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COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Senator David Y. Ige, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF DECISION MAKING

DATE: Wednesday, March 28, 2012
TIME: 9:30 a.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 211
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

**Decision making meeting only, no public testimony will be accepted.
Persons wishing to offer comments may do so 24 hours prior to the hearing.
See submittal instructions below.**

The following measure(s) were previously heard in their respective Standing Committees:

<u>HB 2375, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR2855)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u>	RELATING TO THE MORTGAGE RESCUE FRAUD PREVENTION ACT. Requires the office of consumer protection to educate consumers about fraudulent activities that may be committed against homeowners who face property foreclosures, liens, or encumbrances, as appropriate. Establishes criminal penalties and a mandatory fine for certain violations of the mortgage rescue fraud prevention act. (SD1)	CPN/JDL, WAM
<u>HB 2502, HD2, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR2840)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u>	RELATING TO MORTGAGE SERVICERS. Requires every mortgage servicer who provides loan modification services that would require licensure as a mortgage loan originator to be licensed as a mortgage loan originator in addition to being licensed as a mortgage servicer. Authorizes the commissioner of financial institutions to require all mortgage servicers to register with the Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System. Clarifies the portion of administrative fines collected for violations of chapter 454M, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to be deposited into the mortgage foreclosure dispute resolution special fund. (SD1)	CPN, WAM
<u>HB 2508, HD1</u> <u>(SSCR2836)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u>	RELATING TO COLLECTION AGENCIES. Clarifies and strengthens enforcement provisions for exempt out-of-state collection agencies and increases fines for collection agencies governed under chapter 443B, Hawaii Revised Statutes. (HB2508 HD1)	CPN, WAM



<p><u>HB 2319, HD2, SD1</u> (SSCR2859) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. Exempts grants made under the community-based economic development program from the Hawaii public procurement code; clarifies that moneys in the hydrogen investment capital special fund shall be expended by the Hawaii strategic development corporation; repeals the high technology innovation corporation. (SD1)</p>	<p>EDT, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 2127</u> (SSCR2867) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS FOR HAWAII PREPARATORY ACADEMY. Extends the lapse date, from 6/30/12 to 6/30/17, of the special purpose revenue bonds that were authorized to assist Hawaii Preparatory Academy in Act 116, SLH 2007.</p>	<p>EDU, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 2248, HD2, SD1</u> (SSCR2868) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS FOR HAWAII PACIFIC UNIVERSITY. Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to assist Hawaii Pacific University. (SD1)</p>	<p>EDU, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 2368, HD1</u> (SSCR2870) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT HILO. Appropriates funds to establish a medical residency program at the University of Hawaii at Hilo. Effective July 1, 2050. (HB2368 HD1)</p>	<p>EDU, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 2513, HD1, SD1</u> (SSCR2871) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO EDUCATION. Repeals certain operational requirements for student health programs established for a 1970 pilot project. (SD1)</p>	<p>EDU, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 1698</u> (SSCR2848) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO QUALIFIED COMMUNITY REHABILITATION PROGRAMS. Removes the department of human resources development's requirement to report expenditures on qualified community rehabilitation programs to the legislature.</p>	<p>HMS, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 2685, HD2, SD1</u> (SSCR2873) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES. Requires DHS to conduct a study on asset limits for public assistance programs. Requires a report to the legislature. Effective July 1, 2030. (SD1)</p>	<p>HMS, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 1755, HD2, SD1</u> (SSCR2883) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO VOTER REGISTRATION. Updates voter registration laws, including authorizing the acceptance of electronic applications to register to vote and the development of an online voter registration system that will cross-check the contents of the application with data associated with previously issued government identification. Makes an appropriation. Effective 11/08/16. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 1892, SD1</u> (SSCR2884) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO THE REAPPORTIONMENT COMMISSION. Places the reapportionment commission within the office of elections for administrative purposes. Directs the chief election officer to request an appropriation from the general fund to support the commission, to be effective in the year in which the commission is constituted. Effective 07/01/50. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>



