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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, February 26, 2008
TIME: 2:45pm
PLACE: Conference Room 325
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

<u>HB 2350, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR377-08)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO LANDOWNER LIABILITY FOR NATURAL CONDITIONS. Codifies common law regarding non-liability of landowners regarding natural conditions on their land that cause damage outside the land. (HB2350 HD1)	WLH, JUD
<u>HB 2421, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR64-08)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION. Amends the definition of bicycle to include a bicycle powered by an electric motor. Provides that only bikes meeting certain specifications can be transported on public transportation systems. (HB2421 HD1)	TRN, JUD
<u>HB 3136</u> <u>(HSCR331-08)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO CHILD WELFARE SERVICES. Clarifies the law to ensure that local customs of caring for children outside the home by friends and relatives are an available alternative when considering the custody of children.	HSB, JUD
<u>HB 2953</u> <u>(HSCR305-08)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES. Provides certain vehicle identification exemptions required when shipping a motor vehicle between islands for interisland ferry service providers.	TRN, JUD
<u>HB 2204</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO THE LIABILITY OF A FIREARM OWNER. Removes government entities from definition of firearm owner for purpose of establishing liability.	JUD
<u>HB 2656</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS. Adds reciprocal beneficiaries to the definition of "immediate family" for laws related to campaign contributions.	JUD



HB 3107, HD1
(HSCR555-08)
Status

RELATING TO OWNER-BUILDER PERMITS.
Requires sellers to disclose whether a building or structure was built or improved under an owner-builder permit. Clarifies that owner builders must use licensed subcontractors. Establishes penalties for owner-builders who fail to comply with the owner-builder permit requirements. (HB3107 HD1)

HSH, CPC, JUD

HB 2596, HD1
(HSCR530-08)
Status

RELATING TO CHILDREN.
Requires the Department of Human Services to investigate reports of drug use in the home of a child within 24 hours. Requires a parent, legal custodian, cohabitant, or caregiver to be drug free for at least 60 days prior to being allowed visitation with a child, and to participate in substance abuse treatment for at least one year before being awarded full custody of a child or being allowed to solely supervise the child. (HB2596 HD1)

HSH, JUD

HB 3331, HD1
(HSCR647-08)
Status

RELATING TO CONDOMINIUMS.
Specifies matters that are subject to mediation. Permits unsatisfied parties to mediation to pursue arbitration after 30 days. (HB3331 HD1)

CPC, JUD

HB 3002
Status

RELATING TO PROSTITUTION.
Makes a third and subsequent conviction for prostitution a class C felony when the offense is committed by a person who pays, or offers or agrees to pay, a fee for sex with another person.

JUD

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

The following bills were heard on Thursday, February 21st, 2008, and are scheduled for decision making only. No public testimony will be accepted.

HB 2391
Status

RELATING TO LEGAL SERVICE.
Permits a deputy attorney general, except for the attorney general's first deputy, to provide pro bono legal service if the pro bono legal service does not conflict with the duties of the deputy's office.

JUD

HB 2476
Status

RELATING TO CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.
Repeals existing prohibition against dog fighting and enacts more comprehensive prohibition of dog fighting and related conduct. Provides enhanced penalties.

JUD

The following bills were heard on Tuesday, February 12th, 2008, and are scheduled for decision making only. No public testimony will be accepted.

HB 3041
Status

RELATING TO CRIME.
Strengthens laws relating to obstruction of justice; revises Hawaii's murder statute to better protect the public; and makes other criminal law changes.

JUD

HB 3040
Status

RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY.
Revamps Hawaii's sex offender registry laws so as to provide more up-to-date and more useful information about registered sex offenders to the public; strengthens some criminal laws, including relating to electronic enticement of a child; and makes other criminal law changes.

JUD



The following bill was heard on Tuesday, February 5, 2008 and the previous decision is being reconsidered by the committee. No public testimony will be accepted.

HB 2557
Status

RELATING TO EVIDENCE.
Protects the disclosure of sources for journalists and newscasters.
Establishes an exception.

JUD

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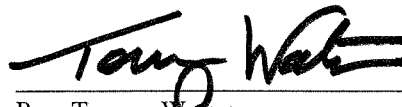
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