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COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

Senator Colleen Hanabusa, Chair
Senator Clayton Hee, Vice Chair

MEASURES DEFERRED TO WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 2006

TIME: 2:45 p.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 212
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

DECISION MAKING ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE(S):

(Deferred from Tuesday, February 28, 2006)

SB 2551 SD1 (SSCR2399)	RELATING TO INTOXICATING LIQUOR. Authorizes the liquor commission to extend the time from 30 days to 45 days for giving a decision to grant or refuse an application. Allows commission to remove names from registered voter list for lack of residency. Deems an application denied if the commission does not make a decision granting or refusing an application. Exempts hearings from chapter 91. (SD1)	IGA, JHW
SB 2615 SD1 (SSCR2542)	RELATING TO CHILD PROTECTION. Affirms the importance of kinship placement and a child's attachment and bonding with a kin or non-kin foster caregiver. Requires the department of human services to make a good faith effort, which includes consulting with the Na Kupuna Tribunal, to identify family members for possible placement of a child. (SD1)	HMS, JHW
SB 2345	RELATING TO THE UNIFORM ENVIRONMENTAL COVENANTS ACT. Provides for "environmental covenants" for contaminated property to assure long-term compliance with requirements needed to protect the public and environment when complete removal of contaminants is not feasible, practical, or necessary.	EIA/JHW
SB 917 SD1 (SSCR378)	RELATING TO THE COMMISSION ON WATER RESOURCE MANAGEMENT. Amends the nominating committee for the water resource management commission by removing one committee member that is appointed by the governor and adding one committee member that shall be appointed by the office of Hawaiian affairs. (SD1)	WLA, JHW
SB 918 SD1 (SSCR336)	RELATING TO COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT. Requires the CZM public advisory body members to be appointed by the director of the lead agency in consultation with the chairperson of the board of trustees for OHA. (SD1)	WLA, JHW



SB 679	<p>PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII RELATING TO TESTIMONY OF DEFENDANTS IN CRIMINAL CASES.</p> <p>Proposes an amendment to the Constitution to permit testifying criminal defendants to be impeached with evidence of prior convictions for crimes involving dishonesty.</p>	JHW
SB 2243	<p>RELATING TO BIOLOGICAL EVIDENCE.</p> <p>Provides for the immediate DNA testing of all felons who are currently incarcerated. Allows for post conviction DNA testing for those who were not convicted but were acquitted of a crime on the ground of physical or mental disease, disorder, or defect.</p>	JHW
SB 940 SD1 (SSCR589)	<p>RELATING TO THE PATIENTS' BILL OF RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES ACT.</p> <p>Amends the review procedure process under the patients' bill of rights and responsibilities act. Preserves commissioner's discretion to convene panel to hear cases for consumers in non-ERISA plans. Requires the commissioner to determine whether requests for external review concerns an ERISA plan and to direct all requests for review of ERISA plan benefits to an independent review organization selected by the commissioner.</p>	CPH/HTH, JHW
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SB 2408	<p>RELATING TO LIABILITY OF FIREARM OWNERS.</p> <p>Excepts government entities from the definition of "owner" in statute that imposes strict liability on firearms owner for injury or damage proximately caused by the firearm.</p>	JHW

No testimony will be accepted.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL THE COMMITTEE CLERK AT 586-6916.

