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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Friday, March 18, 2016
TIME: 10:00 a.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 309
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

SB 2077, SD1
(SSCR2763)
Status

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. Effective January 7, 2059. Sunsets on July 1, 2018. (SD1)

LAB, FIN

SB 3000, SD1
(SSCR2762)
Status

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. Effective January 7, 2059. Sunsets on July 1, 2018. (SD1)

LAB, FIN

SB 3036, SD1
(SSCR2673)
Status

RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT.
Clarifies that an employer may refuse to hire or refer, or discharge an individual for reasons relating to the ability of the individual to perform the work in question; provided that the employment policy is applied in a nondiscriminatory manner and unrelated to discriminatory practices, equal pay, criminal conviction records, or credit history. Effective January 7, 2059. (SD1)

LAB, JUD



<u>SB 2346, SD2</u> <u>(SSCR2765)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM. Expands the types of investment personnel that may be appointed by the ERS. Beginning on 1/1/2018, requires ERS to make direct payments to a spouse of a system member or retirant pursuant to a Hawaii domestic relations order. (SD2)	LAB, FIN
<u>SB 2428, SD2</u> <u>(SSCR2801)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES. Requires public retiree contributions to the EUTF to be paid through withholdings of retirement benefit amounts from the ERS. Beginning after January 1, 2017, requires the EUTF to authorize automatic electronic payments in lieu of withholdings. Effective 7/1/2076. (SD2)	LAB, FIN
<u>SB 2724, SD2</u> <u>(SSCR2802)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO PREVAILING WAGES. Expands the types of projects that must comply with wage and hour requirements under chapter 104, HRS, including construction projects on public lands regardless of whether the work is paid from public funds, and projects for which public lands are used as security for financing. Exempts certain projects from chapter 104, HRS. Establishes requirements that apply in situations involving private lessees of public land who contract for certain projects on public land. Appropriates funds for enforcement of chapter 104, HRS. Effective 1/7/2059, except section 5, which takes effect 7/1/2059. (SD2)	LAB, FIN
<u>SB 2838, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR2624)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO INVESTMENTS OF THE HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND. Repeals certain restrictions on investments that can be made by the Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund. (SD1)	LAB, FIN
<u>SB 2839, SD2</u> <u>(SSCR2531)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND. Amends the definition of "dependent-beneficiary" as used in chapter 87A, HRS, and make housekeeping amendments. (SD2)	LAB, FIN
<u>SB 2898, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR2603)</u> <u>Status</u>	MAKING EMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE STATE TO COMPLY WITH THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT. Makes an emergency appropriation for fiscal year 2015-2016 for the department of labor and industrial relations and the department of human services to cover short-term costs required to comply with the Affordable Care Act. (SD1)	LAB/HUS, FIN

DECISION MAKING

The following measures were previously heard on **Tuesday, March 15, 2016**. **No public testimony on these bills will be accepted.**

<u>SB 3038, SD2</u> <u>(SSCR2546)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO UNEMPLOYMENT. Creates a temporary program, limited to counties with a population under 200,000, to provide additional benefits to unemployed workers by extending their unemployment insurance benefits. Make an appropriation. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD2)	LAB, FIN
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SB 3081, SD1
(SSCR2798)
Status

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. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)

LAB, FIN

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

Persons wishing to offer comments should submit testimony at least 24 hours prior to the hearing. Testimony should indicate:

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- Measure number.

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