIN. Dead	MIZUNO
HB103 HD1	RELATING TO CONTRACTORS.	Raises the threshold under the contractor licensing law's "handyman exemption" from \$1,000 to \$2,000. (HB103 HD1)	H 2/18/2015: Passed Second Reading as amended in HD 1 and referred to the committee(s) on CPC. Dead	CHOY
HB129	RELATING TO CONTRACTORS.	Allows the contractors license board to accept in lieu of a specific experience requirement for licensure, equivalent knowledge, training, or experience, including self-employed or unlicensed experience, if the board investigates and makes a detailed written finding available for public inspection.	H 1/29/2015: Re-referred to LAB, CPC, JUD. Dead	SOUKI

HB130	RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY.	Prohibits a general engineering and general building contractor from doing any work that requires it to act as a specialty contractor in an area the general contractor is not licensed to operate.	H 1/29/2015: Re-referred to LAB, CPC, JUD. Dead	SOUKI
HB131	RELATING TO FREEDOM OF INFORMATION.	Clarifies that records that show a licensee's relevant experience, trade examination results, and adequate bonding are subject to disclosure.	H 2/18/2015: The committee(s) on CPC recommend(s) that the measure be deferred. Dead	SOUKI
HB133 HD1	RELATING TO TAXATION.	Provides an income tax credit for costs incurred in hotel construction or renovation. (HB133 HD1)	S 3/24/2015: Report adopted; Passed Second Reading and referred to WAM. Dead	SOUKI
HB134 HD1 SD2 CD1	RELATING TO TAXATION.	Reauthorizes the counties' authority to establish a county surcharge on state tax for a limited time period, with the surcharge to be effective until 12/31/2027, if adopted. Requires counties to adopt an ordinance to establish or extend a surcharge prior to 7/1/2016. Limits the use of surcharge revenues by counties that have already established a county surcharge on state tax to capital costs. Expands the definition of capital costs for counties with a population greater than 500,000. Amends the definition of "public lands" to include the air rights over any portion of state land upon which a county mass transit project is developed after 7/11/2005. (HB134 CD1)	H 5/6/2015: Transmitted to Governor.	SOUKI

HB190	RELATING TO FIRE SPRINKLERS.	Authorizes counties to adopt codes and regulations that would require the installation of residential fire protection sprinkler systems by repealing Act 83, SLH 2012.	H 1/26/2015: Referred to HSG, CPC, FIN. Dead	SOUKI (Introduced by request of another party)
HB212 HD1	RELATING TO TAXATION.	Establishes a nonrefundable income tax credit for taxpayers who purchase and install battery backup systems for solar energy systems. (HB212 HD1)	H 2/20/2015: Passed Second Reading as amended in HD 1 and referred to the committee(s) on FIN. Dead	NISHIMOTO
HB240 HD1 SD1	RELATING TO SEAWATER AIR CONDITIONING.	Expands the types of businesses qualified to receive benefits under the state enterprise zone law to include service businesses that provide air conditioning project services from seawater air conditioning district cooling systems. (SD1)	S 3/27/2015: Report adopted; Passed Second Reading, as amended (SD 1) and referred to WAM. Dead	SAIKI
HB241 SD1 CD1	RELATING TO SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST SEAWATER AIR CONDITIONING PROJECTS ON OAHU.	Extends the authorization to issue special purpose revenue bonds for Honolulu Seawater Air Conditioning LLC. (HB241 CD1)	H 5/6/2015: Transmitted to Governor.	SAIKI
HB242 SD1 CD1	RELATING TO SEAWATER AIR CONDITIONING.	Extends the lapsing date to June 27, 2020, of the special purpose revenue bonds issued to assist Honolulu Seawater Air Conditioning in building seawater air conditioning projects on Oahu. (HB242 CD1)	H 5/6/2015: Transmitted to Governor.	SAIKI

HB265 HD1	RELATING TO ENERGY STORAGE.	Establishes an investment-or utilization-based income tax credit for grid-connected energy storage properties installed and placed in service after December 31, 2015. Expires in taxable years beginning after December 31, 2026. Appropriates funds to administer the tax credit. (HB265 HD1)	H 2/18/2015: The committee(s) on CPC recommend(s) that the measure be deferred. Dead	MCKELVEY, C. LEE, THIELEN
HB291 HD1	RELATING TO THE SMALL CLAIMS DIVISION OF THE DISTRICT COURT.	Establishes exclusive jurisdiction of the Small Claims Division of the District Court over cases in which the amount claimed is \$1,000 or less. Expands the Small Claims Division's jurisdiction over personal property cases to include any personal property worth \$5,000 or less. (HB291 HD1)	H 2/10/2015: Passed Second Reading as amended in HD 1 and referred to the committee(s) on FIN. Dead	SOUKI (Introduced by request of another party)
HB307 HD1	RELATING TO THE CONTRACTORS LICENSE BOARD.	Amends the membership and composition requirements of the contractors license board. Declares that protection of the public shall be of the highest priority for the board in the exercise of its licensing, regulatory, and disciplinary functions. (HB307 HD1)	H 2/10/2015: Passed Second Reading as amended in HD 1 and referred to the committee(s) on CPC. Dead	YAMANE
HB320	RELATING TO TAXATION.	Repeals deadline for counties electing to establish a county surcharge on state tax to pass an ordinance to enact the surcharge. Increases maximum rate of surcharge from 0.5% to 1%. Allows counties with a population of 500,000 or less to use proceeds without restriction. Makes permanent the counties' authority to establish a surcharge on state tax.	H 3/4/2015: The committee(s) on FIN recommend(s) that the measure be deferred. Dead	SOUKI (Introduced by request of another party)

