The 30th Legislative Session began on Wednesday, January 15, 2020 at 10:00am. Recess was called March 18, 2020 due to COVID-19. Both the House and the Senate started holding Special COVID-19 Committee Hearings (which are currently still happening).

The Legislature reconvened May 11, 2020 but focused exclusively on addressing budgetary items and Governor’s Messages (advise and consent measures being taken up by the Senate). On May 21, 2020 the legislature went back into recess. The session reconvened on June 22, 2020 and officially ended on July 10, 2020.

There were 2.598 House Bills and 2,577 Senate Bills introduced for a total of 5,175 bills introduced this Session. There were 200 House Concurrent Resolutions and 245 Senate Concurrent Resolutions for a total of 445 Concurrent Resolutions. For a grand total of 5,620 measures.

**The Council initially monitored and tracked** 320 measures.

**By the end of the session**, the Council submitted 45 testimonies. Supporting 31 different measures and commenting on 3 different measures.

**For the 30th 2020 Legislative Session:**

**1 Concurrent Resolution passed –** HCR 26; A tax map key on submerged state land on the windward side.

**82 measures have passed through the** House and the Senate and transmitted to the Governor for his signature.

**8 measures were vetoed by the Governor**. Unfortunately, we aren’t sure why the Governor vetoed these measures. We were told he would have to veto a bill if it wasn’t 100% in compliance with all laws. One measure that was vetoed was specifically for DOE. House Bill 1523, Relating to the Department of Education – CARES Act money in the sum of $6,400,000 shall be used for the purposes of covering the costs of devices for schools having identified needs and student populations of fifty per cent or greater who qualify to receive free or reduced price lunch was one bill that was vetoed.

**0 measures were Veto Overridden**

**76 measures become law**; 69 with the Governor’s signature and 8 without the Governor’s signature.

In addition to the budget bills that passed, we supported the following bills that became law;

**HB 2725 -** Relating to capital improvement projects

Page 131design and construction projects to bring the DOE in compliance with ADA, and gender equity requirements

Page 134 (list the schools) Design, construction, and equipment to maintain and improve doe's converged infrastructure providing bells and paging for school safety; converged infrastructure providing schools access to on—line learning and internet resources; equipment and appurtenances.

**HB1637** Repeals the spending ceiling for moneys in the civil monetary penalty special fund for use by the Department of Health for Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services-approved compliance activities.

**HB1929** Extends the deadline for the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation to renegotiate an existing, or issue a new, ground lease for the Front Street Apartments affordable housing project before the corporation's requirement to initiate condemnation proceedings is triggered.

**HB2543** DHS; DOE; Preschool Open Doors Program; Executive Office on Early Learning

**SB2486** Requires the Department of Education to establish a standardized data collection process; collect and analyze data relating to, among other things, student discipline, seclusion, and restraint, school climate, and student achievement; and annually report certain information to the board of education, legislature, and the public.

**HB2590** Establishes within DOT an autonomous vehicle testing pilot program.

Being that this was the second year of the two-year biennium; all measures are considered from the 2019 and 2020 legislative sessions.