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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, February 11, 2009
TIME: 2:00 p.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 325
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

<u>HB 690, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR58)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO INSURANCE. Requires insurers that offer health care coverage to the regular employees of any group or association to offer the same coverage to part-time employees working at least 15 hours per week. Requires the Insurance Commissioner to report to submit a cost-benefit report to the Legislature. (HB690 HD1)	HLT, CPC, FIN
<u>HB 1439</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO INSURANCE. Makes various clarifying and technical amendments, and corrects inadvertent errors, in the Life Settlements Model Act, chapter 431E, HRS, which establishes consumer protections in life settlement transactions.	CPC, FIN
<u>HB 1060</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO PUBLICATION OF HEARING NOTICES. Saves money by allowing the Public Utility Commission to provide hearing notices to only the island(s) affected by a public utility proposal for change in utility rates and ratemaking procedures. Hearing notices will continue to be sent to those directly impacted by any proposed changes.	CPC, FIN
<u>HB 1062</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO GAS PIPELINE SYSTEMS. Repeals the Public Utilities Commission's responsibility for pipeline safety and inspection functions in Hawaii because this has been the responsibility of the Federal Office of Pipeline Safety since 1993.	CPC, FIN
<u>HB 371, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR66)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO TAXATION. Repeals the sunset provision relating to the one cent tax on naphtha fuel used in a power-generating facility. (HB371 HD1)	EEP, CPC, FIN



<u>HB 1464, HD1</u> (HSCR71) <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO ENERGY RESOURCES. Clarifies solar water heater variance request procedures and authority and provides guidance with respect to solar water heater system standards. (HB1464 HD1)	EEP/HSG, CPC, FIN
<u>HB 814, HD1</u> (HSCR59) <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO NURSE AIDES. Specifies the renewal period for the recertification of certified nurse aides and the number of continuing education hours for their recertification. (HB814 HD1)	HLT, CPC, FIN
<u>HB 1359</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO CONSUMER PROTECTION. Prohibits the Office of Consumer Protection from making consumer complaints publicly available in cases where the complaint was resolved in favor of the business against which the complaint was filed.	CPC, JUD
<u>HB 1068</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO BUSINESS REGISTRATION. Proposes housekeeping amendments to clarify and streamline business registration laws.	CPC, JUD

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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