

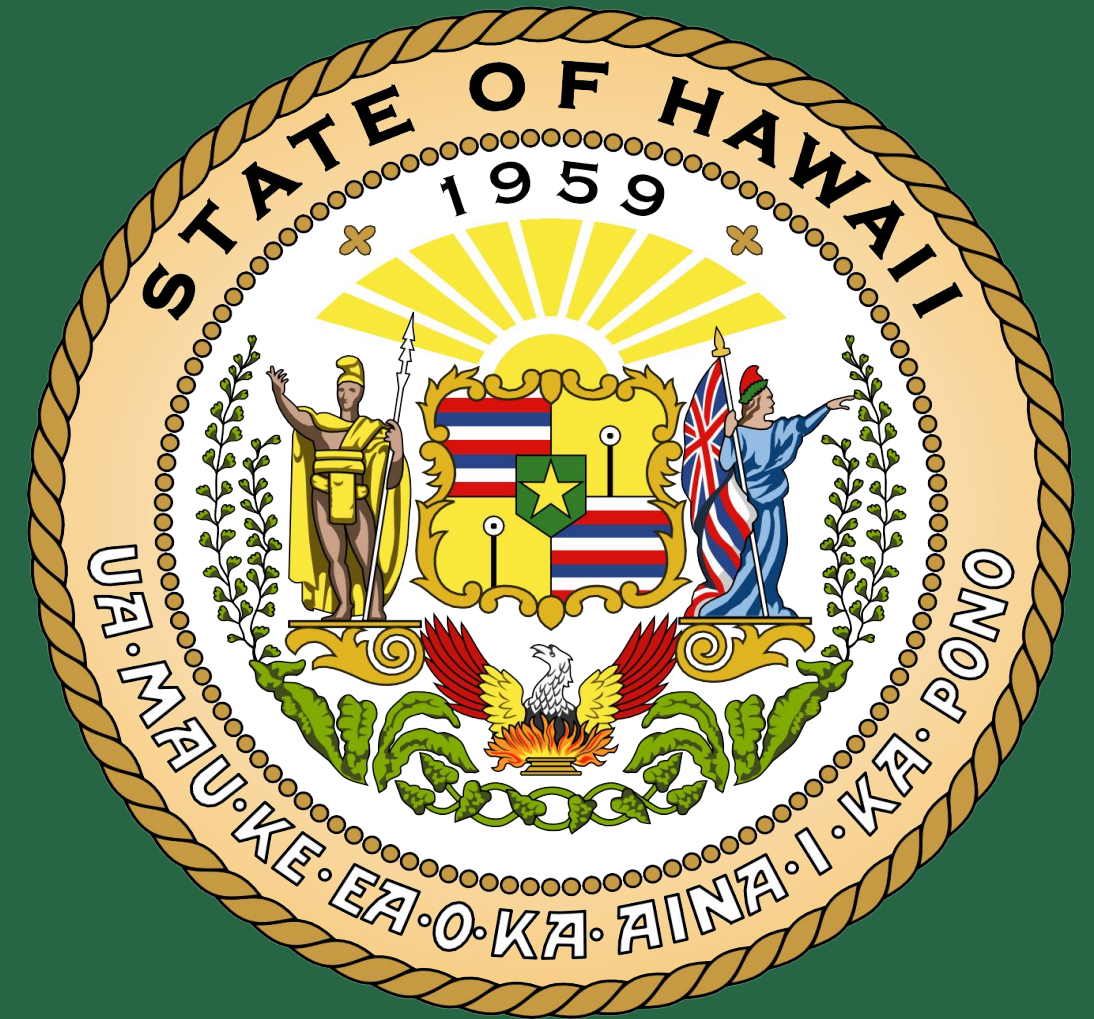
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*Senate Bill 1396*

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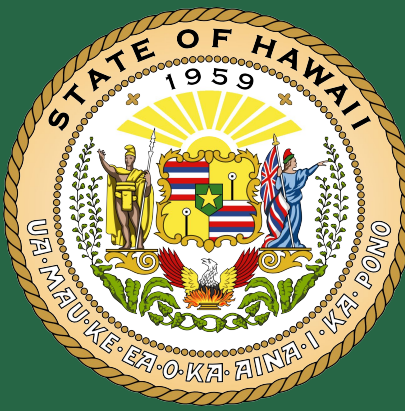
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# SB 1396: A Climate Resilience & Hazard Mitigation Solution

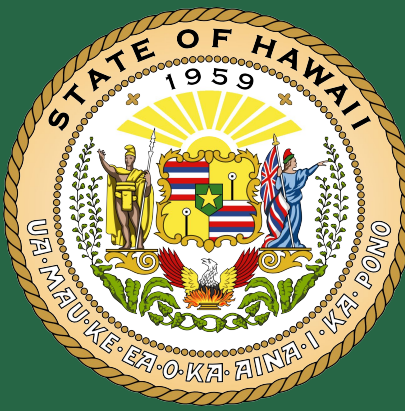


- ❖ In 2024, we established the Climate Advisory Team (CAT) to develop policies for climate and hazard resilience.
- ❖ The CAT identified the need for dedicated funding to support climate disaster prevention and mitigation efforts.
- ❖ Governor Green pushed to establish a Green Fee and introduced SB 1396.





# The Green Fee: Dedicated Funding for Climate Resilience

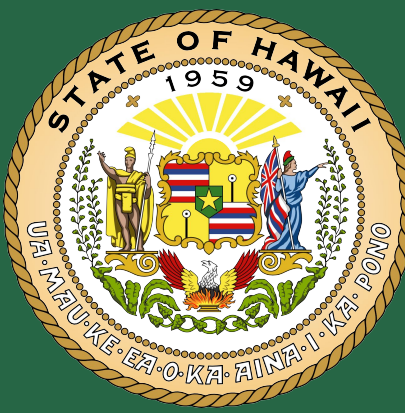


- ❖ First legislation of its kind in the nation.
- ❖ Funds climate resilience and economic development while minimizing burden to local residents.
- ❖ Collaboration with the tourism industry to protect our natural resources.
- ❖ Expected to generate \$100M annually.





# The Green Fee: Funding Resiliency Through the TAT

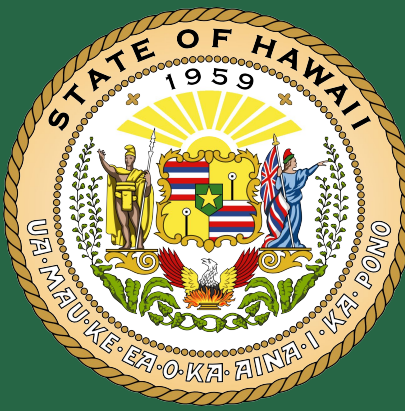


- ❖ Increases the Transient Accommodations Tax (TAT) by 0.75%
  - Includes TAT on cruise ships
- ❖ Revenues will fund environmental conservation, climate resilience and sustainable tourism.





# Funding Our Future



- ❖ Environmental stewardship
  - Protect land and aquatic resources, preserve native flora and fauna
- ❖ Climate and hazard resiliency
  - Harden infrastructure, mitigate wildfire and flood risks
- ❖ Sustainable tourism
  - Destination management, beach nourishment, park improvements







Mahalo!

