# OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER TWENTY-SEVENTH STATE LEGISLATURE

### **COMMITTEE REFERRALS**

## NO. 13

#### NO. 13 11th LEGISLATIVE DAY-MONDAY, FEBRUARY 04, 2013

### Committee Abbreviations:

AGR - Agriculture	LAB - Labor & Public Employment	
CPC - Consumer Protection & Commerce	LMG - Legislative Management	
EDB - Economic Development & Business	OMH - Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian	
EDN - Education	Affairs	
EEP - Energy & Environmental Protection	PBS - Public Safety	
FIN - Finance	TOU - Tourism	
HED - Higher Education	TRN - Transportation	
HLT - Health	VMI - Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, &	
HSG - Housing	Culture and the Arts	
HUS - Human Services	WAL - Water & Land	
JUD - Judiciary		

		Committee RE-REFERRAL
<u>HB65</u>	RELATING TO PRESCRIPTION DRUGS.  Allows beneficiaries of prescription drug benefits providers to opt out of the requirement to purchase prescription drugs from a mail-order pharmacy and may alternatively purchase prescription drugs from a retail pharmacy.	HLT, CPC/JUD
<u>HB114, HD1</u>	RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION. Establishes an Independent Audit Committee within the Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii. (HB114 HD1)	HED, FIN
<u>HB535</u>	RELATING TO HOMELESS PROGRAMS. Requires the designation of temporary nighttime parking lots in each county to provide locations where homeless individuals who live and sleep in their vehicles can park overnight.	HSG, FIN
HB691	RELATING TO TAXATION.  Requires payors of non-wage payments for construction services to report the payments to the department of taxation and the provider of construction services.	FIN

## Committee RE-REFERRAL

#### <u>HB745</u> RELATING TO LEAVE.

LAB/EDN, FIN

Authorizes family school leave for employees of employers who employ an unspecified number of employees, provided certain requirements are met, so that employees may participate in their children's school activities. Prohibits employers from discharging or otherwise discriminating against an employee for taking family school leave. Allows for a civil penalty in an amount equal to three times the amount of the employee's lost wages and benefits in certain circumstances.

#### HB979 RELATING TO HARBORS.

TRN, JUD

Authorizes the Department of Transportation to adopt rules to impose upon private parties who use state commercial harbors the duty to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the State against claims that arise from such use.

#### HB1260 RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

AGR, CPC, FIN

Adds to the definition of agricultural commodities exempt from the GET, milk, poultry eggs, poultry carcass, poultry meat, and aquaculture and aquaponic products to be consumed in the State, whether processed in the State or imported.

#### <u>HB1357</u> RELATING TO ADEQUATE HIGHWAY REQUIREMENTS.

TRN, WAL, FIN

Requires the director of transportation to certify to the governor that adequate highway capacity exists in a county's business district at a minimum of level of service D before any construction of a new subdivision or housing development project can commence in the county.

#### HB1449 RELATING TO ELECTRICITY RATES.

AGR, CPC, FIN

Establishes a pilot program to determine whether preferential electricity rates for agricultural activities will better aid in the sustainable perpetuation of local agriculture in Hawaii.