HB324	RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES.	Prohibits heavy trucks from driving in the left most lane of an interstate freeway. Establishes maximum speed limits for trucks, truck-trailer combinations, and tractor-semitrailer combinations on interstate highways. Establishes penalties for violation.	H 1/26/2015: Referred to TRN, JUD, FIN. Dead	OSHIRO, AQUINO, CULLEN, HAR, SAY
HB337	RELATING TO PUBLIC TRANSIT.	Amends the sunset date of the county surcharge on state tax. Authorizes the following to provide financing for the city and county of Honolulu's rail transit project: (1) Issuance of general obligation bonds for a grant-in-aid; (2) Issuance by the Hawaii tourism authority for a grant-in-aid, secured and payable by transient accommodations tax revenues allocated to the city and county of Honolulu; and (3) An appropriation from the general fund.	H 1/26/2015: Referred to TRN, FIN. Dead	OSHIRO, Har
HB343	RELATING TO TAXATION.	Provides a taxpayer who hires an individual with a disability a nonrefundable tax credit for the six-month period after the individual is initially hired by the taxpayer.	H 2/10/2015: The committee(s) on LAB recommend(s) that the measure be deferred. Dead	KAWAKAMI, CHOY, CULLEN, ICHiyAMA, MCKELVEY, MORIKAWA, SAY, TAKAYAMA, TOKIOKA, Belatti, Kong

HB391 HD1 SD1 CD1	RELATING TO WAGES AND HOURS ON PUBLIC WORKS.	Allows overtime compensation on public works projects to exceed time and one-half and specifies that if the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations determines that a prevailing wage is defined by collective bargaining, overtime will be at rates set by the applicable collective bargaining agreement. Specifies that overtime compensation and other premium pay rates are those rates specified in an applicable collective bargaining agreement when the basic hourly rate is established by a collective bargaining agreement. (HB391 CD1)	H 5/6/2015: Transmitted to Governor.	KEOHOKALOLE, AQUINO, HAR, ICHIYAMA, JOHANSON, NAKASHIMA, WOODSON, YAMANE, YAMASHITA
HB441 SD1	RELATING TO STATEWIDE INFRASTRUCTURE CAPACITY BUILDING CONSTRUCTION FINANCING.	Establishes the infrastructure capacity construction loan revolving fund to provide loans to counties, state agencies, or private developers for infrastructure improvements. Appropriates funds for the administration and implementation of the infrastructure capacity construction loan revolving fund. (SD1)	S 3/27/2015: Report adopted; Passed Second Reading, as amended (SD 1) and referred to WAM. Dead	YAMANE, AQUINO, CULLEN, MCKELVEY, NISHIMOTO, SAY, TAKAYAMA, YAMASHITA

HB496 HD1 SD2	RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT.	Requires the office of the lieutenant governor to work with the department of labor and industrial relations to conduct an actuarial study on the cost of implementing a family leave insurance program that would allow employees to take up to 12 weeks of paid family leave, including after any leave available pursuant to the federal Family and Medical Leave Act is exhausted, and the effect that the leave may have on the existing temporary disability insurance program and prepare a report to the legislature. Appropriates funds for the study and report. Provides that service workers shall be authorized to earn and carry over up to 80 hours of paid sick leave. Effective 7/1/2059. (SD2)	H 4/29/2015: Conference Committee Meeting will reconvene on Thursday 04-30-15 10:00AM in conference room 325. Dead	TAKAYAMA, AQUINO, BELATTI, BROWER, CACHOLA, CHOY, ICHIYAMA, ITO, LUKE, MIZUNO, ONISHI, SAY, WOODSON, Creagan, Keohokalole
HB499	RELATING TO PUBLIC WORKS.	Increases from \$2,000 to \$5,000 the cost threshold of a public works contract that requires a contractor to pay prevailing wages.	H 1/26/2015: Referred to LAB, CPC, FIN. Dead	EVANS, Creagan, Nakashima, San Buenaventura
HB517 HD1	RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.	Limits public works procurement preference for bidders with registered apprenticeship agreements to contracts with governmental bodies in counties with a population of 500,000 or more. Requires apprenticeship agreement for each apprenticable trade the contractor will utilize in construction of the public works. (HB517 HD1)	H 2/13/2015: Re-referred to LAB, FIN. Dead	EVANS, Nakashima, San Buenaventura

HB535	RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT.	Requires twelve weeks of family leave. Establishes a partial wage replacement for leave trust fund funded by employee wage withholdings. Uses the trust fund to provide partial wage replacement for the weeks of family leave that are unpaid. Appropriates moneys to administer the trust fund.	H 2/17/2015: The committees on LAB recommend that the measure be PASSED, WITH AMENDMENTS. Dead	BELATTI, KOBAYASHI, MORIKAWA, SAIKI, Aquino, McKelvey
HB536 HD2	RELATING TO GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS.	Bars gender-based wage discrimination in certain government contracts. Establishes a wage reporting requirement. Provides penalties for violation. Prohibits retaliation against employees. (HB536 HD2)	H 2/20/2015: Report adopted. referred to the committee(s) on FIN as amended in HD 2. Dead	BELATTI, ING, C. LEE, LOWEN, MORIKAWA, SAIKI, TAKUMI, Creagan
HB550	RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.	Prohibits bid shopping and bid peddling for the competitive sealed bidding process. Repeals the subcontractor listing requirement for construction bids made under the competitive sealed bidding process.	H 2/18/2015: The committee(s) on CPC recommend(s) that the measure be deferred. Dead	CHOY (Introduced by request of another party)
HB558	RELATING TO OVERTIME.	Limits overtime compensation to those hours worked in excess of forty hours in a workweek. Excludes those hours taken as paid time off from the calculation of the forty hours.	H 2/10/2015: The committee(s) on LAB recommend(s) that the measure be deferred. Dead	CACHOLA, BROWER, EVANS, HAR, HASHEM, KONG, C. LEE, MCDERMOTT, MIZUNO, POUHA, SAY, SOUKI, YAMASHITA,
HB572	RELATING TO TOURISM.	Provides an income tax credit for qualified hotel construction and renovation for taxable years beginning in the period after December 31, 2015, through December 31, 2020.	H 2/18/2015: The committee(s) on TOU recommend(s) that the measure be deferred. Dead	BROWER, EVANS, JOHANSON, NISHIMOTO, SOUKI, Kobayashi, Morikawa, Onishi

