



2021 Hawaii Legislative Bills

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Important Dates:

January 27-Bill Intro Cutoff

February 19-First Lateral (Deadline by which a bill must move to the final referral committee)

March 5-First Crossover (bills go from house to senate or vice versa)

March 25-Second Lateral (Deadline by which a crossover bill must move to the final referral committee)

April 9-Second Crossover (bills go back to the original house or senate)

May 7-Adj sine die (last day of session)

Key: **Bill passed**, **Bill moving**, **Bill stalled**, **Bill dead (for this session)**, **Bill signed by Governor**

Bill number	Title Description	Introducer(s)	Status
HB423	RELATING TO A DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION	WILDBERGER, GANADEN, LOPRESTI, LOWEN, MATSUMOTO, MCKELVEY, TAM, Kapela	1/27/21-Referred to EEP/AGR/HHH, CPC, FIN
SB968	<i>Establishes the department of environmental protection. Transfers jurisdiction of certain functions and employees of the department of land and natural resources, department of agriculture, and department of health to the department of environmental protection</i>	ACASIO, CHANG, FEVELLA, Ihara, Kanuha, Shimabukuro	1/29/21-Referred to AEN/WTL/GVO, JDC
HB496	RELATING TO FISHING	TARNAS	1/27/21-Referred to WAL, CPC
SB690	<i>Conditions the designation of community-based subsistence fishing areas upon approval of the affected community</i>	INOUE, Riviere	2/3/21- The committee on WTL deferred the measure
HB553 HD2	RELATING TO THE PROTECTION OF SHARKS <i>Establishes an offense of knowingly</i>	LOWEN, BRANCO, DECOITE, GANADEN,	3/23/21-In Senate: reported passed from AEN/WTC; still

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SB712 SD1	<i>Requires that the Executive Director of the Aha Moku Advisory Committee shall be subject to the advice and consent of the Senate with a term limit of four years</i>	English, Keohokalole, Baker, Fevella, Gabbard, Kim, Nishihara, Shimabukuro	<i>2/19/21-Passed second reading and referred to JDC</i>
HB748	RELATING TO THE AHA MOKU ADVISORY COMMITTEE	Tokioka	<i>1/27/21-Referred to JHA, FIN</i>
SB713	<i>Repeals the Aha Moku Advisory Committee on July 1, 2021. Effective 6/30/2021</i>	English, Keith-Agaran, Keohokalole, Fevella	<i>2/9/21- WTL recommended measure be passed with amendments; Recommendation was not adopted</i>
HB 1200	RELATING TO GOVERNMENT <i>Prohibits the appointment of state officers and employees to boards and commissions unless otherwise provided</i>	Saiki	<i>2/1/21- referred to JHA</i>
HB1016 HD1	RELATING TO COMMERCIAL MARINE LICENSES <i>Clarifies that a valid commercial marine vessel license shall satisfy the commercial marine license requirement for all persons taking marine life for commercial purposes aboard a validly licensed vessel; requires any person who provides fishing charter services to obtain a commercial marine license.</i>	SAIKI (Introduced by request of another party) KOUCHI (Introduced by request of another party)	<i>3/15/21-In Senate: passed WTL; still needs to be heard in JDC/WAM</i> <i>1/29/21-Referred to WTL/CDC</i>
HB1017	RELATING TO CRUSTACEANS <i>Repeals section 188-58.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, which prohibits the taking or killing of female spiny lobsters, Kona crabs, and Samoan crabs</i>	SAIKI (Introduced by request of another party) KOUCHI (Introduced by request of another party)	<i>3/19/21- In Senate: Passed WTL; still needs to be heard in JDC</i> <i>1/29/21- Referred to WTL, JDC</i>

