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COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Chair
Senator Dwight Y. Takamine, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, February 12, 2009
TIME: 9:30 a.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 016
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

<u>SB 93</u>	RELATING TO CAMPAIGN FINANCING.	JGO
<u>Testimony</u>	Establishes a grace period during which a candidate or candidate's committee may return or refund contributions that exceed the 20% cap on nonresident contributions. Requires noncandidate committees to file an additional preliminary report on 7/31 prior to each primary election.	
<u>Status</u>		
<u>SB 525</u>	RELATING TO TOBACCO.	JGO
<u>Testimony</u>	Authorizes suspension and revocation of retail tobacco permit for repeat violations of prohibition against sale of tobacco to minors. Permanently enacts retail tobacco permit requirement.	
<u>Status</u>		
<u>SB 1103</u>	RELATING TO EFFECTIVE LEGISLATION.	JGO, WAM
<u>Testimony</u>	Establishes a commission on effective legislation, to be administratively placed under the ombudsman. Requires the commission to be composed of representatives from the executive departments, University of Hawaii, judiciary, and other appropriate state entities to identify existing laws that are obsolete, redundant, conflicting, or ineffective. Requires ombudsman to report to legislature.	
<u>Status</u>		
<u>SB 1105</u>	RELATING TO LEGISLATIVE HEARINGS AND PROCEDURES.	JGO, WAM
<u>Testimony</u>	Requires any report of a study or an audit made by an executive department or agency, and by the legislative reference bureau or auditor, to be submitted to the clerk of each house, senate president, speaker of the house, and chairs of the appropriate subject matter committee of each house. Requires a public hearing or informational briefing, except if waived by the president of the senate. Excludes certain annual or routine reports.	
<u>Status</u>		

SB 1670

Testimony

Status

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE V, SECTION 6, OF THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION, TO CLARIFY THE GUBERNATORIAL APPOINTMENT PROCESS.

Amends article V, section 6, of the state constitution to clarify the appointment process for department heads and members of boards and commissions by requiring the governor to nominate successors within the time limits required by law.

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 JGOTestimony@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 219, 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 4:30 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.

Please note: All testimony received by the Hawaii Senate will be posted on the Hawaii Legislature's Website. Documents made available through the Testimony hyperlink(s) above may not be posted until the start of the hearing.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL THE COMMITTEE CLERK AT 586-6460.

Senator Brian T. Taniguchi
Chair

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