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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, March 27, 2008  
TIME: 2:00 P.M.  
PLACE: Conference Room 308  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street

AGENDA # 1

SB 2915, SD2  
(SSCR2842)  
Status

RELATING TO TARO. FIN  
Creating the taro security and purity task force and appropriating funds for that purpose.

(Email Testimony)

SB 788, SD2  
(SSCR2780)  
Status

RELATING TO DISASTER RELIEF. FIN  
Extends lapsing date of certain appropriations relating to civil defense disaster relief from 6/30/2008 to 6/30/2009.

(Email Testimony)

SB 2828, SD2, HD1  
(HSCR1282-08)  
Status

RELATING TO DISASTER RELIEF. PSM, FIN  
Clarifies the use of the governor's emergency powers. Clarifies that the governor shall not utilize the power to suspend laws authorized under the Civil Defense and Emergency Act when the State is attacked for purposes of noncivil defense situations unless there is a tangible and measurable threat to the people or environment of the State. Establishes that certain provisions of the State's disaster relief chapter are operative and supersede provisions of the Civil Defense and Emergency Act in times when an emergency arises that is not considered a civil defense emergency. States that any emergency powers in force prior to the effective date of this measure expire at the end of the 2008 regular session unless reauthorized by the legislature.

(Email Testimony)



SB 2783, SD2, HD1  
(HSCR1310-08)  
Status

(Email Testimony)

RELATING TO LOSS MITIGATION.

Includes earthquake resistive devices in the loss mitigation grant program. Directs the insurance commissioner to develop criteria for earthquake resistive devices. Sets grant reimbursement amount for earthquake resistive devices at 50% and caps grant at \$5,000. Increases grant reimbursement amount for wind resistive devices to 50% and caps grant at \$5,000. Establishes and funds a public awareness campaign on hazard mitigation. Appropriates funds for a testing facility to test wind resistant devices and safe room designs. Authorizes Insurance Commissioner to determine standards for earthquake and wind resistive installation procedures and engineering content. Extends the loss mitigation grant program for 3 years. Appropriates funds for the loss mitigation grant fund. Requires the University of Hawaii to prepare a strategic planning report on the feasibility of establishing comprehensive natural disaster hazard mapping for the State of Hawaii. Requires the Insurance Commissioner to report on the feasibility of converting the Hawaii Hurricane Relief Fund program into a natural disaster relief program.

PSM, CPC, FIN

SB 2720, SD2  
(HSCR1140-08)  
Status

(Email Testimony)

RELATING TO THE STATE FIRE COUNCIL.

Establishes 2 full-time equivalent positions for the state fire council, an administrator and an administrative assistant, to be funded by the department of labor and industrial relations. Appropriates funds.

PSM, FIN

SB 1491, SD1, HD1  
(HSCR1339-08)  
Status

(Email Testimony)

RELATING TO CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES.

Authorizes the use of the controlled substance registration revolving fund to offset costs of investigating violations of the Uniform Controlled Substances Act including operations of the Narcotic Enforcement Division's forensic drug laboratory. Makes Hawaii's controlled substance laws consistent with that of federal law.

PSM, JUD, FIN

SB 2082, SD2, HD1  
(HSCR1217-08)  
Status

(Email Testimony)

RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY.

Appropriates funds to the department of public safety to develop a plan by January 1, 2009, to provide facilities and services to returning female Hawaii prisoners.

PSM, FIN

SB 2083, SD2  
(HSCR1141-08)  
Status

(Email Testimony)

RELATING TO THE SUPERVISION OF ADULT OFFENDERS.

Increases the membership of and appropriates funds for a full-time coordinator position for the state council for interstate adult offender supervision. Authorizes judiciary to assess a fee on parolees' and probationers' prison transfer applications for transfers out of the State. Establishes one full-time coordinator position under the judiciary.

PSM, FIN

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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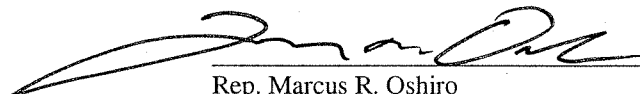
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