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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, March 17, 2010
TIME: 2:00 p.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 309
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

SB 2452, SD2
(SSCR2582)
Status

RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION OF SCHOOL CHILDREN.
Requires the DOE to provide or subsidize the cost of suitable transportation to and from school for K-12 students or students in special education classes at public schools, except those in the Honolulu departmental district.

EDN, FIN

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

DECISION MAKING on the following measures that were previously heard (no testimony will be accepted):

SB 2068, SD2
(SSCR2625)
Status

RELATING TO EARLY EDUCATION.
Removes the provisions requiring the department of education to establish and maintain a public school junior kindergarten program.

EDN, FIN

SB 2567, SD1
(SSCR2573)
Status

RELATING TO EDUCATION.
Requires the DOE to approve one set of teaching materials, that are consistent with Race to the Top fund selection criteria, to be used by all public schools, except upon approval of a waiver; require standards-based curriculum to include the set of teaching materials; collaborate with certain organizations to select and approve the set of teaching materials; and report findings to the legislature. (SD1)

EDN, FIN



SB 2589, SD2
(SSCR2619)
Status

RELATING TO CHARTER SCHOOLS.

EDN, FIN

Requires the Department of Education to make available vacant school facilities or portions of school facilities for use by charter schools. Requires the charter school review panel to compile a prioritized list of charter schools that wish to use vacant school facilities or portions of school facilities. Makes changes to charter school funding. Requires the Charter School Review Panel (CSRP) to determine a clear process with rigorous criteria for the reauthorization of charter schools. Requires the CSRP to reauthorize charter schools no later than four years following the initial issue of the charter, and every four years thereafter. Requires the Charter School Administrative Office (CSAO) to withhold funds for its operational expenses, subject to certain requirements. Requires the CSAO to report annually to the CSRP individual and aggregate operational and instructional expenditures of charter schools. Requires per-pupil allocation checks paid by the CSAO to individual charter schools to be co-signed by the executive director of the CSAO and an agent of the CSRP. Repeals the cap on the number of charter schools. Effective 7/1/2050.

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