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REGULAR SESSION OF 2008

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR

Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Chair
Senator Clayton Hee, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Monday, February 11, 2008
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 016
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

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| SB 2715 Testimony Status | RELATING TO COURT-APPOINTED COUNSEL AND GUARDIANS AD LITEM IN FAMILY COURT. Clarifies compensation rates for court-appointed attorneys and Guardians Ad Litem in family court. | JDL, WAM |
| SB 2474 Testimony Status | RELATING TO SMALL CLAIMS COURT. Changes the maximum amount in controversy in all cases for the recovery of money brought in small claims court from \$3,500 to \$5,000, as well as the maximum amount claimed owed in all cases for the return of leased or rented personal property brought in small claims court from \$3,500 to \$5,000 and the maximum worth of that leased or rented personal property from \$3,500 to \$5,000. | JDL |
| SB 2563 Testimony Status | RELATING TO THE JUDICIARY. Requires the judiciary to establish a program for counties whose land area is greater than 4,000 square miles that allows for remote processing of first time citations for traffic violations. Requires a report to legislature. Appropriates funds. | JDL, WAM |
| SB 2714 Testimony Status | RELATING TO THE INTERMEDIATE APPELLATE COURT. Authorizes the intermediate appellate court to subpoena and compel the attendance of witnesses and compel the production of books, papers, documents, or tangible things. Authorizes any intermediate court of appeals judge to administer oaths. | JDL |
| SB 2785 Testimony Status | RELATING TO DISTRICT COURT JURISDICTION. Increases the amount over which the District Court has jurisdiction in civil cases from \$20,000 to \$30,000. | JDL |
| SB 2971 Testimony Status | RELATING TO APPELLATE JURISDICTION. Authorizes immediate appeals from certain court orders regarding injunctions and denials of sovereign, absolute, or qualified immunity. | JDL |



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| <p>SB 3202 Testimony Status</p> | <p>PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION TO EXTEND THE MANDATORY RETIREMENT AGE FOR STATE JUSTICES AND JUDGES FROM SEVENTY TO EIGHTY YEARS OF AGE. Proposes a constitutional amendment to change the mandatory retirement age of justices and judges from 70 to 80 years of age.</p> | <p>JDL</p> |
| <p>SB 3204 Testimony Status</p> | <p>RELATING TO POST CONVICTION PROCEEDINGS. Establishes time limits for filing habeas corpus complaints and limits successive complaints.</p> | <p>JDL</p> |
| <p>SB 2258 Testimony Status</p> | <p>RELATING TO THE WIRELESS ENHANCED 911 BOARD. Deletes quorum by proxy and authorization for a board member to vote by proxy submitted in writing to the board.</p> | <p>JDL</p> |
| <p>SB 2439 Testimony Status</p> | <p>PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE V, SECTION 2 OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII RELATING TO THE ELECTION OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR. Proposes an amendment to article V, section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii to provide that candidates for the office of lieutenant governor be formally selected by official political parties.</p> | <p>JDL</p> |
| <p>SB 2562 Testimony Status</p> | <p>RELATING TO VOTING. Authorizes permanent absentee voting. Makes appropriations.</p> | <p>JDL, WAM</p> |

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

Persons wishing to testify should submit testimony in one of the following ways by 4:30 p.m. the day prior to the hearing:

- In person: 1 copy of their testimony to the committee clerk, Room 219, 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. 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.

Please note: If you submit your written testimony after 4:30 p.m. the day prior to the hearing, please sign-in at the staff table to testify orally. Written copies of your testimony will not be distributed during the hearing but will be posted online for the public after the hearing.

If you require special assistance or auxiliary aids or services to participate in the public hearing process (i.e., sign or foreign language interpreter or wheelchair accessibility), please contact the committee clerk 24 hours prior to the hearing so arrangements can be made.



Please note: Documents made available through the Testimony hyperlink(s) above may not be posted until the start of the hearing.

Public Folder. A folder labeled “Public Folder” containing the measures and testimonies for the hearing will be available for shared use by members of the public.

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Senator Brian T. Taniguchi
Chair

