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## NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:

Tuesday, February 5, 2008

TIME:

9:00 a.m.

PLACE:

Conference Room 309

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

## AGENDA

HB 2964

#### RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT SECURITY.

LAB, FIN

Appropriates funds for fiscal year 2007-08 in Reed Act funds for services of the unemployment insurance and workforce development divisions.

#### DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

The following measures where heard on Tuesday, January 29, 2008 @ 8:30 a.m. As this is a decision making meeting only for the following bills no public testimony will be accepted.

HB 2544

## RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION.

LAB, CPC, FIN

Provides parameters for conducting medical examinations when determining permanent partial disability in workers compensation

cases.

HB 2929

RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION.

LAB, CPC, FIN

Requires independent medical examinations to be performed by mutually agreed upon physicians, and by employer's physician.

HB 2545

#### RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION.

LAB, CPC, FIN

Provides that an independent physician be selected to conduct medical examinations in cases where major and elective surgery, or either, is

contemplated or in cases where an employee or employer are

dissatisfied with the medical progress.

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#### HB 2752

## RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION.

LAB, CPC, FIN

Requires that the physician performing an independent medical examination be licensed in the State for 5 years, be subject to peer review, and be known in the local medical community to have been in the practice of treating injured employees and conducting independent medical examinations for the employers. Repeals authority of employer to appoint a physician to examine the employee where the employer is dissatisfied with the progress of the case or where surgery is contemplated. Prohibits more than one independent medical examination per case.

## HB 3141

## RELATING TO GOVERNMENT SERVICES.

LAB, EDB, FIN

Provides flexibility and reliability to the hiring and contracting processes by exempting from civil service law positions or contracts lasting up to one year with non-government entities for personal services.

## HB 3145

## RELATING TO STATE AND COUNTY CONTRACTS FOR

· LAB, EDB, FIN

SERVICES.

Authorizes the procurement of contracts for services by the State and counties and exempts the contracts from chapter 76, Hawaii Revised

Statutes.

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