HB671	RELATING TO THE GENERAL EXCISE TAX COLLECTION DATE.	Amends the date of filing of monthly, quarterly, and semiannual general excise tax returns from the 20th day of the respective applicable month to the last day of the month. Applicable to returns and payments after 7/1/15.	H 1/28/2015: Referred to FIN. Dead	HAR, CHOY, CULLEN, ITO, KONG, OSHIRO
HB679 HD1	RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION.	Amends workers' compensation law for temporary total and partial disability benefits through certification by a physician. Allows for contemporaneous certification and retroactive certification of disability status. Applies only during the period that injuries have not reached medical stabilization or enrollment in a vocational rehabilitation process. (HB679 HD1)	H 2/10/2015: Passed Second Reading as amended in HD 1 and referred to the committee(s) on CPC. Dead	NAKASHIMA
HB682	RELATING TO PUBLIC WORKS.	Requires that bidders who receive a procurement preference on a public works contract be a party to a DLIR registered apprenticeship agreement for each apprenticable trade that the bidder will utilize to complete the contract.	H 1/28/2015: Referred to LAB, CPC. Dead	NAKASHIMA, AQUINO, ICHIYAMA, JOHANSON, LOWEN, TAKUMI, LoPresti, Onishi, San Buenaventura
HB695	RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION.	Repeals article 431:14A, HRS, which statutorily established the Hawaii employers' mutual insurance company (HEMIC) to provide workers' compensation coverage for Hawaii employers. Provides for continuing operation of HEMIC and any policies and coverages issued by it.	H 2/6/2015: The committee(s) on LAB recommend(s) that the measure be deferred. Dead	NAKASHIMA

HB713 HD2	RELATING TO CONTRACTORS.	Allows the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to train and deputize volunteer investigators investigating public work projects. Requires the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to submit reports and adopt rules. Appropriates moneys. (HB713 HD2)	H 2/20/2015: Report adopted. referred to the committee(s) on FIN as amended in HD 2. Dead	NAKASHIMA, WOODSON
HB714	RELATING TO CONTRACTORS.	Prohibits general engineering contractors and general building contractors from performing incidental or supplemental work. Requires general engineering contractors and general building contractors to engage an appropriate specialty contractor to perform incidental work. Defines incidental work.	H 2/18/2015: The committee(s) on CPC recommend(s) that the measure be deferred. Dead	NAKASHIMA, BROWER
HB744	RELATING TO CHECK CASHING.	Places a cap on the interest that a check casher can charge pursuant to a deferred deposit agreement at 36 per cent per annum.	H 2/11/2015: The committee(s) on CPC recommend(s) that the measure be deferred. Dead	MCKELVEY, BROWER, ICHIYAMA, LOPRESTI, LUKE, MORIKAWA, NAKASHIMA, SAN BUENAVENTURA, TAKAYAMA, TAKUMI, THIELEN
HB761	RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.	Prohibits heavy trucks from driving in the left most lane of an interstate freeway except under certain conditions.	H 2/11/2015: The committee(s) on TRN recommend(s) that the measure be deferred. Dead	CULLEN, AQUINO
HB774 HD1 SD1	RELATING TO SMALL BUSINESS.	Makes an appropriation to the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism for the Small Business Regulatory Review Board to hire additional staff. Effective 7/1/2053. (SD1)	H 5/1/2015: Conference Committee Meeting will reconvene on Friday, 05-01-15 at 4:46PM in Conference Room 423. Dead	KAWAKAMI

