

THE SENATE  
THE TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE  
REGULAR SESSION OF 2009

COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES  
Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair  
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, March 19, 2009  
TIME: 2:15pm  
PLACE: Conference Room 016  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

<a href="#"><u>HB 1101, HD1</u></a> <a href="#"><u>(HSCR697)</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Testimony</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>	RELATING TO INVESTIGATORS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES. Authorizes the Director of Human Services to appoint and commission investigators to investigate incidents at the Hawaii youth correctional facilities, and gives these investigators access to necessary information maintained by state and county entities. Takes effect January 1, 2050. (HB1101 HD1)	HMS, JGO
<a href="#"><u>HB 1097, HD1</u></a> <a href="#"><u>(HSCR928)</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Testimony</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>	RELATING TO ASSISTANCE FOR AGED, BLIND, AND PERMANENTLY AND TOTALLY DISABLED PERSONS. Indicates that assistance for eligible aged, blind, and permanently and totally disabled persons is available up to the amount of any legislative appropriation not to exceed the current statutory sixty-two and one-half per cent of the standard of need. (HB1097 HD1)	HMS, WAM
<a href="#"><u>HB 1098, HD2</u></a> <a href="#"><u>(HSCR959)</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Testimony</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>	RELATING TO GENERAL ASSISTANCE. Places a twenty-four-month limit on general assistance to households without minor dependents with appropriate exceptions. Requires DHS to refer general assistance recipients to the aged, blind, and permanently and totally disabled program under specified conditions. Converts general assistance into an entitlement program. Takes effect July 1, 2020. (HB1098 HD2)	HMS, WAM
<a href="#"><u>HB 333, HD2</u></a> <a href="#"><u>(HSCR782)</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Testimony</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>	RELATING TO TAXATION. Creates a state earned income tax credit funded initially with TANF funds. Restricts the interest charged by tax preparers to clients who claim the earned income tax credit. (HB333 HD2)	HMS, WAM
<a href="#"><u>HB 1354, HD2</u></a> <a href="#"><u>(HSCR788)</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Testimony</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>	RELATING TO CHILDREN. Appropriates Temporary Assistance for Needy Families funds and general revenue funds for the Healthy Start and Enhanced Healthy Start Programs, to maintain current services, to hire additional staff and for provider training. (HB1354 HD2)	HMS, WAM

[HB 1187, HD1](#)

[\(HSCR900\)](#)

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RELATING TO THE HOMELESS.

Assists the homeless in reuniting with their families. (HB1187 HD1)

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**Decision Making to follow, if time permits.**

**FOR AMENDED HEARING NOTICES:** If the notice is an amended notice, measures that have been deleted are stricken through and measures that have been added are underscored. If there is a measure that is both underscored and stricken through, that measure has been deleted from the agenda.

**Persons wishing to testify should submit testimony in one of the following ways by 4:00 p.m. the day prior to the hearing:**

- By Email: Testimony may be emailed if less than 5 pages in length, to the Committee at [HMSTestimony@Capitol.hawaii.gov](mailto:HMSTestimony@Capitol.hawaii.gov) . Please indicate the measure, date and time of the hearing. Email sent to individual offices or any other Senate office will not be accepted.
- By Web: Testimony may be submitted online if less than 4MB in size, at <http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/emailtestimony>.
- In person: 1 copy of their testimony to the committee clerk, Room 226, 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.

**Please note: If you submit your written testimony after 4:00 p.m. the day prior to the hearing, please sign-in at the staff table to testify orally. A copy of your testimony may not be available during the hearing but will be posted online for the public after the hearing.**

If you require special assistance or auxiliary aids or services to participate in the public hearing process (i.e., sign or foreign language interpreter or wheelchair accessibility), please contact the committee clerk 24 hours prior to the hearing so arrangements can be made.

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