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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Friday, February 1, 2008
TIME: 10:30 a.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 309
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

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| <u>HB 2896</u> | MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE STATEWIDE LANGUAGE ACCESS BANK.
Establishes a statewide language access bank in the department of labor and industrial relations to centralize interpretation and translation services for state agencies and covered entities. Makes an appropriation. | LAB, HSH, FIN |
| <u>HB 2446</u> | MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A STATEWIDE LANGUAGE ACCESS BANK.
Appropriates funds to establish a statewide language access bank to help state agencies and other covered entities provide meaningful access to essential government services to limited English proficient persons. | LAB, HSH, FIN |
| <u>HB 2575</u> | RELATING TO LANGUAGE ACCESS.
Clarifies definitions related to language access. Requires certain entities to file a language access plan and appoint a language access coordinator. Expands the language access advisory council from 11 to 15 members. | LAB, HSH, FIN |
| <u>HB 2389</u> | RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION.
Prohibits claimant attorneys from entering into agreements with claimants to obtain fees that are higher than those approved by the director of labor and industrial relations. | LAB, JUD, FIN |



HB 3290

RELATING TO ASSISTING PERSONS UNDER A COMPACT OF LAB, INT, FIN
FREE ASSOCIATION.

Creates one state coordinator position within the department of labor and industrial relations to assist individuals present in Hawaii under the various Compacts of Free Association; makes appropriation.

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

Persons wishing to offer comments should submit testimony at least 24 hours prior to the hearing with a transmittal cover indicating:

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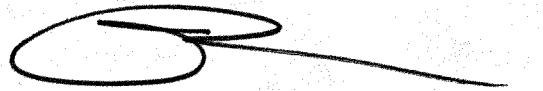
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