Hawai‘i is recognized as a global leader in addressing sustainability and climate change challenges, building on a history of systems-thinking and traditional knowledge. These 17 United Nations Sustainable Development Goals will reinforce the efforts of the Senate to build a more resilient future for Hawai‘i.

We are committed to addressing the needs of the people of Hawai‘i.

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HAWAI‘I STATE SENATE

Thirtieth Legislature

2019 Senate Legislative Program

We, the Hawai‘i State Senate, are devoted to the protection and sustainability of our people, communities, natural resources, and economic prosperity. The 17 United Nations Sustainable Development Goals are key factors in achieving these objectives and are at the heart of the United Nations’ 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, which is a plan of action for peace and prosperity for people and the planet.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

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The Hawaiʻi State Senate is committed to furthering seven of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals in the 2019 Legislative Session.

As we enter the first year of the Thirtieth Legislative Biennium, we have an opportunity to build upon the successes of the 2018 Regular Session, as well as pursue new ideas and initiatives. One such initiative is to focus on seven of the 17 United Nations Sustainable Development Goals to address areas of current need in our communities and continue momentum toward statewide adoption and implementation of all 17 Goals.

We will guarantee good health and well-being by ensuring and improving access to quality health care and mental health services, controlling the opioid epidemic, and improving traffic safety measures.

We will achieve quality education by guaranteeing that all children have access to equitable and quality pre-school, primary, secondary, and higher education, and providing the necessary facilities and equipment to create a comfortable and resourceful learning environment.

We will promote decent work, economic growth, and career pathways; support sustainable working environments for employers and employees; and explore various ways to generate revenue for the State.

We will ensure affordable and adequate housing, support efficient design and implementation of transit-oriented development, and modernize our airports to increase livability and resilience through implementation of smart, sustainable communities.

We will advocate for responsible consumption and production by promoting sound management of all wastes, reducing harmful substances in the environment, and facilitating conversion of cesspools statewide.

We will explore efficient and effective options that will provide access to adequate, safe, and affordable housing, support efficient design and implementation of transit-oriented development, and modernize our airports to increase livability and resilience through implementation of smart, sustainable communities.

We are dedicated to the promotion of peaceful and inclusive societies, providing access to justice for all, and encouraging good policy and governance by holding institutions at all levels accountable.

We encourage partnerships between government, the private sector, and civil society to enhance statewide economic prosperity and policy coherence for sustainable development.

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