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AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Friday, February 20, 2009
TIME: 3:00 p.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 325
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

NOTE: HB 1514 and HB 1784 deleted from the previously filed 2-20-09 agenda

<u>HB 130</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO JUDGMENTS. Amends the uniform foreign money-judgments recognition act with regard to defamation judgments acquired in foreign courts. Enforceability depends on the free speech and free press protections afforded by the defamation law applied by the foreign court.	JUD
<u>HB 1199</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO STATUTORY REVISION: AMENDING OR REPEALING VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE HAWAII REVISED STATUTES AND THE SESSION LAWS OF HAWAII FOR THE PURPOSE OF CORRECTING ERRORS AND REFERENCES, CLARIFYING LANGUAGE, AND DELETING OBSOLETE OR UNNECESSARY PROVISIONS. Amends or repeals various provisions of the Hawaii Revised Statutes and the Session Laws of Hawaii for the purpose of correcting errors and references, clarifying language, and deleting obsolete or unnecessary provisions.	JUD
<u>HB 1148</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO PUBLIC AGENCY MEETINGS. Authorizes the electronic filing of meeting notices under part I of chapter 92, Hawaii Revised Statutes, on the state calendar.	JUD
<u>HB 1514</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO MEDICAL TORTS. Places a ceiling on non-economic damages in medical torts involving neurologists and neurosurgeons.	HLT, JUD



<u>HB 1784</u> Status	RELATING TO MEDICAL TORTS. Limits the amount awarded for non-economic damages in medical tort cases to \$750,000 aggregate and \$250,000 per physician, healthcare provider, healthcare facility, and any other involved parties. Sets the award limit for non-economic damages in cases of gross negligence at \$3,000,000.	HLT, JUD
<u>HB 1512</u> Status	RELATING TO TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDERS. Authorizes family court, when issuing a temporary restraining order, to award exclusive care of a pet animal and enjoin the restrained party from having any contact with the pet animal.	JUD
<u>HB 1513</u> Status	RELATING TO OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC ORDER. Prohibits possession of gaff designed to be attached to gamecock or other fighting fowl.	JUD
<u>HB 147</u> Status	RELATING TO THEFT IN THE SECOND DEGREE. Increases the minimum value of stolen property or services constituting theft in the second degree from \$300 to \$1000.	JUD

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

DECISION MAKING ONLY ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURES:

Previously heard on **Tuesday, February 10, 2009.**

No public testimony will be accepted.

<u>HB 1751</u> Status	RELATING TO COMMUNICATIONS FRAUD. Establishes the offense of communication service fraud in the first and second degrees. Provides civil remedies. Authorizes forfeiture. Establishes evidentiary presumption. Adds definitions.	JUD
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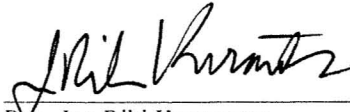
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