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### AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:

Wednesday February 06, 2008

TIME:

8 a.m.

PLACE:

Conference Room 329

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

# AMENDED AGENDA

## Deleted HB3242; Added HB 2795 for Decision Making Only

HB 3352

RELATING TO AN AUDIT OF THE HAWAII DISABILITY

HLT/HSH, LMG,

FIN

RIGHTS CENTER.

Requires the auditor to perform a financial and management audit of

the Hawaii Disability Rights Center.

HB 3150

RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMERGENCY PLANNING AND

COMMUNITY RIGHT-TO-KNOW ACT

Clarifies the different reporting requirements for hazardous substances

and extremely hazardous substances.

HB 2727

RELATING TO HEALTH INSURANCE.

HLT, CPC, FIN

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Requires all health insurers, mutual benefit societies, and health maintenance organizations to provide mandatory coverage for all policyholders, member, subscribers, and individuals under age 21 for the diagnosis and treatment of autism spectrum disorders beginning 1/1/2009.



HLT, HED, FIN HB 2915 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM PREPARING CANDIDATES FOR NURSES LICENSING EXAMINATIONS IN HAWAII. Appropriates \$100,000 to University of Hawaii to support a program of study to prepare candidates to pass the licensing examination for nurses in Hawaii. RELATING TO HEALTH INSURANCE. HLT, CPC HB 2077 Requires that mutual benefit societies annually spend on health community benefit programs no less than 50 percent of the savings that they receive annually from their general excise tax exemption as nonprofit organizations. HLT, CPC, FIN HB 3157 RELATING TO DIRECT PAYMENT TO PROVIDERS Allows medical services providers to receive payment directly from health insurers, health maintenance organizations, and mutual benefit societies, rather than attempting to collect from the patient when the provider does not have a contract with the insurer. RELATING TO INSURANCE. HLT, CPC, FIN HB 2796 Provides that health insurance companies with more than 50 per cent of the market share provide increased insurance reimbursements and those insurers with less than 50 per cent of the market share will be afforded an exemption from taxes on premiums provided they work toward decreasing the number of uninsured in Hawaii. MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE HLT, FIN HB 3152 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AND INJURY PREVENTION SYSTEM BRANCH Makes an emergency appropriation for FY 2008 to pay for the City and County of Honolulu's collective bargaining costs relating to emergency medical services. RELATING TO HEALTHCARE. HB 1598 HLT, CPC, FIN Establishes agency to operate a single-payer universal healthcare insurance system. RELATING TO HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION HLT, JUD, FIN HB 3158 **BACKGROUND CHECKS** Authorize the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation to conduct FBI criminal history record checks through the Hawaii Criminal Justice Data Center on employees, applicants, current or prospective contractors, providers, or volunteers. HLT, CPC RELATING TO PRE-PACKAGED MEAT. HB 3332 Amends the definition of "adulterated" to include pre-packaged meat that has been treated with gas or other technology to enhance color only. For Decision Making Only: HLT, PSM/JUD HB 2675 RELATING TO MEDICAL MARIJUANA. Authorizes the use of a written certification or its equivalent issued by another state government to permit the medical use of marijuana by a qualifying patient in place of a certificate provided by the Department of Public Safety.

HB 2678

RELATING TO MARIJUANA.

HLT, PSM/JUD,

FIN

Authorizes the establishment of a secure growing facility for the production of medical marijuana for not more than fourteen qualified

patients.

HB 2795

RELATING TO MEDICAID.

HLT/HSH, FIN

Establishes a timeline by which the department of health shall reconcile managed care supplemental payments; provides a clear definition of what conditions constitute a "change of scope" for purposes of increasing or decreasing rates paid to a federally qualified health center or rural health clinic; specifies a process through which these providers may file for a new rate due to "change of scope;" and identifies services that are required to be reimbursed under the prospective payment system.

#### **DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW**

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