HB952 HD2 SD1 CD1	RELATING TO WAGES AND HOURS ON PUBLIC WORKS LAW.	Ensures confidentiality of a complainant in an investigation of wage and hour violations for public works projects. (HB952 CD1)	S 4/30/2015: Received notice of passage on Final Reading in House (Hse. Com. No. 647). Dead	SOUKI (Introduced by request of another party)
HB953	RELATING TO WAGE AND HOUR LAW.	Increases the amount of guaranteed monthly compensation required to exempt an individual from minimum wage, overtime, and record keeping requirements under the Hawaii Wage and Hour Law by way of a formula.	H 1/29/2015: Referred to LAB, FIN. Dead	SOUKI (Introduced by request of another party)
HB991	RELATING TO TAXATION.	Provides counties with home rule authority to set county surcharges on general excise, income, and use taxes. Allows funds collected via surcharge to be used for public projects.	H 1/29/2015: Referred to JUD, FIN. Dead	KOBAYASHI
HB1010 HD1 SD2 CD1	RELATING TO THE COMMUTER BENEFITS PROGRAM.	Authorizes the counties to adopt an ordinance requiring employers to offer employees specified commuter benefits options. (HB1010 CD1)	H 5/6/2015: Transmitted to Governor.	AQUINO, YAMANE, LoPresti, Nakashima, Takayama
HB1028 HD2	RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.	Provides for the establishment of a special innovative procurement process for the procurement of supplies, services, professional services, or construction. Requires the establishment of procedures by the procurement policy board for use of the special innovative procurement process. (HB1028 HD2)	S 3/31/2015: Re-Referred to GVO/WAM. Dead	YAMANE, CHOY, CULLEN, KAWAKAMI, NISHIMOTO, SAY, TOKIOKA, YAMASHITA, Rhoads
HB1047	RELATING TO MANDATORY SICK LEAVE.	Requires employers to provide a minimum amount of paid sick leave to employees to care for themselves or a family member who is ill, needs medical care, or is a victim of domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking.	H 1/29/2015: Referred to LAB, JUD, FIN. Dead	LOPRESTI, MIZUNO, Creagan, Say, Souki

HB1049	RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT.	Requires twelve weeks of family leave. Establishes a partial wage replacement for leave trust fund funded by employee wage withholdings. Uses the trust fund to provide partial wage replacement for the weeks of family leave that are unpaid. Appropriates moneys to administer the trust fund.	H 1/29/2015: Referred to LAB, FIN. Dead	LOPRESTI, BROWER, CREAGAN, KOBAYASHI, MIZUNO, Hashem
HB1123	RELATING TO ENERGY RESOURCES.	Requires existing single-family homes to be retrofitted with solar water heater systems. Allows for a tax credit or loan for compliance. Authorizes the PUC to permit electrical utilities to collect a surcharge for non-compliance, to be deposited into the Hawaii green infrastructure special fund.	H 2/2/2015: Referred to EEP, CPC, FIN. Dead	WARD, MCDERMOTT, SAY, Cachola, Pouha
HB1126 HD1	RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.	Requires the state procurement office to establish a database of all government procurement contracts, accessible to each governmental entity. Requires state procurement office oversight of procurement information. Appropriates funds to establish the database. (HB1126 HD1)	S 3/24/2015: The committee on GVO deferred the measure. Dead	MATSUMOTO, FUKUMOTO CHANG, MIZUNO, Brower, Cachola, Creagan, Evans, Ichiyama, Ing, Ito, Johanson, Kobayashi, Kong, C. Lee, McKelvey, Morikawa, Onishi, San Buenaventura, Say, Takayama, Tokioka, Woodson

HB1127 HD1 SD1	RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.	Requires all procurement officers of state and county governmental bodies to attend initial training by the State Procurement Office and regular follow-up training as determined by the State Procurement Office. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)	H 5/1/2015: Conference Committee Meeting will reconvene on Friday 05-01-15 2:40PM in conference room 016. Dead	MATSUMOTO, BROWER, FUKUMOTO CHANG, JOHANSON, MCKELVEY, MIZUNO, ONISHI, Cachola, Creagan, Ichiyama, Ing, Ito, Kong, C. Lee, Morikawa, San Buenaventura, Say, Woodson
HB1132	RELATING TO THE MINIMUM WAGE.	Establishes the minimum wage annually pursuant to the consumer price index. Adjusts the tip credit annually according to adjustments in the living wage.	H 2/2/2015: Referred to LAB, FIN. Dead	ING, C. LEE, LOPRESTI, MIZUNO, RHOADS, SAIKI, Brower
HB1137	RELATING TO TAXATION.	Increases use tax paid by wholesalers from .5% to 1.5% by one per cent and applies the increase to reduce the State's unfunded liabilities for the EUTF and ERS.	H 2/2/2015: Referred to FIN. Dead	SAY, CHOY, OSHIRO, YAMASHITA
HB1180 HD1 SD2 CD1	RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.	Requires each chief procurement officer to coordinate with the administrator of the procurement office regarding procurement policies, innovations, and concerns. Requires the reporting of procurement contract data pursuant to the administrator of the procurement office. (HB1180 CD1)	H 5/6/2015: Transmitted to Governor.	JOHANSON, LUKE, NISHIMOTO, SAIKI

HB1213 HD1	RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT SECURITY.	Allows the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to set criteria for independent contractor status and when that status is presumed. Establishes certification procedures. Places the burden of proving an employee-employer relationship on the certified independent contractor if the contractor files an unemployment insurance benefits claim against a customer. (HB1213 HD1)	H 3/2/2015: The committee(s) on CPC/JUD recommend(s) that the measure be deferred. Dead	SOUKI, MCKELVEY, NAKASHIMA
HB1232	RELATING TO CONTRACTORS.	Requires a contractor to pay a subcontractor within 10 days after receipt of an invoice by the subcontractor that includes any supporting documents pursuant to the subcontract terms.	H 2/18/2015: The committee(s) on CPC recommend(s) that the measure be deferred. Dead	TAKAYAMA
HB1242 HD1	RELATING TO FIRE SPRINKLERS.	Establishes a tax credit of 25 per cent of the actual cost, including installation, of an automatic fire sprinkler or automatic fire sprinkler system in any detached one- or two-family dwelling unit in a structure used only for residential purposes. Sunsets on June 30, 2025. (HB1242 HD1)	H 2/20/2015: Passed Second Reading as amended in HD 1 and referred to the committee(s) on FIN. Dead	KAWAKAMI, ICHIYAMA, MCKELVEY, MORIKAWA, OSHIRO, SAY, TOKIOKA, TSUJI, WOODSON, Creagan, Yamashita
HB1264	RELATING TO GREEN BUILDING CERTIFICATION.	Requires all new public buildings, facilities, and sites to be designed and constructed with the intent to meet a green building standard, guideline, or system; and obtain certification of the standard, guideline, or system for all new public buildings, facilities, and sites upon completion.	H 2/2/2015: Referred to EEP/WAL, FIN. Dead	LOPRESTI, BROWER, C. LEE, MIZUNO, SAN BUENAVENTURA, Evans, Kobayashi

