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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: Wednesday, March 16, 2016  
TIME: 9:00 a.m.  
PLACE: Conference Room 016  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

<p><b><u>HB 2445, HD1</u></b> <a href="#">(HSCR818-16)</a> <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. Ensures future ERS benefits for public employees who are terminated from public employment due to the privatization of their positions. (HB2445 HD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>HB 2446, HD2</u></b> <a href="#">(HSCR888-16)</a> <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO SEPARATION BENEFITS. Authorizes public employees facing position abolishment, reduction-in-force, or workforce restructuring to opt to receive either voluntary severance benefits or a special retirement benefit in lieu of exercising any reduction-in-force rights. (HB2446 HD2)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>HB 2606, HD2</u></b> <a href="#">(HSCR889-16)</a> <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM. Establishes a retirement benefit incentive for public employees, otherwise eligible to retire, whose positions are subject to layoff due to the consolidation or abolition of functions, or the privatization of the functions of the position as a result of Act 103 (2015). Sunsets on June 30, 2017. (HB2606 HD2)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>HB 2122, HD2</u></b> <a href="#">(HSCR887-16)</a> <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT SECURITY. Increases maximum potential unemployment benefits for employees separated from service from 26 to 39 times the individual's weekly benefit amount commencing on or after March 7, 2016. Requires terminated or laid off Hawaiian Commercial and Sugar Company workers to complete a training or retraining program to receive the maximum potential benefits. (HB2122 HD2)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>HB 2722, HD1</u></b> <a href="#">(HSCR820-16)</a> <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO UNEMPLOYMENT. Creates a temporary program providing additional benefits to unemployed workers by extending their unemployment insurance benefits. Makes an appropriation. (HB2722 HD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>



**HB 2161, HD1**

(HSCR682-16)

Status &  
Testimony

RELATING TO THE DISABILITY COMPENSATION DIVISION.  
Appropriates funds for the hiring of six identified hearings officer positions and support staff within the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations' Disability Compensation Division and to provide the officers and staff with legal and medical training. (HB2161 HD1)

JDL, WAM

**HB 2605, HD1**

(HSCR819-16)

Status &  
Testimony

RELATING TO LABOR.  
Appropriates funds to establish, administer, and support on-the-job training for individuals who are unemployed and dislocated due to the closure of Hawaiian Commercial & Sugar Company on Maui. (HB2605 HD1)

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

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Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran  
Chair

