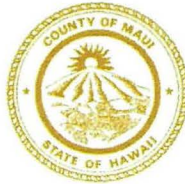


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August 7, 2025

Honorable Richard T. Bissen, Jr.  
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200 South High Street  
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

For Transmittal to:

Honorable Alice L. Lee, Chair  
Maui County Council  
200 South High Street  
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Chair Lee:

**SUBJECT: A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 3.48, MAUI COUNTY CODE, RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY DEDICATED AS 'ĀINA KŪPUNA**

In response to BFED Committee Chair Yuki Lei K. Sugimura's November 18, 2024 request regarding real property tax exemptions, the Department of Finance is transmitting a proposed bill entitled, "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 3.48.61, MAUI COUNTY CODE, RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY DEDICATED AS 'ĀINA KŪPUNA." May we request for this bill to be placed on the next Council meeting agenda.

The purpose of the proposed bill is to amend Maui County Code, Section 3.48.361 to limit new applicants to those who would qualify as of January 1, 2026, perpetually.

There are about 33 parcels receiving the 'Aina Kūpuna dedication for Fiscal Year 2025-26. The dedication is providing an estimated \$967,373 in tax relief. This bill will sustain the program by stabilizing future costs.

APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL

*Richard T. Bissen, Jr.*  
Mayor  
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Thank you for your attention to this matter. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or Deputy Director Maria Zielinski at extension 7722.

Sincerely,



MARCY MARTIN  
Director of Finance

Attachments