THE SENATE THE TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2009

COMMITTEE ON LABOR

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

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, February 17, 2009

TIME: 2:45 p.m.

PLACE: Conference Room 224

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

AGENDA

SB 1568, SD1 RELATING TO UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE. LBR

(SSCR30) Extends unemployment benefits to individuals seeking part-time work and to workers separated from employment for a compelling family

Testimony reason. (SD1)

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SB 1271 RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. LBR, WAM

Testimony
Requires state executive department and state legislative branch employees who are exempt from chapter 76, HRS (civil service law) to use or donate accumulated and accrued vacation allowance prior to

discharge, or to forfeit remaining vacation allowance and any compensation in lieu of retaining vacation allowance upon discharge.

Sunsets December 31, 2010.

SB 713 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE EMERGENCY LBR, WAM

Testimony ENVIRONMENTAL WORKFORCE.

Appropriates funds to continue the emergency environmental workforce program in light of recent national and local economic

downturns and wars, and provides for the continuation of the emergency environmental workforce during future periods of warfare

or significant economic hardship.

SB 1621 RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING. LBR, JGO

Allows union certification of certain employees or employee groups by signed authorization from the employee; requires collective bargaining

to begin upon union certification; sets certain deadlines for initial collective bargaining agreement procedures and conciliation of disputes; sets civil penalty for unfair labor practices; extends certain authorities to labor organizations representing employees for collective bargaining; allows labor disputes to be defenses against prosecution for

certain violations of law.

SB 1622 RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT SECURITY. LBR, JGO

Testimony Requires certain employers to retain employees who were displaced from an employer by divestiture through a transfer of a covered

Status establishment to a new employer.

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Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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 . Please indicate the measure, date and time of the hearing. Email sent to individual offices or any other Senate office will not be accepted.
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- In person: 1 copy of their testimony to the committee clerk, Room 204, State Capitol.
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