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COMMITTEE ON LABOR
Senator Dwight Y. Takamine, Chair
Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, February 09, 2010
TIME: 3:00 p.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 224
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

<u>SB 2549</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT SECURITY. Amends the appropriations allocated to the workforce investment boards on the islands of Oahu, Maui, Kauai, and Hawaii; amends the appropriation to be used by the workforce development council; repeals the appropriation allocated to the department of labor and industrial relations for administrative expenses.	LBR, WAM
<u>SB 2244</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO MINIMUM HOURLY WAGE. Increases the minimum hourly wage to \$8.50 per hour beginning July 1, 2010 and ending January 1, 2012. Adjusts the minimum hourly wage thereafter in accordance with consumer price index.	LBR, WAM
<u>SB 2248</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO TAXATION. Creates a tax credit for employers who fund continuing education for certain employees to improve their existing skills; limits the amount of employer contributions paid under the employment security laws for the 2010 and 2011 calendar years even if the employer hires a certain number of additional employees.	LBR, WAM
<u>SB 2949</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING. Clarifies that furloughs are a subject to collective bargaining.	LBR, WAM
<u>SB 692</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO WORKERS' RIGHTS. Requires private employers who provide pension plans to their employees to allow an employee who has vested to receive pension payments upon becoming disabled, regardless of age. Permits director of labor and industrial relations to reopen workers' compensation cases after settlement if settlement was obtained by exerting undue influence over any party or as a result of the disability or mental incompetence of the employee.	LBR

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Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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Senator Dwight Y. Takamine
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