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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Friday April 3, 2009
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 211
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

[HB 754, HD1](#)

[Proposed SD1](#)

[\(HSCR865\)](#)

[Testimony](#)

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RELATING TO THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY.

TSM/WAM

Makes technical amendments to tourism law regarding development of measures of effectiveness. Removes ex-officio members from the Hawaii Tourism Authority (HTA) Board and places them in an advisory group to HTA. Expands the scope of a tourism emergency to include a national or global economic crisis. Transfers tourism related functions from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to HTA. Earmarks an unspecified percentage of moneys allocated to the Tourism Special Fund from the Transient Accommodation Tax to be used for tourism development and cultural programs. (Proposed SD1)

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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