



Legislation Text

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Recommending **ADOPTION** of resolution to include in the 2018 Hawaii State Association of Counties Legislative Package, State bills, attached as exhibits to the resolution, as follows:

1. A State bill to clarify County zoning authority by distinguishing single-family residential use from single-family vacation rental use and to allow amortization by ordinance for single-family transient vacation rentals over a reasonable period.
2. A State bill to provide 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.
3. A State bill to provide a taxpayer who hires an elderly individual a nonrefundable tax credit for the six-month period after the individual is initially hired by the taxpayer.
4. A State bill to eliminate the cap for distribution of transient accommodations tax revenues to the counties.
5. A State bill to establish a tax credit of 25 percent of the total cost, including installation, of an automatic fire suppression system in any new detached one- or two-family dwelling unit in a structure used only for residential purposes, with a sunset date of June 30, 2025.
6. A State bill to increase revenue for each county's affordable housing fund through a one-percent conveyance tax on the sale of condominiums or single-family residences with a value of more than \$2,000,000.
7. A State bill to amend the transient accommodations tax ("TAT") law to require online travel companies and other transient accommodations remarketers to pay TAT on their portion of proceeds from the booking of accommodations to increase TAT revenue to the benefit of every county in the State.
8. A State bill to amend the Sunshine Law to allow certain government records to be shared among public board members where no commitment relating to a vote on the matter is made or sought.
9. A State bill to implement Act 183, Session Laws of Hawaii 2005, in accordance with the State's constitutional duty to protect important agricultural lands, by providing funds to the counties for the identification and mapping of important agricultural lands.
10. A State bill to allow a representative of each county council to be present as a non-voting participant in negotiations with bargaining units if the relevant county has employees in the particular bargaining unit.
11. A State bill to make permanent the protections in Act 170, Session Laws of Hawaii 2002, which provided the State, counties, and lifeguards immunity from liability against damages arising from the acts or omissions of lifeguards while performing emergency lifeguard services.
12. A State bill to provide for identification by the judiciary of fines paid for uncontested traffic infractions and to allow for specified portions of those fines to be paid to the counties.

13. A State bill to appropriate funds to the Department of Health for the purchase of an ambulance vehicle and the operational costs for one ambulance unit, including equipment, supplies, and personnel costs for State-certified emergency medical services personnel, for a 24-hour, 7-days-a-week, ambulance unit for the County of Kauai.
14. A State bill to establish unmanned aerial vehicle laws and rules that complement federal rules and regulations.
15. A State bill to amend the permitted interaction for board members attending an informational meeting, pursuant to Section 92-2.5(e), Hawaii Revised Statutes, to provide that the limitation on number of attendees shall not apply to members of a county council.
16. A State bill to allow persons with disabilities to indicate their disability on their identification cards.
17. A State bill to provide a fair, consistent, and predictable priority allocation of transient accommodations tax revenues, including an allocation to the counties of 45 percent of the amount of revenues remaining after all other allocations are made.