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## NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:

Friday, February 27 2009

TIME:

3:00 p.m.

PLACE:

Conference Room 308

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

## AGENDA#6

HB 381, HD1 (HSCR336)

Status

RELATING TO THE STATE OF HAWAII ENDOWMENT FUND. Amends the \$4,000,000 appropriation to the State of Hawaii Endowment Fund authorized under Act 97 SLH 2006, as amended by

Act 156, SLH 2007) to stipulate that all portions of pledges not matched by actual payment of the pledge by February 28, 2013, revert to the general fund.

HB 754, HD1 (HSCR339) Status

RELATING TO THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY Removes from the Hawaii Tourism Authority (HTA) Board the

Director of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism, Director of Transportation, Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources, and Executive Director of the State Foundation on Culture

and the Arts, and places them in an advisory group to HTA.

HB 601, HD1 (HSCR342) Status

RELATING TO THE WORKS OF ART SPECIAL FUND.

Increases the amount of state fund appropriations for capital improvement construction costs earmarked for the Works of Art Special Fund (Special Fund) from one to two percent. Allows 50 percent of the Special Fund to be used for capital improvement projects, the purchase of facilities, and repair and maintenance of

facilities dedicated to culture and the arts.

HB 960, HD1 (HSCR257) <u>Status</u>

RELATING TO THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY

Broadens the scope of a "tourism emergency" to include a regional or

worldwide economic crisis.

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RELATING TO TOURISM. TCI, FIN HB 1204, HD1 (HSCR340) Requires, for fiscal years 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 only, an additional distribution of not more than \$10,000,000 in Transient Status Accommodations Tax revenues to the Tourism Special Fund. HB 1763, HD1 RELATING TO THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY TCI. FIN Repeals the Hawaii Tourism Authority Establishes the Department of (HSCR540) Tourism. Transfers the Convention Center Enterprise Special Fund, Status Tourism Special Fund, and Tourism Emergency Trust Fund to the Department of Tourism. Renames the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to the Department of Business and Economic Development. RELATING TO STATE IDENTIFICATION. JUD, FIN HB 623, HD1 (HSCR372) Allows the attorney general to contract with counties to process and issue state identification cards. Status RELATING TO THE UNIFORM FOREIGN-COUNTRY MONEY HB 779 JUD, FIN (HSCR202) JUDGMENTS RECOGNITION ACT. Enacts Uniform Foreign Country Money Judgments Recognition Act Status and in so doing, replaces and updates similar law codified as chapter 658C, HRS. Updates former law by, among other things, allocating burden of proof with respect to application of law, setting out procedure for obtaining recognition of foreign country money judgments, expanding grounds for denying recognition and allocating burden of proof to do so. Establishes statute of limitations. RELATING TO THE UNIFORM MEDIATION ACT. JUD, FIN HB 782, HD1 Adopts the Uniform Mediation Act. Provides certain rules for (HSCR261) mediations. Establishes a privilege that assures confidentiality of Status mediations in legal proceedings. Protects integrity and knowing consent through provisions that provide exceptions to the privilege, limit disclosures by the mediator to judges and others who may rule on the case, requires mediators to disclose conflicts of interest, and assures that parties may bring a lawyer or other support person to the mediation session. MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CLAIMS AGAINST THE HB 1016, HD1 JUD, FIN STATE, ITS OFFICERS, OR ITS EMPLOYEES. (HSCR130)

## **DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW**

Makes appropriations for claims against the State, its officers, and its

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