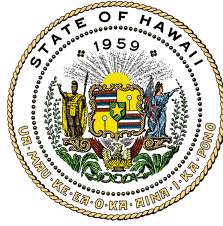


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**PABEA LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**IN-PERSON AND VIA ZOOM**

No. 1 Capitol District | 250 South Hotel Street | Conference Room 410  
**Friday, January 9, 2026 | 9:30am-11am**

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**AGENDA**

**I. Guest Speakers:**

- A. (9:30am-9:45am) Representative Lisa Marten, Chair of the House Committee on Human Services and Homelessness. Rep. Marten will discuss the coming 2026 legislative session.
- B. (9:45am-10am) Coby Chock, Director of Policy and Advocacy at Alzheimer's Association Aloha Chapter. Coby will present the legislative priorities of Alzheimer's Association including:
  - HANA Memory Network
  - University of Hawai'i Alzheimer's Research
  - Dementia Training for First Responders

**II. Call to Order and Roll Call**

III. Housekeeping Procedures – Chair Tabor to review at each meeting

- This meeting is being recorded.
- A quorum of Board members is required to be visible on screen for the full duration of the meeting.
- If quorum is not achieved at the beginning of the meeting or quorum is lost, the meeting will be stopped and cancelled.
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- Everyone is muted upon entry.
- Raise hand to speak unless called upon.
- Identify yourself before speaking.
- The Zoom moderator will admit people from the Waiting Room and assist with issues.

IV. Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes: December 5, 2025 (See attached)

V. Suggestions for Guest Speakers- February meeting

Possible speakers to include Tori Caraphelo, founder of Hearing 4 Hope and Connie Mitchell, Executive Director for the Institute on Human Services.

- Other suggestions for speakers? Would the committee like to continue having guest speakers during legislative session?

VI. Proposed 2026 Legislative Focus

Suggestion for the committee to focus on three main issue areas:

- Food (e.g. food insecurity, SNAP, etc.)
- Shelter (e.g. high cost of living, affordable housing, houselessness, etc.)
- Safety (e.g. access to healthcare, Medicaid, hearing loss, frauds and scams, disaster/emergency preparedness)

VII. 2026 Kupuna Caucus (KC) Legislation Package

A. Below are the top 5 bills that KC members voted on to include in the legislative package (see attached: Kupuna Caucus Ballot Results):

- Caregiver Tax Credit
- First Responders Dementia Training
- KupunAloha Program
- Primary Residence Tax for Seniors (possible County Issue)
- Fast Tracking Home Modification Permits for Seniors (possible County issue)
- Alternate Bills for KC Legislative Package
  - Kupuna Rent Supplement Program (making it permanent)
  - State Plan for Hearing Loss

B. Discussion:

- o Vote on whether to support and recommend each of the 5 bills selected for the 2026 KC legislative package? Vote on Alternate KC bills (see attached: 2026 Kupuna Caucus Legislation Proposals)?
- o Assign and/or confirm “lead” member for the bill. Member assigned as the “lead” is expected to monitor the bill’s status, provide testimony on behalf of PABEA, and provide an update on the bill at committee meetings.

VIII. Other Bills for Consideration for PABEA Legislative Priorities: New Proposals or 2025 Legislative Bills

- Cancellation Notice for Long-Term Care Insurance
- Other bills.

IX. Community Care Foster Family Homes and Housing Access Bill (see attached document “Community Care Foster Family Homes and Housing Access for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities”) – Long-Term Care Ombudsman, John McDermott to discuss.

VIII. Preamble for PABEA Testimony Reminder:

Below is the recommended preamble for committee members to use when submitting testimony on behalf of PABEA:

“I am first and last name [“Chair, Vice Chair, member] of the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs (PABEA), which is an appointed board tasked with advising the Executive Office on Aging (EOA). My testimony does not represent the views of the EOA but of PABEA.”

IX. Agenda Items for Next Meeting

X. Public Testimony

XI. Announcements

1. Fall Prevention Survey (see attached: Hawai'i Falls Prevention Landscape Survey)- Hawai'i Falls Prevention Alliance (HFPA) is gathering input to better understand falls among older adults and identify what's needed to strengthen falls prevention for our kūpuna and the community. This anonymous survey (copies made available for meeting attendees) is open to all community members. The survey takes about 5-10 minutes to complete. Please return the completed survey to the program or your contact person. Survey results will be shared on the website at [hifallsprevention.org](http://hifallsprevention.org).
2. RAC (Recognition & Awards) Committee meeting held remotely via Zoom and was scheduled on Thursday, January 8 @ 9:30am.

3. PABEA meeting scheduled on Friday, January 9 at 12p.m. In person and remote meeting via Zoom.
4. Kupuna Caucus meeting scheduled on Friday, January 9 via Zoom or YouTube Live.

Per Sunshine Law, any agenda item/s and announcement/s will need to be listed on the agenda. Please reach out to the Chair to request an agenda item/s or announcement be added for future meetings.

The next **Legislative Committee meeting** is scheduled on **Friday, February 6 from 9:30-11am**. Meetings are held in-person in the EOA Large Conference Room 406, and remotely via Zoom.

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