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COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
Senator Brickwood Galuteria, Vice Chair

AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, March 19, 2013
TIME: ~~9:30am~~ 9:15am
PLACE: Conference Room 229
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

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

The Committee previously held a public hearing on a Senate bill that is substantially similar to the following House bill HB847, HB848 and HB815. Please focus your testimony on the differences, if any, between the House and Senate measure(s) listed.

HB 847, HD2 (HSCR855) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO ENFORCEMENT TOOLS TO IMPROVE PATIENT SAFETY. Authorizes the Hawaii Medical Board to summarily suspend a license and order a licensee to submit to a physical and mental examination under specific circumstances. Specifies immunities for licensees who provide certain information to the board. Effective July 1, 2050. (HB847 HD2)	CPN, JDL
HB 1202, HD1 (HSCR727) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO BUSINESS. For unlicensed activity offenses pertaining to professional, vocational, and contractors licenses, excepts from criminal liability a licensee who corrects, with no lapse in licensure, the inadvertent failure to maintain licensing requirements. Effective January 1, 2100. (HB1202 HD1)	CPN, JDL
HB 848, HD2 (HSCR834) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO HEALTH INSURANCE. For consistency with federal affordable health care law, etc., defines "small employer" in Hawaii insurance code to consist of employers with 50 employees or less; applies producer licensing law requirements to producers selling health maintenance organization and mutual benefit society insurance products. Effective July 1, 2050. (HB848 HD2)	CPN
HB 815, HD2 (HSCR850) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES. Directs the Public Utilities Commission and the Division of Consumer Advocacy to consider the ownership structure and interests of an electric cooperative in determining appropriate regulations. Authorizes the PUC to waive or exempt an electric cooperative from certain regulations. (HB815 HD2)	CPN
HB 999, HD2 (HSCR737) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO INSURANCE. Clarifies when a risk retention group is allowed to qualify for credit for reinsurance. Effective July 1, 2013. (HB999 HD2)	CPN



Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

Click [here](#) to submit testimony to the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection. Testimony may be emailed if less than 5 pages in length, to the Committee at CPNTestimony@Capitol.hawaii.gov. Please indicate the measure, date and time of the hearing.

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Testimony may be submitted up to 24 hours prior to the start of the hearing.

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Senator Rosalyn H. Baker
Chair

