



Advocacy Efforts 2023

Today BIA is an active coalition of 320 member organizations and individuals dedicated to promoting policies that encourage quality housing and industry awareness throughout Hawaii.



499 BILLS REVIEWED

Our Government Relations Committee met weekly to review over **499** bills during the 2023 session. The committee submitted **65** written and verbal testimonies this year.



WOTUS NAHB'S LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

In a win for the industry, the BIDEN Waters of the U.S (WOTUS) rule was struck down in 26 states for being 'intelligible.' NAHB is calling on the administration to craft a new WOTUS rule that restores common sense to the federal wetlands permitting process. NAHB's Legislative Affairs Staff will keep us informed along the way.

15% SB764

Allows a bank to invest more -up to fifteen per cent- of the bank's capital and surplus in LIHTC limited partnerships (formed to invest in affordable housing residential properties without the prior approval of the Commissioner of Financial Institutions or an after-the-fact notice). Authorizes an eligible bank to make an investment of even more -between 15-20%- of the bank's capital and surplus without prior notification if the eligible bank submits an after-the-fact notice.

ONWARD... ADVOCACY GOALS IN 2023 & 2024

We'll be focused on trying to slow and minimize code impacts, improve permitting, and reduce barriers to housing affordability- and we'll need you to get involved! Support your colleagues who've spent countless hours on these initiatives and more by becoming a member of BIA Hawaii and joining the GRC or Codes Committee.

100s HOURS OF CODE REVIEWS



Our Codes Committee met throughout the winter and into 2023 legislative session to review and provide testimony, letters of request for consideration, and detailed comments on BILL 4 related to the State Energy Conservation Code, on the adoption of the 2018 International Building Code, and on the adoption of the 2021 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC).

1,000s DOLLARS SAVED



BIA rallied for support of a move from a 3yr code cycle to a 6yr code cycle (22-257). The resolution SCR91 was adopted and will convene a task force to analyze the current building code process. The good news? We'll have two seats on the task force. We hope to see a code cycle change and a fiscal analysis requirement of codes before implementation- potentially saving our members \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$!

391 READERS ACTIVATED



While we saw some success this year, it is ever more evident that we have power in numbers. After sending Action Alerts to our members three times this session, our members opened our emails 391 times and many of you took action.
~ MAHALO FOR YOUR SUPPORT ~

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