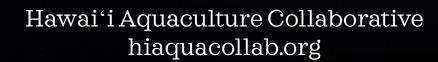
# WELCOME!

Aquaculture Tech & Research Brown Bag May 17, 2023 Noon – 12:30 p.m. Hawai'i Aquaculture 2023 Legislative Wrap Up

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- Sessions are recorded and will be posted with slides on the Actions page of hiaquacollab.org
- Introduce yourselves in the chat.
- Discuss! Use the handraising feature or ask questions/make comments in the chat.

- Future sessions
  - June 14@noon-limu
  - Coming soon: Hawai'i aquaculture strategic planning sessions
- Have an aquaculture problem to solve? Contact Kai @ bradleyf@hawaii.edu

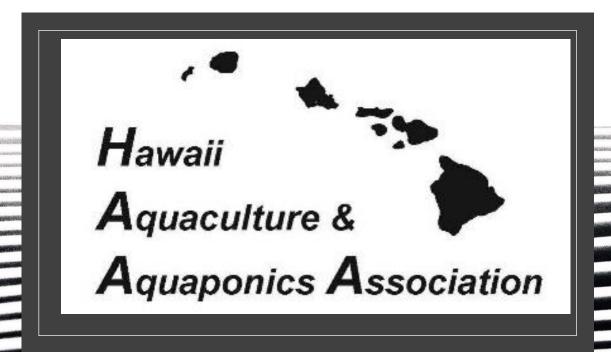


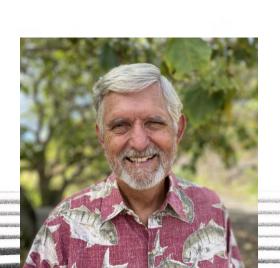


#### THRIVE Hawaii Agrifood Summit September 26 and 27, 2023 Hawaii Convention Center Honolulu, Hawaii

# Developing Sustainable Food, Agriculture And Aquaculture Solutions For The Asia Pacific Region

Join us for this two-day event and hear from leading experts on sustainable agriculture and aquaculture practices along with global corporate leaders on industry trends and innovation. The event will consist of keynote speeches, panel conversations, start-up pitches and more.

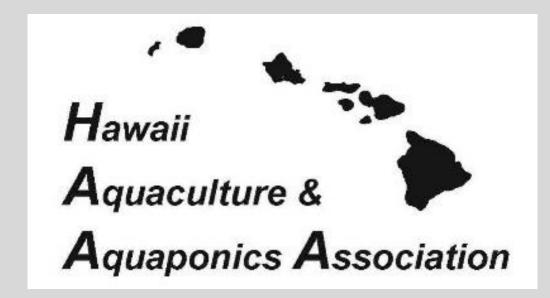








# What is the Hawai'i Aquaculture and Aquaponics Association?



# 2023 HAC Aquaculture Priorities & Bills

| Priority-1 HB 694,<br>SB 648             | Support an aquaculture disease diagnostic lab   |
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| Priority-2 HB 1268,<br>SB 518            | Develop a 5-year statewide aquaculture strategic plan                                     |
| Priority-3 SB 650                        | Conduct a feasibility study to identify potential sites for a commercial aquaculture park |
| Priority-4                               | Funding for aquaculture workforce development   |
| Priority-5                               | Programmatic EIS for State-owned fishponds  |
| Priority-6 SB519                         | Establish an aquaculture advisory committee   |
| Priority-7 HB 395,<br>SB703 HB999 SB1297 | Appropriates funds for the small business innovation research program under HTDC          |
| Priority-8                               | Support collaboration between DOA and industry  |
| Priority -9                              | Long term annual support and funding for NELHA  |

## Priority-1 Support aquaculture disease lab (HB 694, SB 648)

#### HB 694 Hearings

- House HET amended HD1, FIN passed as amended
- Senate AEN/HRE passed as amended, WAM amended SD1
- House, Senate Conferees appointed, bill dies in conference

#### SB 648 Hearings

Senate AEN/HRE - amended SD1, WAM - no hearing

# Priority-2 5-year aquaculture strategic plan (HB 1268, SB 518)

#### HB 1268 Hearings

- House HET amended HD1,
- House FIN no hearing

#### SB 518 Hearings

- Senate AEN/HRE amended SD1
- Senate WAM no hearing

# Priority-3 Feasibility study for commercial aquaculture park (SB 650)

#### SB 650 Hearing

- Senate AEN amended SD1
- Senate WAM no hearing

# Priority-6 Establish an aquaculture advisory committee (SB 519)

- ∘ SB 519 Hearing
- Senate AEN amended SD1
- Senate WAM no hearing

### Priority-7 Appropriates funds for the Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) program under HTDC (HB 395, SB 703, HB 999)

- <u>HB 395 Hearings</u>
- House ECD amended HD1, House FIN heard and deferred
- SB 703 Hearings
- Senate EET passed unamended, Senate WAM no hearing
- <u>HB 999 Hearings</u>
- House ECD amended HD1, House FIN passed unamended
- Senate EET Amended SD1, Senate WAM amended SD2
- Committee conferees amended CD1, Transferred to Governor

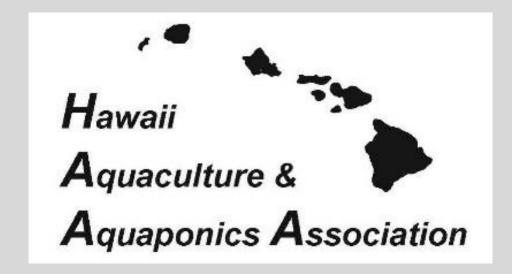
# Transfer of the aquaculture program from DOA to ADC (SB 818)

- ∘ <u>SB 818 hearings</u>
- Senate AEN/EET passed unamended
- Senate WAM amended SD1
- House AGR amended HD1
- HAC coordinates meeting between WAM Chair, staff, and industry
- House WAL amended HD2
- House FIN passed unamended
- Senate conferees selected, no House conferees selected, bill held

#### Discussion

- Impact of SB 818 Proposed transfer of aquaculture program from DOA to ADC fails but may have impacted outcome of overall session for aquaculture bills.
- What should industry support next session and when should we begin to engage policymakers?
- How can industry come together with a more unified and strengthened voice?
- Other questions/discussion

# Please consider joining and participating in the HAAA



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