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COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH

Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair  
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Saturday, February 6, ~~2015~~ 2016  
TIME: 9:00am  
PLACE: Conference Room 229  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

<a href="#"><u>SB 2687</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></a>	RELATING TO CANCER. Creates the colorectal cancer screening and awareness program within the department of health and appropriates funds for the program.	CPH, WAM
<a href="#"><u>SB 2779</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></a>	RELATING TO COMMUNITY PARAMEDIC SERVICES. Establishes community paramedic services to expand the provision of emergency medical services and assist in providing more timely medical services to the community. Specifies community paramedic services covered under medical assistance. Appropriates funds for community paramedic services.	CPH, WAM
<a href="#"><u>SB 2840</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></a>	RELATING TO REPORTING DEATHS TO STATE AGENCIES. Authorizes the Department of Health to continue to disclose, including through electronic means, lists of names of persons whose deaths have been recorded by DOH, to state agencies that maintain official lists of persons and are prohibited by federal law from sharing information for the lists.	CPH, JDL
<a href="#"><u>SB 2883</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></a>	RELATING TO AMENDING IDENTITY OF REGISTRANT'S PARENT ON A BIRTH CERTIFICATE. Clarifies that amendments to birth records that change parenthood shall not be conducted through the Uniform Information Practices Act procedures to correct personal records, but must be pursuant to a court order of appropriate jurisdiction or other legal establishment of parenthood.	CPH, JDL
<a href="#"><u>SB 2958</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></a>	RELATING TO HEALTH. Requires the Department of Health to: (1) Charge and collect fees for the licensing, relicensing, certification, and recertification of community care facilities; and (2) Submit a report to the Legislature prior to the 2017 Regular Session on implementation of the fees.	CPH, WAM



**SB 3010**

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO HEALTH.

Establishes the hospice and palliative care and quality of life advisory council within the department of health to advise the director of health on hospice and palliative care matters. Requires the advisory council to assist health care facilities and health care services in the State to establish a system for identifying patients or residents who could benefit from hospice or palliative care and provide information on accessing these services. Permits an insured to receive hospice care and palliative care services without first obtaining a referral from a primary care provider or other physician. Requires insurers that offer payment or reimbursement for hospice care and palliative care to accept, as eligible for coverage, persons with a life expectancy certification of two years or less and provide reimbursement for all prescription medications needed for pain and symptom management. Requires reports to the legislature.

CPH, WAM

**SB 2688**

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO THE SALE OF E-LIQUID.

Beginning January 1, 2017, prohibits the sale of an e-liquid container for an electronic smoking device unless the container is packaged in child-resistant packaging and labeled with warning language, if applicable. Establishes penalties.

CPH, JDL

**SB 2689**

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO CHAPTER 245, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES.

Amends the definitions of "dealer", "retailer", "wholesale price" and "wholesaler" to include electronic smoking devices and e-liquid. Establishes definitions for "disposable electronic smoking device", "electronic smoking device", "e-liquid", and "reusable electronic smoking device". Increases the license fee for persons engaged as a wholesaler or dealer. Increases the retail tobacco permit fee for retailers engaged in the retail sale of cigarettes and tobacco products, and includes electronic smoking devices and e-liquid. Effective January 1, 2017.

CPH, JDL

**SB 2690**

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO CHAPTER 245, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES.

Increases the excise tax on cigarettes and little cigars sold on or after July 1, 2016, to twenty cents per each cigarette or little cigar sold. Allocates the increased taxes collected per cigarette or little cigar to various funds, including \$0.01 to the Hawaii cancer research special fund; \$0.01 to the department of health chronic disease prevention and health promotion division, for smoking cessation programs and education in Hawaii; and \$0.02 to the general fund.

CPH, WAM



**SB 2691**

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RELATING TO CHAPTER 245, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES. CPH, WAM  
Defines disposable electronic smoking device, electronic smoking device, e-liquid, and reusable electronic smoking device in the State's cigarette tax and tobacco tax law. Imposes an excise tax on an e-liquid sold by a wholesaler or dealer on or after 1/1/2017, whether or not sold at wholesale, or if not sold then at the same rate upon the use by the wholesaler or dealer. Requires any increase in the excise tax rate imposed on cigarettes or little cigars on or after 1/1/2017 to trigger an automatic excise tax increase on e-liquid on or after 1/1/2017. Imposes an excise tax on the wholesale price of disposable electronic smoking devices and reusable electronic smoking devices sold by a wholesaler or dealer on or after January 1, 2017, whether or not sold at wholesale, or if not sold then at the same rate upon the use by the wholesaler or dealer.

**SB 2692**

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO TAX RATE FOR TOBACCO PRODUCTS. CPH, WAM  
Imposes an excise tax equal to eighty per cent of the wholesale price of any tobacco product, other than large cigars, sold by a wholesaler or dealer on and after January 1, 2017, whether or not sold at wholesale, or if not sold then at the same rate upon the use by the wholesaler or dealer. Requires the additional moneys collected under the excise tax to be deposited to the credit of the Hawaii cancer research special fund.

**Decision Making to follow, if time permits.**

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Chair

