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AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, February 10, 2011  
TIME: 8:30 a.m.  
PLACE: Conference Room 229  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street

A M E N D E D A G E N D A

[SB 1348](#)

[Testimony](#)

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RELATING TO THE HAWAII HEALTH INSURANCE EXCHANGE.

Establishes the Hawaii health connector to create a health insurance exchange pursuant to the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010; creates Hawaii health insurance exchange council under a board of directors; creates board of directors; creates task force to recommend policies and procedures to implement the governance of the health insurance exchange.

CPN/HTH, WAM

[SB 1453](#)

[Testimony](#)

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RELATING TO PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS.

Requires the insurance commissioner to develop a standardized prior authorization request form and process for prescription medications for use by health care providers and insurance carriers.

CPN/HTH, WAM

[SB 1274](#)

[Testimony](#)

[Status](#)

RELATING TO HEALTH INSURANCE.

Provides uniform standards for external review procedures based on NAIC Uniform Health Carrier External Review Model Act, in order to comply with the requirements of the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010.

CPN/HTH, WAM

**[Measure added on 02/02/11]**

[SB 37](#)

[Testimony](#)

[Status](#)

~~RELATING TO NURSES.~~

~~Grants advanced public health nurses recognition as advanced practice registered nurses as of 10/01/2011.~~

~~HTH, CPN~~

~~**[Measure deleted on 02/07/11]**~~

[SB 40](#)

[Testimony](#)

[Status](#)

RELATING TO PSEUDOEPHEDRINE.

Reclassifies pseudoephedrine as a schedule III drug which may only be dispensed with a prescription; makes conforming amendments.

HTH/CPN, JDL



<p><b><u>SB 586</u></b></p> <p><a href="#"><u>Testimony</u></a></p> <p><a href="#"><u>Status</u></a></p>	<p>RELATING TO PSEUDOEPHEDRINE.</p> <p>Adds pseudoephedrine to the list of schedule III controlled substances; repeals the sale of pseudoephedrine without a prescription and related provisions regarding transport of the drug.</p>	<p>HTH/CPN, JDL</p>
<p><b><u>SB 591</u></b></p> <p><a href="#"><u>Testimony</u></a></p> <p><a href="#"><u>Status</u></a></p>	<p>RELATING TO PHARMACY BENEFIT MANAGEMENT COMPANIES.</p> <p>Requires registration of and regulates practices of pharmacy benefit management companies. Requires periodic audits of pharmacies that submit claims to pharmacy benefit management companies.</p>	<p>HTH/CPN, JDL</p>
<p><b><u>SB 790</u></b></p> <p><a href="#"><u>Testimony</u></a></p> <p><a href="#"><u>Status</u></a></p>	<p>RELATING TO EMERGENCY ON-CALL PHYSICIANS.</p> <p>Establishes a tax credit equal to five per cent of the amount of medical malpractice insurance premium paid by a physician who provides on-call services to emergency departments.</p>	<p>HTH/CPN, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>SB 948</u></b></p> <p><a href="#"><u>Testimony</u></a></p> <p><a href="#"><u>Status</u></a></p>	<p>RELATING TO HEALTH COVERAGE FOR BRAIN INJURIES.</p> <p>Requires insurers, hospital and medical services plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for survivors of brain injuries, including cognitive and neurocognitive therapy, neurobehavioral and neuropsychological testing or treatment, and necessary post-acute transition services or community reintegration activities.</p>	<p>HTH/CPN, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>SB 1452</u></b></p> <p><a href="#"><u>Testimony</u></a></p> <p><a href="#"><u>Status</u></a></p>	<p>RELATING TO HEALTH INSURANCE.</p> <p>Requires health insurers to provide coverage for specified types of smoking cessation methods.</p>	<p>HTH/CPN, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>SB 1506</u></b></p> <p><a href="#"><u>Testimony</u></a></p> <p><a href="#"><u>Status</u></a></p>	<p>RELATING TO HEALTH.</p> <p>Requires insurers to cover childhood obesity as a billable provider visit. Appropriates funds for the distribution of childhood obesity management instructional toolkits to the State's pediatricians. Forms a working group under the department of health to assess the root cause of childhood obesity and explore the areas of nutrition and preventative care.</p>	<p>HTH/CPN, WAM</p>

**Decision Making to follow, if time permits.**

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