## THE SENATE THE TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE **REGULAR SESSION OF 2008**

#### COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair Senator Shan S. Tsutsui, Vice Chair

### **NOTICE OF DECISION MAKING**

DATE: Tuesday, April 1, 2008

TIME: 10:15 a.m. (or immediately following

completion of the 10:00 a.m. agenda)

Conference Room 211 PLACE:

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

#### <u>AGENDA</u>

The following bills were previously heard in their respective subject matter committees. For this decision-making, only written comments will be accepted; no oral testimony will be accepted.

HB 1365, SD1

**Status** 

RELATING TO THE STATE OF HAWAII DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLANS.

JDL, WAM

ENE, EDT, WAM

HSP, WAM

HTH, EDT, WAM

(SSCR3004) **Testimony** 

Clarifies that the Board of Trustees of both the State of Hawaii Deferred Compensation Plan and the State Deferred Compensation Retirement Plan for Part-time, Temporary, and Seasonal or Casual Employees may select and offer participants investment products that are commonly offered in the securities industry or other deferred

compensation plans and are determined to the reasonable, prudent

investment products. Eff. 7/1/2050 (SD1)

HB 2005, HD1, SD2 (SSCR3154)

RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES. Amends the renewable energy technologies tax credit to authorize refundable and non-refundable credits for solar energy systems; clarifies remaining renewable energy technologies tax credits. (SD2)

**Testimony** 

**Status** 

HB 2047, HD2, SD1

RELATING TO INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNTS. Clarifies guidelines for individual development accounts (IDAs). (SSCR3080) Designates the department of human services or a contracted agency to

administer IDAs. (SD1) **Testimony** 

**Status** 

HB 2137, HD2, SD2 (SSCR3149)

Testimony

**Status** 

RELATING TO HEALTH.

Provides a one-time tax credit for expenses related to an organ transplant and donation and also for expenses incurred by independent physicians pursuant to a health insurer's grant program established or

sponsored by a medical association or health insurer to establish and implement electronic medical records systems for the independent

physicians. (SD2)

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RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION. HB 2386, SD1 JDL, WAM Requires an employer to pay temporary total disability benefits (SSCR3090) regardless of whether the employer controverts the right to benefits. Specifies that the employee's ability to return to work is to be decided **Testimony** by the employee's treating physician. Eff. 7/1/2050. (SD1) **Status** HB 2505, HD2, SD1 RELATING TO ENERGY. ENE, WAM Establishes a renewable energy facilitator position with DBEDT. (SSCR3109) (SD1) **Testimony Status** HB 2507, HD1, SD1 RELATING TO GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS REDUCTION. ENE, WAM Appropriates funds to establish two positions to support the (SSCR3125) implementation of Act 234, Session Laws of Hawaii 2007. (SD1) **Testimony** Status HB 2511, HD1, SD1 RELATING TO RENTAL ASSISTANCE. HSP, WAM Provides qualified rental assistance applicants up to six months to find (SSCR3078) a qualified rental dwelling. (SD1) **Testimony Status** HB 2540, HD1 RELATING TO TAXATION. HTH, WAM Provides an income tax and general excise tax exemption for (SSCR2936) companies that provide potable water and are exempt under section 501(c)(12) of the IRC. Effective January 1, 2020. (HB2540 HD1) **Testimony Status** HB 2547, SD1 RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE EDU, WAM REVENUE BONDS FOR MAUI PREPARATORY ACADEMY. (SSCR2996) Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds for Maui Preparatory Academy. (SD1) **Testimony** Status RELATING TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING. HB 2772, HD3, SD1 JDL, WAM Extends the sunset date for the Hawaii Anti-trafficking Task Force to (SSCR3089) 2010. Adds members to the Task Force. Appropriates funds. (SD1) **Testimony Status** HB 2811, SD1 RELATING TO ENERGY. ENE, WAM Clarifies the reporting and publishing requirements of the public (SSCR3139) utilities commission to more accurately reflect the information reported **Testimony** by oil producers, refiners, marketers, oil transporters, oil storers, and oil retailers. (SD1) Status HB 2922, HD1, SD1 RELATING TO FUEL TAX. ENE, WAM Amends the license tax rules to except entities that use diesel oil for (SSCR2945) power-generating facilities from the additional 1 cent increase in diesel oil license taxes. (SD1) **Testimony** Status



HB 3348, HD2, SD1 RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION. EDT, WAM

(SSCR2967) Appropriates funds for the purpose of funding the Hawaii Preservation Fund endowment; prohibits release of funds until the appropriated

<u>Testimony</u> funds are matched by private contributions. (SD1)

Status

HB 3422, HD2 RELATING TO SURCHARGE FOR INDIGENT LEGAL JDL, WAM

(SSCR3091) SERVICES.

Increases indigent legal services funding by increasing the surcharge

<u>Testimony</u> on initial filing fees for civil actions. (HB3422 HD2)

**Status** 

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Persons wishing to testify should submit testimony in one of the following ways at least 24 hours prior to the hearing:

- In person: 1 copy of their testimony to the committee clerk, Room 210, 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 <a href="testimony@capitol.hawaii.gov">testimony@capitol.hawaii.gov</a>. 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.

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Senator Rosalyn H. Baker Chair

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