<p>HB 2179 (SSCR2880) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO THE AUDITOR. Allows the diminishment of the auditor's salary during the auditor's term of office by general law applicable to all salaried officers.</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p>HB 2254, HD1 (SSCR2909) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO THE PRETAX TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT. Allows the chief executive of certain jurisdictions of the State, including the counties, to establish a wage and salary reduction benefit program which qualifies as a pretax transportation benefit program within the meaning of section 132 of the Internal Revenue Code. Authorizes the chief executive to enter into all contracts necessary to establish, administer, and maintain such a program. (HB2254 HD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p>HB 2361, HD2, SD1 (SSCR2911) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO DEBT COLLECTION. Allows the Attorney General to assume the collection of accounts delinquent for more than ninety days for executive departments, except for the department of taxation and University of Hawaii. Establishes a civil recoveries fund into which shall be deposited an unspecified percentage of any moneys collected by the attorney general for any executive department that has turned over delinquent accounts for collection. Allows the heads of executive departments to contract with a collection agency to collect on delinquent accounts. Effective 07/01/30. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p>HB 2439, HD1 (SSCR2878) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND. Amends the Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund law to add a new definition of "credited service" and to clarify the definitions of "employee" and "part-time, temporary, and seasonal or casual employee." (HB2439 HD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p>HB 2476, HD1, SD1 (SSCR2912) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE, ITS OFFICERS, OR ITS EMPLOYEES. Makes appropriations for claims against the State or its officers or employees. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p>HB 2491, HD1 (SSCR2879) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND. Authorizes the board of the Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund to create a trust fund for the purpose of receiving employer contributions that will prefund post-employment health and other benefit costs for retirees and their beneficiaries. (HB2491 HD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p>HB 2493, HD1 (SSCR2910) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS. Provides unspecified employer contributions amounts for plan years 2011-2012 and 2012-2013 for Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund health benefit plan premiums for the employees of collective bargaining unit (9) and their excluded counterparts. Effective retroactive on July 1, 2011. (HB2493 HD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>



<p><u>HB 2574, HD1, SD1</u> (SSCR2885) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO NOTIFICATION OF CHAPTER 91 HEARINGS. Authorizes the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to provide notice of hearings pursuant to chapter 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes, by written notice of hearing by first class mail, rather than registered or certified mail with return receipt. Authorizes the department to provide notice of hearing by publication if a party's address cannot be ascertained. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 2578, HD1</u> (SSCR2881) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES. Abolishes the Advisory Council for Community Services. (HB2578 HD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 2655, HD2</u> (SSCR2882) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO LABOR. Directs the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to establish a state-funded training program to expand the workforce investment activities administered by the DLIR under the federal Workforce Investment Act. Allows Employment and Training Fund moneys to be used for a period of one year for costs to administer, manage, report, and oversee Title I programs funded under the federal Workforce Investment Act of 1998 for which insufficient federal funds were allocated. Makes an appropriation. Provides for the adoption of rules. Effective July 1, 2030. (HB2655 HD2)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 2226, HD2, SD1</u> (SSCR2864) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO AN AUTOMATED VICTIM NOTIFICATION SYSTEM. Codifies the statewide automated victim information and notification system and establishes an automated victim notification system special fund. Effective 07/01/2050. (SD1)</p>	<p>PGM, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 2347</u> (SSCR2843) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR REVENUE-PRODUCING UNDERTAKINGS. Permits the pledging of receipts other than real property tax and revenues as defined by the state constitution.</p>	<p>PGM, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 2410, HD1</u> (SSCR2846) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO THE MILITARY. Requires the Governor, on behalf of the State, to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the United States Department of Defense to enhance the State's relationship with the military and provide continued support for the military's presence in Hawaii. (HB2410 HD1)</p>	<p>PGM, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 2608, HD1, SD1</u> (SSCR2841) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO DRIVER LICENSING. Directs the Director of the Department of Transportation to select a statewide driver's license reciprocity committee to evaluate foreign countries' requests for driver's license reciprocity to ensure the standards of the foreign countries' driver's license testing is equivalent to those of Hawaii. (SD1)</p>	<p>TIA/PGM, WAM</p>



[HB 2684, HD2, SD1](#)

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RELATING TO THE ZIPPER LANE.

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Requires the Department of Transportation to conduct a feasibility study on the extension of the zipper lane westward from Waipahu toward Kapolei, west of the Kunia on-ramp. Requires the Department of Transportation to submit a report to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2014. Appropriates funds for the study. (SD1)

Comments may be submitted as follows:

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By Web: Online if less than 4MB in size, at <http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/submittestimony.aspx>

In person: One copy of comments to the Committee Clerk, Room 215, State Capitol. Please mark as comments and indicate the measure, date and time of the hearing.

Please note: If you submit your written comments after 24 hours prior to the hearing, a copy of your comments may not be available during the hearing but will be posted online after the hearing.

FOR AMENDED NOTICES: Measures that have been deleted are stricken through and measures that have been added are underscored. If a measure is both underscored and stricken through, that measure has been deleted from the agenda.

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