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COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND HOUSING

Senator Norman Sakamoto, Chair
Senator Michelle Kidani, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, February 10, 2010
TIME: 1:20 PM
PLACE: Conference Room 225
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

<u>SB 2576</u>	RELATING TO HOUSING.	EDH, WAM
<u>Testimony</u>	Requires new residential developments in school impact districts to be	
<u>Status</u>	subject to all statutes, ordinances, charter provisions, and rules relating	
	to school impact fees and school impact districts.	
<u>SB 2577</u>	RELATING TO LOW-INCOME HOUSING.	EDH, WAM
<u>Testimony</u>	Establishes a program for granting low-income housing tax credit	
<u>Status</u>	loans in lieu of low-income housing tax credits administered by the	
	Hawaii housing finance and development corporation. Authorizes	
	issuance of general obligation bonds to fund loans.	
<u>SB 2578</u>	RELATING TO TAXATION.	EDH, WAM
<u>Testimony</u>	Establishes a refundable ohana residential housing income tax credit	
<u>Status</u>	for qualified taxpayers who purchase a qualified principal residence on	
	or after April 1, 2010, and before January 1, 2012, that is payable to	
	the qualified taxpayer in two equal installments over the immediately	
	following two taxable years.	
<u>SB 2605</u>	RELATING TO TAXATION.	EDH, WAM
<u>Testimony</u>	Provides a temporary tax credit for residential construction and	
<u>Status</u>	remodeling projects.	
<u>SB 2592</u>	RELATING TO THE GENERAL EXCISE TAX.	EDH, WAM
<u>Testimony</u>	Allows a general excise tax exemption to qualified persons or firms	
<u>Status</u>	who receive rental income on newly constructed or moderately or	
	substantially rehabilitated housing projects from households that meet	
	certain residency and annual income criteria.	
<u>SB 2633</u>	RELATING TO HOUSING.	EDH, TIA
<u>Testimony</u>	Granting temporary relief from county housing requirements as	
<u>Status</u>	recommended by the construction industry task force to stimulate	
	housing construction statewide.	

<p><u>SB 2593</u></p> <p><u>Testimony</u></p> <p><u>Status</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.</p> <p>Requires the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation to conduct periodic reviews of housing projects certified for a general excise tax exemption to determine whether the housing projects have met eligibility criteria required by law and rule.</p>	<p>EDH, WAM</p>
<p><u>SB 2594</u></p> <p><u>Testimony</u></p> <p><u>Status</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO HOUSING.</p> <p>Adds a residency requirement for households in a newly constructed or moderately or substantially rehabilitated housing project developed by a qualified person or firm in order for that person or firm to be considered to receive a general excise tax exemption.</p>	<p>EDH, WAM</p>
<p><u>SB 2595</u></p> <p><u>Testimony</u></p> <p><u>Status</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO HOUSING.</p> <p>Requires that the gross annual income of households in a housing project developed by a qualified person or firm be calculated according to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development's method of calculation for determining eligibility for the federal housing choice voucher (section 8) program, in order for the person or firm to be considered to receive a general excise tax exemption.</p>	<p>EDH, WAM</p>
<p><u>SB 2960</u></p> <p><u>Testimony</u></p> <p><u>Status</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.</p> <p>Restructures the department of education into two major divisions – the academic achievement division and the administration division – and establishes two senior deputy superintendent positions to head the divisions.</p>	<p>EDH, WAM</p>
<p><u>SB 2874</u></p> <p><u>Testimony</u></p> <p><u>Status</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO TAXATION.</p> <p>Creates a blank fill-in amount for the school-level minor repairs and maintenance special fund and the libraries special fund income tax check-off boxes.</p>	<p>EDH, WAM</p>
<p><u>SB 2873</u></p> <p><u>Testimony</u></p> <p><u>Status</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO CODE OF ETHICS.</p> <p>Exempts teachers from the code of ethics to allow teachers to provide instruction to current, future, or former students when special circumstances exist.</p>	<p>EDH, JGO</p>

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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