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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, February 8, 2007
TIME: 1:15 pm
PLACE: Conference Room 229
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

SB795	RELATING TO BUILDING CODES Requires the department of accounting and general services to establish a state building code that includes hurricane resistive criteria that incorporates building code plans from each county.	IGM/TSG, WAM
SB679	RELATING TO EMERGENCIES Allows the Hawaii tourism authority to request the governor to declare that a tourism emergency exists. Authorizes tourism authority to implement emergency measures to respond to an emergency. Establishes the Hawaii tourism emergency trust fund.	TSG/IGM, WAM
SB889	RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION Authorizes department of accounting and general services to implement payroll deduction for state employees who wish to buy city and county of Honolulu bus passes. Requires coordination with the city and county of Honolulu.	TSG/IGM
SB1249	RELATING TO LIQUOR Establishes a condominium hotel class of liquor license.	TSG/IGM, CPH
SB1790	RELATING TO TRANSIENT ACCOMMODATIONS TAX Allows counties to levy a transient accommodations tax on hotels and time share vacation units.	TSG/IGM, EDT, WAM
SB883	RELATING TO THE TRANSIENT ACCOMMODATIONS TAX Requires that two per cent of each county's transient accommodations tax revenue collections be used for tourism promotions and visitor industry enhancements.	TSG/IGM, EDT, WAM



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| SB1628 | RELATING TO TRANSIENT ACCOMMODATIONS TAX
Imposes a transient accommodations tax surcharge on hotels converting to time shares or condominiums in an amount equal to fifty per cent of the average of the previous two years of transient accommodation tax revenues collected by the hotel. The surcharge tax shall be assessed and levied against the owner of the hotel prior to the conversion. | TSG, EDT, WAM |
| SB1993 | RELATING TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
Establishes the tourism training curriculum committee. Creates a new tax credit for a tourism training facility. Creates a new tax credit for digital media and performing arts. Repeals the Ko Olina tax credit. Appropriates funds. | TSG, EDT, WAM |

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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 for

Senator Lorraine R. Inouye
Chair



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