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COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR

Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Chair  
Senator Maile S.L. Shimabukuro, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, February 02, 2016  
TIME: 9:00 a.m.  
PLACE: Conference Room 016  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

**SB 2295**

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RELATING TO ELECTIONS.

Requires the Chief Election Officer to select a letter of the alphabet by lot and arrange candidate names on ballots in alphabetical order by last name, beginning with the randomly selected letter. Requires notice to voters that the candidates may not necessarily be listed in alphabetical order on the ballot by a method suited for all voting systems. Directs the Chief Election Officer to establish procedures to implement this new procedure applicable to elections in the next two year election cycle following the effective date.

JDL, WAM

**SB 2242**

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RELATING TO ELECTIONS.

Prohibits any person from wilfully exhibiting another person's ballot or another person's unvoted ballots in a special primary or primary election, except as provided in sections 11-132 and 11-139, HRS, after the ballot has been marked. Preserves the right for any voter to exhibit the voter's own marked ballot electronically or digitally to other persons, subject to sections 11-132 and 11-139, HRS.

JDL

**SB 2116**

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RELATING TO ELECTIONS.

Incrementally phases in statewide elections by mail by the 2022 primary election. Assigns responsibilities between the State and counties for expenses related to mail elections for federal, state, and county offices. Requires clerks to send qualified voters their ballots forty-five days before an election. Establishes standards regarding hours of operation for absentee polling places. Specifies procedures for the counting of ballots. Makes an appropriation.

JDL, WAM



**[SB 2496](#)**

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RELATING TO ELECTIONS.

Beginning with the primary election in 2018, requires the office of elections to implement election by mail in a county with a population of fewer than 100,000. Beginning with the 2022 primary election, implement election by mail in each county with a population of fewer than 500,000 and also require election by mail for all elections beginning in 2022 election. Provides places of deposit for personal delivery of mail-in ballots and ensures a limited number of voter service centers in each county to remain open on the day of election to allow voters with special needs to vote and receive personal delivery of absentee, permanent absentee, and mail-in ballots. Beginning on January 1, 2018, the voter service center shall enable the eligible voter to register to vote on the day of the election. Makes conforming amendments for procedures to postpone elections and the disclosure of the election result in the event of a natural disaster; and the allocation of election expenses between the State and counties. Appropriates funds for the implementation and administration of the election by mail program.

Pending Re-referral to JDL, WAM

**[SB 2296](#)**

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO ELECTIONS.

Beginning with the primary election in an unspecified year, requires the office of elections to implement elections by mail. Thereafter requires all federal, state, and county primary, special primary, general, special general, and special elections to be conducted by mail. Beginning on an unspecified date, establishes a minimum number of voter service centers per county and island, in lieu of traditional polling places. Requires voter service centers to provide services such as voter registration at least ten working days through the day before election day. Repeals election day voter registration at polling places, which was to take effect on January 1, 2018. Appropriates funds.

Pending Re-referral to JDL, WAM

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

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Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran  
Chair