HB1292 HD2 SD2 CD1	RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.	Extends the procurement task force to identify and propose amendments, if any, to the procurement code that may better promote economy, efficiency, effectiveness, and impartiality in the procurement of public works construction projects, specifically regarding statewide past performance standards and processes. (HB1292 CD1)	H 5/6/2015: Transmitted to Governor.	JORDAN, HASHEM, MCKELVEY, TAKAYAMA, YAMASHITA, Creagan, San Buenaventura
HB1415	RELATING TO SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREAS.	Amends the maximum size of a residence, the construction or reconstruction of which is excluded from the definition of development for special management area purposes from 7,500 square feet to 2,500 square feet.	H 2/9/2015: The committee(s) on HSG recommend(s) that the measure be deferred. Dead	HAR, AQUINO, HASHEM, ICHIYAMA, ITO, JORDAN, OSHIRO, TAKAYAMA, TOKIOKA, YAMASHITA
HB1422 HD2	RELATING TO SERVICE CONTRACTS.	Requires providers of service contracts and the obligors of service contract buyback agreements to disclose to contract holders that a claim against the contract voids the contract holder's right to a full refund. (HB1422 HD2)	S 3/17/2015: The committee on CPN deferred the measure. Dead	ITO
HB1483	RELATING TO PUBLIC- PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS.	Establishes a public-private partnership (P3) approval process for public procurements in chapters 103, 103D, 107, 107D, 109, and 110, Hawaii Revised Statutes. Creates a P3 committee, establishes a P3 finance director, and a P3 procurement coordinator. Effective upon approval.	H 2/2/2015: Referred to EDB, JUD, FIN. Dead	FUKUMOTO CHANG, MCKELVEY

HCR65	REQUESTING A STUDY REGARDING THE NEED TO INCREASE THE DOLLAR THRESHOLD THAT DETERMINES WHETHER A SMALL PURCHASE IS EXEMPT FROM SMALL PURCHASE PROCUREMENT PROCEDURES.		H 3/17/2015: Report adopted; referred to the committee(s) on FIN. Dead	SAY, HASHEM, ICHIYAMA, ITO, JOHANSON, OSHIRO, TSUJI, YAMANE, Yamashita
HR33	REQUESTING A STUDY REGARDING THE NEED TO INCREASE THE DOLLAR THRESHOLD THAT DETERMINES WHETHER A SMALL PURCHASE IS EXEMPT FROM SMALL PURCHASE PROCUREMENT PROCEDURES.		H 3/17/2015: Report adopted; referred to the committee(s) on FIN. Dead	SAY, HASHEM, ICHIYAMA, ITO, JOHANSON, OSHIRO, TSUJI, YAMANE, YAMASHITA
HCR204 SD1	REQUESTING THE STATE PROCUREMENT ADMINISTRATOR TO COLLECT INFORMATION ON EACH OF THE INDIVIDUAL PROCUREMENT JURISDICTIONS.		S 5/1/2015: Received notice of Adoption in House (Hse. Com. No. 650). Dead	JORDAN, DECOITE, ICHIYAMA, ITO, KONG, LUKE, YAMASHITA
HR140	REQUESTING THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER TO CONDUCT A COMPREHENSIVE STUDY OF EACH OF THE INDIVIDUAL PROCUREMENT JURISDICTIONS.		H 4/9/2015: Resolution adopted in final form. Dead	JORDAN, DECOITE, ICHIYAMA, ITO, KONG, LUKE, YAMASHITA

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SB3	RELATING TO PUBLIC BOARDS.	Requires a board chair to provide notice to a board member who fails to attend four consecutive duly noticed meetings. Requires the board chair to provide notice to the board member who accumulates four unexcused absences of the board member's termination. Requires a board chair to notify in writing the applicable nominating authority of any vacancy resulting from termination, resignation, expiration of the term, or any other reason, within fifteen days after the vacancy occurs.	S 1/30/2015: The committee on JDL deferred the measure. Dead	KIM
SB5	RELATING TO PROFESSIONAL AND VOCATIONAL LICENSING.	Requires classes that are required as a condition of licensure and offered by a trade union to be made available to all licensees at the same cost, regardless of whether a licensee is a member of the trade union, but only if no equivalent public classes are available.	S 1/22/2015: Referred to CPN. Dead	RUDERMAN (Introduced by request of another party)
SB164	RELATING TO CONTRACTORS.	Prohibits general engineering contractors and general building contractors from performing incidental or supplemental work. Requires general engineering contractors and general building contractors to engage an appropriate specialty contractor to perform incidental work. Defines incidental work.	S 1/23/2015: Referred to CPN. Dead	KEITH-AGARAN

