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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, February 18, 2009
TIME: 2:00 p.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 325
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

HB 304 Status	RELATING TO FORECLOSURES. Provides a vehicle to allow more time to a defaulting mortgagor facing foreclosure.	CPC, JUD
HB 1071, HD1 (HSCR229) Status	RELATING TO MORTGAGE SERVICERS. Provides for the licensing and regulation of mortgage servicers that service residential mortgage loans secured by real property located in the State of Hawaii. (HB1071 HD1)	HSG, CPC, FIN
HB 1390 (HSCR204) Status	RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION. Increases the fee schedule of compensation for medical care in workers' compensation cases from 110% to 150% of the Medicare Resource Based Relative Value Scale system applicable to Hawaii as prepared by the United States Department of Health and Human Services.	LAB, CPC, FIN
HB 984, HD1 (HSCR234) Status	RELATING TO TECHNOLOGY. Implements key recommendations of the Hawaii Broadband Task Force by establishing the Hawaii Communications Commission (HCC) and the Hawaii Communications Commissioner in the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (DCCA). Transfers functions relating to telecommunications from the Public Utilities Commission to HCC and to cable services from DCCA to HCC. Establishes a work group to develop procedures to streamline state and county broadband regulation, franchising, and permitting and report to the Legislature. (HB984 HD1)	EBM, CPC, FIN

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<u>HB 1014, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR224)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO ENHANCED 911 SERVICES. Lowers costs for cell phone subscribers by reducing the Wireless Enhanced 911 surcharge from 66 to 29 cents. Places limits on expenditures from Wireless Enhanced 911 Fund. Adds conflict of interest provisions. (HB1014 HD1)	PBS, CPC, FIN
<u>HB 700, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR180)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO NONGOVERNMENT HEALTH PLAN PAYMENTS TO CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITALS AND FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTERS. Requires mutual and fraternal benefit societies, health maintenance organizations, and health plans other than government payers to pay: (1) critical access hospitals no less than 101% of costs for services; and (2) federally qualified health centers no less than their respective prospective payment system rates. (HB700 HD1)	HLT/HUS, CPC, FIN
<u>HB 655, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR184)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO REMOTE DISPENSING PHARMACIES. Allows remote dispensing pharmacies to operate on islands without a pharmacy, provide medications to patients with health insurance, and dispense controlled substances under certain conditions. (HB655 HD1)	HLT, CPC, FIN
<u>HB 811, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR185)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO REGISTERED NURSES. Removes, for a foreign nursing school graduate applying for licensure by examination for registered nurses in Hawaii, the requirement to obtain certification from the Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools. Requires the Board of Nursing to adopt rules requiring submission of the Breakdown of Educational Program for International Nursing Programs form and a certified school transcript. (HB811 HD1)	HLT, CPC, FIN
<u>HB 1378, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR217)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES. Requires insurers, mutual and fraternal benefit societies, and health maintenance organizations to recognize advanced practice registered nurses as primary care providers. Grants increased signature authority and prescriptive rights. Amends definition of advanced practice registered nurse. (HB1378 HD1)	HLT, CPC, FIN
<u>HB 1362, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR186)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO GENETIC COUNSELORS. Establishes the Genetic Counseling Licensure Program within Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs. Requires licensure in order to use the title of "licensed genetic counselor". Provides exemptions from licensure requirements. (HB1362 HD1)	HLT, CPC, FIN
<u>HB 429, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR67)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO ENERGY EFFICIENCY. Directs the public utilities commission to establish energy efficiency portfolio standards. (HB429 HD1)	EEP, CPC, FIN
<u>HB 1843, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR70)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY. Establishes comprehensive measures for increasing the production and use of renewable energy in the State. (HB1843 HD1)	EEP, CPC, FIN

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

DECISION MAKING ONLY ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURES:

Previously heard on **Wednesday, February 04, 2009.**

No public testimony will be accepted.

[HB 164](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO PREPAID CALLING CARDS.
Requires companies selling prepaid calling cards to disclose the terms and services of the cards. Makes a violation of disclosure requirement an unfair or deceptive act or practice.

CPC, JUD

[HB 874](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY.
Prohibits transfer fees required by a deed restriction or covenant.
Effective 11/1/09.

CPC, JUD

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