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### NOTICE OF JOINT INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING

DATE:

Monday, August 29, 2011

TIME:

12:30 p.m.

PLACE:

Conference Room 325

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

#### AGENDA

The purpose of this joint informational briefing is to review the issues, under the purview of the Child Protective Services branch, such as but not limited to youth drug use, rave clubs, underage drinking, underage prostitution, and cyber crime (electronic enticement toward minors for illegal purposes).

According to a recent poll on child abuse found that isle residents hold misconceptions. In Hawaii, 64 percent of residents have difficulty recognizing child abuse. However, 2 out of 3 residents would report abuse to Child Welfare Services, if the child was a stranger.

At the conclusion of the briefing, the Chairs of the Senate and House Human Services Committee will highlight the top solutions obtained through the briefing, in the form of bill proposals or recommended administrative policy changes to agencies with oversight of youth to better address neglect, abuse, violence and illegal drug use by youth in Hawaii.

In addition, the following organizations or individuals have been invited to participate in this briefing:

Department of Human Services, Hawaii Youth Correctional Facility Department of Human Services, Child Protective Services & Child Welfare Branch Honolulu Police Department The Hawaii Meth Project, Executive Director Cindy Adams

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Honolulu Star Advertiser "Poll on child abuse" on July 18, 2011.

Hina Mauka, Executive Director Alan Johnson The Hawaii Children's Trust Fund Joyful Heart

Individuals with direct knowledge of child abuse or neglect

Agencies and faith based organizations which receive state funding for youth victims of abuse, neglect, and violence.

If you require special assistance or auxiliary aids and/or services to participate in the informational briefing (i.e., sign language interpreter or wheelchair accessibility), please contact the Committee Clerk at **586-6050** to make a request for arrangements at least 24 hours prior to the briefing. Prompt requests help to ensure the availability of qualified individuals and appropriate accommodations.

For further information, please call the Committee Clerk at 586-6050.

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Persons on the testifiers list wishing to offer comments should submit testimony at least <u>24 hours</u> prior to the hearing with a transmittal cover indicating:

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PAPER: One copy (including an original) to Room 315 in the State Capitol;

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