SB168	RELATING TO CONTRACTORS.	Requires the appropriate licensing boards to hire and train private deputies to investigate the use of unlicensed persons by contractors on construction sites. Increases penalties for violation of scope of contracting. Requires report. Appropriates moneys from the compliance resolution fund.	S 1/26/2015: Referred to CPN/JDL, WAM. Dead	KEITH-AGARAN
SB169	RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION.	Repeals article 431:14A, HRS, which statutorily established the Hawaii employers' mutual insurance company (HEMIC) to provide workers' compensation coverage for Hawaii employers. Provides for continuing operation of HEMIC and any policies and coverages issued by it.	S 1/26/2015: Referred to CPN/JDL, WAM. Dead	KEITH-AGARAN

SB216 SD2	RELATING TO WAGES AND HOURS ON PUBLIC WORKS.	For government public works construction contracts greater than \$2,000, provides that overtime compensation be not less than 1½ times the laborer's or mechanic's basic hourly rate of pay plus fringe benefits and that if the department of labor and industrial relations determines that the prevailing wage is determined by a group represented by collective bargaining, then the overtime and any other premium shall be at the same rates set by the collective bargaining agreement. Specifies that the overtime rate be as specified in the collective bargaining agreement when the basic hourly rate is based on a collective bargaining agreement. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD2)	H 3/12/2015: Referred to LAB, FIN. Dead	KEITH-AGARAN, Shimabukuro
SB240	RELATING TO CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS.	Requires a state or county contractor to report any campaign contributions made by any immediate family members of any officer, board member, or manager of the contractor thirty days before each primary election and general election.	S 1/23/2015: Referred to JDL. Dead	IHARA, Ruderman, L. Thielen

SB258 SD1	RELATING TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS.	Requires the department of education in consultation with the Hawaii state energy office of the department of business, economic development, and tourism and the Hawaii natural energy institute of the University of Hawaii, to conduct a comprehensive study and develop a master strategy for the cooling of all public schools. Requires the findings to be reported to the legislature. Appropriates funds for the comprehensive study of cooling needs and development of a master strategy for cooling all public schools. Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds and appropriates funds for projects that demonstrate efficient methods of cooling classrooms. (SD1)	S 2/20/2015: Report adopted; Passed Second Reading, as amended (SD 1) and referred to WAM. Dead	ESPERO, DELA CRUZ, KEITH-AGARAN, Nishihara, Slom, L. Thielen
SB339	RELATING TO THE GENERAL EXCISE TAX COLLECTION DATE.	Amends the date of filing of monthly, quarterly, semiannual, and annual general excise tax returns from the 20th day of the respective applicable month to the last day of the month. Applies to returns and payments due on or after 1/1/16.	S 1/26/2015: Referred to WAM. Dead	GABBARD, ESPERO, INOUE, NISHIHARA, RIVIERE, RUDERMAN
SB346	RELATING TO THE STATEWIDE TRAFFIC CODE.	Prohibits certain large vehicles of more than 10,000 pounds from being driven on the far left lane of any roadway having three or more lanes, with certain exceptions. Establishes a fifty-five mile per hour speed limit for trucks having a gross vehicle weight rating in excess of 10,000 pounds.	S 3/3/2015: The committee on TRA deferred the measure. Dead	GABBARD, KIDANI, Espero, Galuteria, Ihara, Nishihara

SB373	RELATING TO A UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII CONFERENCE CENTER.	Establishes the UH-West Oahu conference center revolving fund. Authorizes expenditures. Provides procurement code exemption.	S 1/26/2015: Referred to HEA/GVO, WAM. Dead	TANIGUCHI (Introduced by request of another party)
SB430	RELATING TO THE SMALL CLAIMS DIVISION OF THE DISTRICT COURT.	Establishes the exclusive jurisdiction of the small claims division of the district court over cases in which the amount claimed is \$1,000 or less. Expands the small claims division's jurisdiction over personal property cases to include any personal property worth \$5,000 or less.	S 1/26/2015: Referred to JDL. Dead	KIM (Introduced by request of another party)
SB453	RELATING TO FIRE SPRINKLERS.	Authorizes counties to adopt codes and regulations that would require the installation of residential fire protection sprinkler systems by repealing Act 83, SLH 2012.	S 1/26/2015: Referred to PSM/HSH, CPN. Dead	KIM (Introduced by request of another party)
SB466	RELATING TO CONTRACTORS.	Amends the number of members and membership requirements and restrictions for the contractors license board.	S 1/26/2015: Referred to CPN, WAM. Dead	KEITH-AGARAN
SB495	RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.	Requires past performance to be factored into future bid selection of a contractor. Defines past performance. Requires past performance to be considered in sole source procurement. Appropriates funds. Takes effect on 1/1/2016.	S 1/26/2015: Referred to GVO, WAM. Dead	L. THIELEN, CHUN OAKLAND, RUDERMAN, Gabbard, Shimabukuro
SB536 SD1	RELATING TO TOURISM STIMULUS INITIATIVES.	Provides an income tax credit for qualified hotel construction and renovation for taxable years beginning in the period after December 31, 2014, through December 31, 2019. (SD1)	S 2/9/2015: Report adopted; Passed Second Reading, as amended (SD 1) and referred to WAM. Dead	KAHELE, CHUN OAKLAND, GALUTERIA, INOUE, Dela Cruz, English, Harimoto, Riviere, Slom

