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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:        Friday, February 25, 2011  
TIME:        10:00 A.M..  
PLACE:      Conference Room 308  
              State Capitol  
              415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A # 1

HB 814  
Status

RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT.

FIN

Limits the EUTF to providing group life insurance benefits only to retired employees who retired before 07/01/2011. Maintains the flat dollar contribution for the group life benefit of retired employees and repeals the annual adjustment. Repeals provisions pertaining to the negotiation of group life insurance contributions for active employees.

HB 815  
Status

RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES.

FIN

Makes employer contributions to the employer-union health benefits trust fund non-negotiable under collective bargaining. Establishes employer contributions for active public employees at 50% of monthly cost of the health benefits plan. Limits the trust fund to offering to active employees a medical benefits plan that provides not more than the minimum benefits required under the Hawaii prepaid health care act. Requires the trust fund to offer separate prescription drug, dental, and vision plans. Takes effect on 7/1/2011, and is repealed on 6/30/2015, but does not affect collective bargaining contracts, the cost items of which were approved before the effective date.

HB 1041, HD1  
(HSCR472)  
Status

RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND.

LAB, FIN

Eliminates medicare part B reimbursements for employee-beneficiaries and spouses of employee-beneficiaries hired after June 30, 2011. Provides that an employee-beneficiary would be entitled to receive up to ninety percent of medicare part B reimbursements, based on the employee-beneficiary's year or years of credited service on June 30, 2011. Effective July 1, 2011.



<u>HB 1035, HD1</u> (HSCR298) <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM BENEFIT ENHANCEMENT MORATORIUM. Institutes a moratorium on the enhancement of Employees' Retirement System benefits until the system's funded ratio is one hundred per cent.	LAB, FIN
<u>HB 1037</u> (HSCR342) <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM. Sets the rates for employer contributions to the Employees' Retirement System.	LAB, FIN
<u>HB 1038, HD1</u> (HSCR469) <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM. Provides for retirement benefits for State and county employees who become members of the Employees' Retirement System after June 30, 2012. Effective July 1, 2012.	LAB, FIN
<u>HB 817</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM. Establishes the percentage of "regular interest" credited to the retirement account of a public employee who first enters service after 06/30/11 at 2% as opposed to a public employee who first entered service prior to 07/01/11, whose regular interest percentage is 4 and 1/2%.	FIN

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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