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	<i>Establishes penalties for refusal to comply with inspection requests made by any police officer or agent of the Department upon whom the Board has conferred police powers</i>		
HB 1023 HD1	RELATING TO A NONRESIDENT RECREATIONAL MARINE FISHING LICENSE <i>Establishes a nonresident recreational marine fishing license requirement and fees to enable the department of land and natural resources to more effectively manage the marine fisheries resources of the State. Prohibits nonresidents, with certain exceptions, from fishing, taking, or catching marine life without a nonresident recreational marine fishing license. Effective 1/1/2050</i>	SAIKI (Introduced by request of another party)	<i>3/15/21- In Senate: Passed by WTL; still needs to be heard by WAM</i>
SB1177		KOUCHI (Introduced by request of another party)	<i>1/29/21- Referred to WTL/WAM</i>
HB1084	RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION <i>Prohibits the harvesting of aquatic life for commercial aquarium purposes, regardless of the method of collection</i>	LOWEN, KAPELA, LOPRESTI, MCKELVEY, NAKAMURA, PERRUSO, QUINLAN, TAM, TODD, WILDBERGER	<i>2/1/21- Referred to WAL/CPC</i>
SB344		GABBARD, LEE, RHOADS, Chang	<i>1/25/21- Referred to WTL, CDC</i>
HB1089	RELATING TO FISHING <i>Prohibits fishing at any time in the Waikiki-Diamond Head shoreline fisheries management area or the area between the Waikiki War Memorial Natatorium and the Diamond Head Lighthouse. Effective 10/1/2021</i>	B. KOBAYASHI	<i>2/1/21- Referred to WAL, JHA</i>
HB1346 HD1	RELATING TO FOOD SUSTAINABILITY <i>Requires the department of agriculture,</i>	DECOITE	<i>2/19/21- Passed by WAL and referred to FIN</i>

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SB1344 SD2	<i>in coordination with the appropriate departmental agency, to prepare and periodically update a functional plan for seafood sustainability that expands the State's priority on food by including wild seafood as a viable food source</i>	ENGLISH, KEITH- AGARAN, Shimabukuro	3/19/21-In House: passed WAL; also referred to FIN
HB1150	RELATING TO FISHING <i>Requires the department of land and natural resources to license non-commercial marine fishing along with freshwater fishing, engage in public outreach prior to implementing the combined non-commercial freshwater and marine fishing license, and submit reports to the legislature. Prohibits enforcement of requirement to obtain a license to catch marine life for non-commercial purposes until 6/1/2022</i>	TARNAS, DECOITE, GANADEN, LOPRESTI, LOWEN, MORIKAWA, NAKASHIMA, PERRUSO, WILDBERGER, Tam	2/4/21- WAL recommended measure be deferred
SB181	RELATING TO AQUATIC RESOURCES <i>Establishes the aquatic resources management advisory commission in the department of land and natural resources</i>	KOUCHI (Introduced by request of another party)	2/1/21-WTL deleted the measure from the public hearing for 2/3
SB255 SD2	RELATING TO COMMERCIAL MARINE LICENSES <i>Authorizes the department of land and natural resources to establish rules and fees for the issuance of a commercial marine vessel license. Provides that a single valid commercial marine vessel license satisfies the licensure requirement for all persons aboard the licensed vessel. Requires any person who provides fishing charter services to obtain a commercial marine license. Allows marine charter fishing vessels to obtain commercial marine vessel licenses</i>	INOUYE, BAKER, KEITH- AGARAN, MISALUCHA	3/11/21-received in House; referred to WAL, CPC, FIN
SB1012	RELATING TO FISHERMAN SAFETY <i>Prohibits purposeful harassment with the intent to prevent the taking of fish from</i>	KANUHA, KEITH- AGARAN, Moriwaki	1/29/21- Referred to WTL/JDC

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	<i>persons who are fishing in state waters</i>		
SB1013	RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES <i>Increases fines for aquarium fishing violations</i>	KANUHA	<i>1/29/21- Referred to WTL/JDC</i>
SB1400	RELATING TO NATURAL RESOURCE PROTECTION <i>Establishes the Moku Manu marine state monument. Manages certain ocean recreation activities within the monument</i>	LEE, CHANG, GABBARD, KEITH-AGARAN, KEOHOKALOLE, English, Ihara, Kidani, Moriwaki, Riviere, Shimabukuro, Taniguchi, Wakai	<i>2/1/21- Referred to WTL, WAM</i>