SB548	RELATING TO CONTRACTORS.	Requires a general building contractor on construction projects involving more than four, rather than two, unrelated building trades or crafts. Allows a specialty contractor to take and execute a construction contract involving two or more crafts or trades without requiring the performance of the work to be incidental and supplemental.	S 1/26/2015: Referred to CPN. Dead	WAKAI, Riviere, Slom
SB650	RELATING TO CAMPAIGNS.	Prohibits subcontractors, contract bidders, and applicants for state grants or subsidies along with state contractors and subcontractors from making campaign contributions for the life of the contract. Requires all public contractors to explicitly agree through a provision in their public contracts to be subject to the prohibitions and penalties for any violations of campaign finance laws.	S 1/26/2015: Referred to GVO, JDL. Dead	IHARA, L. Thielen
SB726	RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.	Prohibits bid shopping and bid peddling for the competitive sealed bidding process. Repeals the subcontractor listing requirement for construction bids made under the competitive sealed bidding process.	S 1/28/2015: Referred to GVO/CPN, WAM. Dead	BAKER

SB728 SD2	RELATING TO GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS.	Requires equal pay for similar work for any employee performing services under certain government contracts. Establishes a requirement for government contractors to report wages paid to employees, by gender. Provides penalties for contractors found to be in violation of these practices, including liquidated damages and suspension from government contract work. Also prohibits contractors on certain government contracts from retaliating against employees who disclose wage information. Effective 07/01/2050. (SD2)	H 3/17/2015: The committee(s) on LAB recommend(s) that the measure be deferred. Dead	BAKER, GREEN, Espero, Keith-Agaran, Nishihara, Taniguchi
SB766	RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION.	Requires that a physician selected and paid for by an employer to conduct a medical examination for workers' compensation purposes shall be actively treating at least ten patients in a one-month period; be actively treating at least 50 per cent of the physician's total patient load in a one-month period; and possess medical malpractice insurance. Defines "actively treating".	S 2/18/2015: Report adopted; Passed Second Reading and referred to JDL. Dead	SHIMABUKURO, CHUN OAKLAND, Ihara

SB803 SD1	RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION.	Requires a workers' compensation impartial exam to be conducted by a doctor whose specialty is appropriate for the injury to be examined in cases where the director of labor and industrial relations appoints a doctor to conduct an exam. Appropriates funds for the purpose of this measure. Effective 01/07/2059. (SD1)	S 2/27/2015: The committee on WAM deferred the measure. Dead	GREEN
SB838	RELATING TO CONTRACTORS.	Allows the contractors license board to accept in lieu of a specific experience requirement for licensure, equivalent knowledge, training, or experience, including self-employed or unlicensed experience, if the board investigates and makes a detailed written finding available for public inspection.	S 1/28/2015: Referred to CPN. Dead	KIDANI, INOUYE, Dela Cruz, Espero, Galuteria, Nishihara, Riviere, Wakai
SB839	RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY.	Prohibits a general engineering and general building contractor from doing any work that requires it to act as a specialty contractor in an area the general contractor is not licensed to operate.	S 1/28/2015: Referred to CPN. Dead	KIDANI, Dela Cruz, Espero, Galuteria, Kahele
SB903	RELATING TO EMPLOYEE LEAVE.	Requires government employers to provide employees paid leave to attend parent-teacher, parent-caregiver, or early intervention services conferences. Adds early intervention services conferences to the list of conferences for which government employees shall be eligible to receive paid leave to attend.	S 1/28/2015: Referred to JDL, WAM. Dead	CHUN OAKLAND

SB965	RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT.	Establishes a family leave insurance program, which requires employees to make contributions into a trust fund to be used to provide employees with family leave insurance benefits in order to care for a designated person. Appropriates funds to DLIR to implement the program.	S 1/28/2015: Referred to HSH/JDL, WAM. Dead	CHUN OAKLAND, IHARA, Baker, Espero, Galuteria
SB1025	RELATING TO MANDATORY SICK LEAVE.	Requires employers to provide a minimum amount of paid sick leave to employees to care for themselves or a family member who is ill, needs medical care, or is a victim of domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking.	S 1/28/2015: Referred to JDL, WAM. Dead	CHUN OAKLAND, Keith-Agaran
SB1055	RELATING TO IRONWORKERS.	Regulates ironworkers in the State by: establishing a board of ironworkers; requiring licensure for master ironworkers and journeyman ironworkers in Hawaii; and setting minimum qualification and continued competency requirements for licensure of ironworkers.	S 1/28/2015: Referred to CPN, WAM. Dead	KIDANI
SB1121 SD1	RELATING TO WAGES AND HOURS ON PUBLIC WORKS LAW.	Requires laborers and mechanics working on public works to file complaints within three years of the date the payment was due and ensure confidentiality of the complainant. Effective January 7, 2059. (SD1)	H 3/12/2015: Referred to LAB, JUD. Dead	KIM (Introduced by request of another party)
SB1122 HD1	RELATING TO WAGE AND HOUR LAW.	Increases the amount of guaranteed monthly compensation required to exempt an individual from minimum wage, overtime, and record keeping requirements under the Hawaii Wage and Hour Law. (SB1122 HD1)	S 4/30/2015: Conference committee meeting to reconvene on 05-01-15 10:15AM in conference room 325. Dead	KIM (Introduced by request of another party)

