

**HOUSE BILLS – SECOND CROSSOVER  
HAWAII ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS  
(HAR/ 102871)**

BILL NO.	TITLE OF BILL	DESCRIPTION	HAR'S POSITION	COMM REFERRAL
271	Relating to Real Property	Permits the registrar of the bureau of conveyances to accept electronic documents with electronic signatures for recording, to provide electronic documents in response to a request, and to convert existing records to electronic format. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD2)	Support	WLO, JUD, FIN CPN, JGO
611	Relating to Taxation	Amends the capital goods excise tax credit so that it applies only to property placed in service or purchased pursuant to a binding contract in taxable years beginning before July 1, 2009; suspends the credit for taxable years beginning on or after July 1, 2009, and ending on or before December 31, 2011; and adds a new part for property placed in service or purchased pursuant to a binding contract in taxable years beginning after December 31, 2011. Requires the department of taxation, with the assistance of the department of business, economic development, and tourism, to evaluate certain tax credits and tax exemptions and report to the legislature. Requires DoTAX to give recommendations and for the legislature to implement those recommendations prior to the mandate for those tax credits and tax exemptions to sunset. (SD1)	Oppose	FIN EDT, WAM
640	Relating to Environmental Impact Statements	Exempts from the purview of chapter 343, HRS, the environmental review law, primary actions that require a ministerial permit, that involve secondary actions relating to infrastructure development within public right-of-ways that have no significant effect on the environment. Effective 7/1/2075. (SD2)	Supports the Intent	EEP/WLO ENE/TIA, JGO

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1212	Relating to Information Practices	Deletes the exception of a record of complaints with respect to government information relating to an individual's fitness for a license, when balancing an unwarranted invasion of a person's privacy against the public disclosure of the record. Effective on approval. Sunsets 7/1/2014. (SD1)	Support	JUD JGO
1273	Relating to Energy	Allows for the use of clotheslines at any privately owned single-family residential dwelling or townhouse. Allows reasonable restrictions on the use of clotheslines. (SD2)	Comment	EEP/HSG ENE, CPN
1405	Relating to Streamlined Sales and Use Tax	Adopts amendments to Hawaii tax laws to implement the streamlined sales and use tax agreement. Effective on the latter of January 1, 2050, or when the United States Congress enacts legislation by consenting to the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement. (SD2)	Support	EBM., FIN EDT, WAM
1605	Relating to Taxation (Hawaii Tax Review Initiative)	Authorizes each county to establish a retail sales tax on sales of tangible personal property. (SD1)	Oppose	FIN WAM
1739	Relating to Taxation	Deters tax fraud and conforms Hawaii tax law to the Internal Revenue Code for tax preparers and tax return accuracy-related issues, promotes expedited tax appeals, authorizes the Department of Taxation to adopt temporary rules, and clarifies taxpayer rights with respect to tax appeals. (SD1)	Comment	FIN WAM

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1741	Relating to Conveyance Tax	Temporarily reduces the distribution of portions of the Conveyance Tax transferred to the Land Conservation Fund, the Rental Housing Trust Fund and the Natural Area Reserve Fund. Increases the conveyance tax rate for certain sales. (SD1)	Oppose	FIN WAM
1744	Relating to Transient Accommodations Tax	Authorizes each county, by ordinance, to impose a surcharge on transient accommodations tax, not to exceed 5%. Repeals section 237D-6.5(b)(3), Hawaii Revised Statutes, that distributes transient accommodations tax proceeds to counties. Effective date 7/1/2046. (SD1)	Oppose	FIN WAM
1747	Relating to Taxation	Increases the income tax for high income brackets. Repeals the increases on 12/31/15. (HB1747 SD1)	Oppose	FIN WAM
HCR3 08/HR 280	URGING LANDLORDS TO HELP COMMERCIAL TENANTS MAINTAIN THEIR LEASES IN ORDER TO CONTINUE THEIR BUSINESS DURING DIFFICULT ECONOMIC TIMES.	Landlords; commercial leases	Support	EBM, JUD

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HCR1 76/HR 140	URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO CONSIDER ADOPTING NEW HOMEOWNER LENDING STANDARDS FOR MORTGAGE LENDING COMPANIES THAT RECEIVE FEDERAL AID	Homeowner Lending Standards	Comments	HSG, CPC