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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:

Thursday, February 8th, 2007

TIME:

2:00pm

PLACE:

Conference Room 325

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

AGENDA

HB 969

RELATING TO THE WEED AND SEED STRATEGY.

JUD, FIN

Appropriates funds as a grant-in-aid to expand the weed and seed program to operate in the communities of Kalihi, Waipahu, and Ewa beach on Oahu, to be expended by the attorney general through a contract with the YMCA of Honolulu.

HB 354

RELATING TO SENTENCING.

JUD

Repeals the law requiring habitual violent offenders to be sentenced to

prison for 30 years to life.

HB 376

RELATING TO SENTENCING.

JUD

Establishes mandatory minimum terms for certain offenses committed

against persons 60 years of age or older.

HB 1702

RELATING TO SENTENCING.

JUD, FIN

Establishes sentencing guidelines commission and sets forth standards to be applied in developing guidelines for approval by the legislature. Establishes "truth-in-sentencing" by requiring those persons convicted of a crime and sentenced to prison to serve 85% of the prison term imposed. "Truth-in-sentencing" provisions effective on 07/01/2009.

HB 1618

RELATING TO PROPERTY DAMAGE.

JUD, FIN

Establishes a pilot project in the city and county of Honolulu to develop and evaluate a program for the acquisition, placement, operation, and maintenance of video surveillance cameras for the purpose of deterring property damage offenses, especially graffiti, and prosecuting offenders. Appropriates funds.

HB 683	RELATING TO PROPERTY DAMAGE. Eliminates the requirement that a conviction have occurred within the 5 years preceding the current offense to be considered a prior offense for purpose of aggravated criminal property damage.	JUD
HB 451	RELATING TO GRAFFITI. Increases penalties for graffiti.	JUD
HB 1712	RELATING TO GRAFFITI. Establishes the graffiti eradication sentencing program within the judiciary, to allow a person who has committed an act of graffiti to discharge a community service sentence through graffiti eradication activities.	JUD, FIN
HB 303	RELATING TO THEFT. Provides that an individual caught with stolen mail belonging to three or more persons in the same or separate incident as part of a common scheme or plan commits second degree theft.	JUD
HB 323	RELATING TO AUTOMOBILE THEFT. Appropriates funds for a grant-in-aid to city and county of Honolulu to establish car baiting pilot program designed to reduce automobile theft on Oahu.	JUD, FIN
НВ 1758	RELATING TO THEFT IN THE SECOND DEGREE. Increases the minimum value of theft of property or services from \$300 to \$1,000 for the offense of theft in the second degree.	JUD

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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