SB1174 SD2 HD2	RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION.	Provides that an independent medical examination and permanent impairment rating examination shall be conducted by a qualified physician selected by the mutual agreement of the parties. Provides a process for appointment in the event that there is no mutual agreement. (SB1174 HD2)	S 4/29/2015: Conference committee meeting to reconvene on 04-30-15 3:00PM in conference room 229. Dead	GREEN, Espero, Riviere, Ruderman
SB1188	RELATING TO SMALL BUSINESS.	Makes an appropriation to the department of business, economic development, and tourism for the small business regulatory review board to acquire additional staff.	S 1/28/2015: Referred to EDT, WAM. Dead	WAKAI, KAHELE, Baker, Dela Cruz, Espero, Galuteria, Inouye, Keith-Agaran, Kidani, Nishihara,
SB1219 SD2 HD1	RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT SECURITY.	Clarifies Hawaii's employment security law for employee status. Includes 20 factors to be used as guidelines when determining whether an individual could be an employee. Retains the ability of the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to determine if an individual is an employee. Requires the Director of Labor and Industrial Relations to report to the Legislature prior to the regular session of 2016 regarding guidelines developed by the Unemployment Insurance Coverage Committee. Requires an annual report over the next five years to the Legislature regarding covered employment determinations. (SB1219 HD1)	S 4/29/2015: Conference committee meeting to reconvene on 04-30-15 10:00AM in conference room 325. Dead	BAKER, Kidani, Wakai

SB1291 SD2 HD2 CD1	RELATING TO MEDICAL MARIJUANA.	Prohibits discrimination against medical marijuana patients and their caregivers by schools, landlords, courts with regard to medical care or parental rights, planned community associations, condominium property regimes, or condominiums. (CD1)	S 5/8/2015: Enrolled to Governor.	KEITH-AGARAN, ENGLISH, ESPERO, RUDERMAN, Dela Cruz, Galuteria, Kahele, Shimabukuro
SB1304	RELATING TO FIRE SPRINKLERS.	Establishes a tax credit of twenty-five per cent of the total cost, including installation, of an automatic fire sprinkler or automatic fire sprinkler system in any new detached one- or two-family dwelling unit in a structure used only for residential purposes. Sunsets on June 30, 2025.	S 2/2/2015: Referred to PSM/HSB, WAM. Dead	KOUCHI (Introduced by request of another party)
SB1317	RELATING TO TAXATION.	Increases the excise tax levied on wholesale sales from 0.5 per cent to 1.0 per cent for calendar years 2016 and 2017. Requires that in calendar years 2016 and 2017, 50 per cent of the tax revenue increase from 2015 to 2016 and 2015 to 2017 be equally disbursed to each of the four counties for infrastructure development and 50 percent be disbursed to the department of education for public school expenses, not including personnel salaries.	S 2/2/2015: Referred to EDU/PSM, WAM. Dead	CHUN OAKLAND, Kidani
SB1328	RELATING TO SUSTAINABLE LIVING.	Establishes a permit that exempts sustainable living research and sites from certain county codes, ordinances, and rules. Appropriates funds.	S 2/2/2015: Referred to WTL/PSM/HTH, WAM. Dead	KOUCHI (Introduced by request of another party)

SB1354 SD1	RELATING TO THE HAWAII STATE BUILDING CODES.	Authorizes the governing body of each county to adopt, as appropriate, more current internationally and nationally recognized codes and standards if the state building code council has not adopted new model building codes and standards as required in section 107-24, Hawaii Revised Statutes. (SD1)	S 2/20/2015: Report adopted; Passed Second Reading, as amended (SD 1) and referred to CPN. Dead	ENGLISH (Introduced by request of another party)
SB1357 SD1	RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.	Requires every government procurement officer to attend initial training by the state procurement office and regular follow-up training as determined by the state procurement office. Appropriates funds for the acquisition of a learning management system and for one full-time equivalent position to develop and implement a procurement training program. (SD1)	S 2/20/2015: Report adopted; Passed Second Reading, as amended (SD 1) and referred to JDL/WAM. Dead	KIM
SB1358 SD1	RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.	Requires the state procurement office to establish a database of certain government procurement contract data, accessible to each governmental body. Appropriates funds to establish the database. (SD1)	S 2/19/2015: Report adopted; Passed Second Reading, as amended (SD 1) and referred to WAM. Dead	KIM

SR23 SD1	REQUESTING A STUDY REGARDING THE NEED TO INCREASE THE DOLLAR THRESHOLD THAT DETERMINES WHETHER A SMALL PURCHASE IS EXEMPT FROM SMALL PURCHASE PROCUREMENT PROCEDURES.		S 4/1/2015: Report adopted, as amended (SD 1) and referred to WAM. Dead	KOUCHI
SCR190 SD1	REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO INVENTORY ALL OPEN CONTRACTS SINCE 2010 TO THE PRESENT FOR ALL STATE AGENCIES AND ASSIST THE AGENCIES WITH CLOSING AND RESOLVING ANY DISPUTES.		S 4/1/2015: Report adopted, as amended (SD 1) and referred to WAM. Dead	DELA CRUZ, CHUN OAKLAND, KIDANI, Kahele, Nishihara, Shimabukuro, Wakai
SR125 SD1	REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO INVENTORY ALL OPEN CONTRACTS SINCE 2010 TO THE PRESENT FOR ALL STATE AGENCIES AND ASSIST THE AGENCIES WITH CLOSING AND RESOLVING ANY DISPUTES.		S 4/1/2015: Report adopted, as amended (SD 1) and referred to WAM. Dead	DELA CRUZ, CHUN OAKLAND, KIDANI, Kahele, Nishihara, Shimabukuro, Wakai

SCR54 SD1	REQUESTING A STUDY REGARDING THE NEED TO INCREASE THE DOLLAR THRESHOLD THAT DETERMINES WHETHER A SMALL PURCHASE IS EXEMPT FROM SMALL PURCHASE PROCUREMENT PROCEDURES.		S 4/1/2015: Report adopted, as amended (SD 1) and referred to WAM. Dead	KOUCHI
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