



## 2023 Aquaculture Bills Legislative Wrap Up

- What aquaculture bills made it through the 2023 legislative session?
- What bills should industry urge the Governor to veto or sign into law?
- What bills, funding, and resolutions, if any, should industry support next session; and how and when should industry begin discussing potential 2024 legislation and engage with policymakers?

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The Hawai'i Aquaculture and Aquaponics Association (HAAA) has worked closely with the State Legislature and State and County governments to provide industry advocacy and support since 1975. The purpose of HAAA is to provide a unified industry voice for legislative issues, networking and fellowship with other aquaculture and aquaponics producers, researchers, and supporter, local and national recognition and support of aquaculture, aquaponics, and business related issues, and business advantages for commercial members. Mission: foster the development of commercial aquaculture and aquaponics production in Hawai'i.

## Presenter Info:

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