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COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

Senator Donna Mercado Kim, Chair Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:

Tuesday March 21, 2006

TIME:

1:15 PM

PLACE:

Conference Room 229

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

AGENDA

HB 1026

RELATING TO TAXATION.

TSM, WAM

HD1 (HSCR819-06) Defines "fair market value" under the TAT to be an unspecified

amount of the gross daily maintenance fees, instead of half of the fees.

(HB1026 HD1)

HB 1922

RELATING TO THE GENERAL EXCISE TAX.

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HD1 (HSCR730-06)

Exempts from the general excise tax, amounts received by the operator

of the Hawaii Convention Center for reimbursement of costs or advances made under an operating contract with the Hawaii Tourism

Authority. (HB1922 HD1)

HB 1923

HD1

(HSCR690-06)

RELATING TO THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY.

Extends by three years the sunset date of the Hawaii Tourism

Authority's ability to retain attorneys independent of the Attorney General. Makes permanent the Hawaii Tourism Authority's exemption from supervision of accounts by the comptroller; the requirement that it preaudit all its proposed payments to determine the propriety of the payments, and to maintain records and documents necessary to support disbursements; the provision that allows interest and revenues derived by the Hawaii Tourism Authority to be deposited into the Convention Center Enterprise Special Fund and Tourism Special Fund; the increase in the amount of the Tourism Special Fund that can be used

by the Hawaii Tourism Authority for the executive director's salary; and its authority to appoint a sports coordinator. (HB1923 HD1)

HB 2669

HD1

(HSCR883-06)

RELATING TO THE CONVENTION CENTER ENTERPRISE

SPECIAL FUND.

Repeals the \$31,000,000 cap on deposits of TAT revenues into the Convention Center Enterprise Special Fund, and the provision that revenues in excess of \$31,000,000 be deposited into the general fund.

(HB2669 HD1)

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.



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