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Senator Norman Sakamoto, Chair  
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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, January 30, 2008  
TIME: 1:15 pm  
PLACE: Conference Room 225  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

<u>SB 2112</u> <u>Testimony</u>	MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO HIRE TEACHERS THROUGH THE TEACH FOR AMERICA PROGRAM. Makes an appropriation to hire 10 teachers from the Teach for America Program to teach in high needs schools in Hawaii.	EDU, WAM
<u>SB 2224</u> <u>Testimony</u>	RELATING TO TEACHERS. Appropriates funds to the department of education to provide additional resources to support teacher quality.	EDU, WAM
<u>SB 2244</u> <u>Testimony</u>	RELATING TO TEACHERS. Provides an annual apportionment of funds from the general excise tax to all public school teachers for reimbursement of classroom out-of-pocket expenses	EDU, WAM
<u>SB 2692</u> <u>Testimony</u>	MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE TEACHER RECRUITMENT PIPELINE. Appropriates funds for the Hawaii teacher cadet program to address the teacher shortage.	EDU, WAM
<u>SB 2691</u> <u>Testimony</u>	RELATING TO TEACHERS. Provides teachers receiving satisfactory service performance evaluations with annual step increases for five years. Prohibits department of education teachers with marginal service performance evaluations from receiving annual step increases. Excludes teachers at the top salary levels from receiving annual step increases.	EDU, WAM
<u>SB 2683</u> <u>Testimony</u>	RELATING TO TEACHERS. Appropriates funds to complex areas for academic coaches, professional development, and the retention of teachers.	EDU, WAM
<u>SB 2667</u> <u>Testimony</u>	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Appropriates funds to school complex areas for leadership training and induction mentoring.	EDU, WAM



<u>SB 2653</u> <u>Testimony</u>	RELATING TO TEACHERS. Appropriates funds for a Hawaii beginning teacher induction pilot program within the department of education.	EDU, WAM
<u>SB 2657</u> <u>Testimony</u>	RELATING TO TEACHERS. Establishes the teacher housing allowance program to provide housing assistance to teachers employed in schools in geographically isolated areas or hard-to-fill positions within the State. Appropriates funds for the program.	EDU, WAM
<u>SB 2693</u> <u>Testimony</u>	RELATING TO TEACHER HOUSING. Establishes an affordable housing program for public school teachers and a second mortgage revolving fund. Appropriates funds for: (1) the repair and maintenance of teacher housing; and (2) second mortgage loans for public school teachers. Provides for a report on the effectiveness of housing availability in increasing teacher recruitment.	EDU, WAM
<u>SB 2918</u> <u>Testimony</u>	RELATING TO TEACHERS. Establishes the classroom teacher program to guarantee home loans for qualified public school teachers.	EDU, WAM
<u>SB 2698</u> <u>Testimony</u>	RELATING TO TEACHERS. Authorizes the expansion of the Hawaii educator loans program to include applicants from state-approved teacher education programs outside of the University of Hawaii and the State. Appropriates funds for the loans.	EDU, WAM
<u>SB 3039</u> <u>Testimony</u>	RELATING TO THE HAWAII EDUCATOR LOAN PROGRAM. Allows recipients of awards from the Hawaii Educator Loan Program to attend any university or college with a State-approved teacher education program and allows them to teach at traditional public or charter schools as a way to repay the loan.	EDU
<u>SB 2672</u> <u>Testimony</u>	RELATING TO GRADUATE LOAN PROGRAMS. Establishes a graduate school loan program and corresponding special fund for qualified individuals in the areas of occupational therapy, physical therapy, speech language pathology, and school psychology. Provides for a loan forgiveness schedule for individuals who maintain approved employment. Appropriates funds for the program.	EDU, WAM
<u>SB 2655</u> <u>Testimony</u>	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Appropriates funds to establish professional development schools within Hawaii public schools to train preservice teachers.	EDU, WAM
<u>SB 2656</u> <u>Testimony</u>	RELATING TO TEACHERS. Appropriates funds for public school teachers to take PRAXIS preparatory courses, tutorials, or programs to become highly qualified under the No Child Left Behind Act.	EDU, WAM
<u>SB 2654</u> <u>Testimony</u>	RELATING TO TEACHERS. Establishes and appropriates funds for the teacher workforce strategic planning committee to address teacher workforce issues in the State.	EDU, WAM



<u>SB 3254</u> <u>Testimony</u>	RELATING TO SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS. Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to not-for-profit organizations that support charter schools.	EDU, WAM
<u>SB 2494</u> <u>Testimony</u>	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Establishes the Hawaii charter school facilities fund for funding the repair, maintenance, and other facilities needs of charter schools. Establishes a tax credit for certain individuals who make contributions to charter school repairs, maintenance, or development. Appropriates funds for the Hawaii charter school facilities fund.	EDU, WAM
<u>SB 2751</u> <u>Testimony</u>	RELATING TO CHARTER SCHOOLS. Prohibits the board of education member on the charter school review panel to sit on appeals from the panel's decisions. Authorizes the board of education to remove a panel member for cause. Require the charter school administrative office to be represented by an assigned deputy attorney general, separate from counsel for the board of education. Requires submission to and approval of the charter school budget by the panel. Authorizes the charter school administrative office to submit a capital improvement projects budget for charter school facilities to the department of budget and finance, subject to approval by the panel. Excludes fringe benefits, special education, and federal funding from the per pupil appropriation to charter schools. Specifies the executive director's duties with regard to the preparation of the budget. Clarifies that the panel is subject to the requirements of the sunshine law.	EDU, WAM
<u>SB 2296</u> <u>Testimony</u>	PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS. <i>Proposes a constitutional amendment to authorize the State to issue special purpose revenue bonds to assist nonprofit corporations supporting one or more charter schools, community development financial institutions benefiting one or more public charter schools, and charter schools.</i>	EDU, JDL, WAM
<u>SB 3038</u> <u>Testimony</u>	RELATING TO PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS. Improves the composition of the Charter School Review Panel; makes the Panel subject to the sunshine law; removes the cap on the number of charter schools; and ensures funding for new charter schools.	EDU, WAM

**Decision Making to follow, if time permits.**

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- In person: 1 copy of their testimony to the committee clerk, Room 230, State Capitol.
- By fax: Testimony may be faxed if less than 5 pages in length, to the Senate Sergeant-At-Arms Office at 586-6659 or 1-800-586-6659 (toll free for neighbor islands), at least 24 hours prior to the hearing. When faxing, please indicate to which committee the testimony is being submitted and the date and time of the hearing.
- By Email: Testimony may be emailed if less than 5 pages in length, to the Legislature's Public Access Room at [testimony@capitol.hawaii.gov](mailto:testimony@capitol.hawaii.gov). Please indicate to which committee the testimony is being submitted and the date and time of the hearing. Email sent to individual offices or any other Senate office will not be accepted.



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Senator Norman Sakamoto  
Chair

