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COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Chair
Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF DECISION MAKING

DATE: Thursday, February 25, 2016
TIME: 9:30 a.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 211
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

The following measure(s) were previously heard in their respective committees:

<u>SB 2776, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR2362)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u>	RELATING TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION. Allows a commissioner to attend by teleconference or videoconference a public hearing of the public utilities commission, except for a contested case hearing, including allowing a commissioner who resides on an island other than Oahu to attend a public hearing of the commission held on Oahu and a commissioner residing on the island of Oahu to attend a public hearing of the commission held on an island other than Oahu, by teleconference or videoconference. Enables a member of the commission who is a resident of a county other than the city and county of Honolulu to receive per diem compensation. Enables a person's island of residence to be used as a criterion when determining the person's qualification to serve as a commissioner. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)	CPH/JDL, WAM
<u>SB 2976, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR2444)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u>	RELATING TO LICENSING OF PRIVATE TRADE, VOCATIONAL, AND TECHNICAL SCHOOL. Transfers administration of the licensing and regulation program for private trade, vocational, and technical schools from the department of education to the department of commerce and consumer affairs. Transfer effective as of July 1, 2018. (SD1)	EDU/CPH, WAM
<u>SB 2671, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR2358)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u>	RELATING TO VETERINARY TECHNICIANS. Beginning 7/1/2018, establishes requirements for the regulation of veterinary technicians and the practice of veterinary technology. Establishes registration requirements and limitations on use of titles for veterinary technicians. Appropriates funds to implement the registration of veterinary technicians. (SD1)	CPH/JDL, WAM
<u>SB 2446</u> <u>(SSCR2043)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u>	RELATING TO NOTARY PUBLIC FEES. Increases notary public fees.	CPH, WAM



<p>SB 2812, SD1 (SSCR2363) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO CHARITABLE SOLICITATION. Amends Hawaii's charitable solicitation law to: require affirmative disclosures to donors by professional solicitors; clarify exemptions from registration; and make other technical amendments. (SD1)</p>	<p>CPH/JDL, WAM</p>
<p>SB 2865 (SSCR2224) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO THE REAL ESTATE EDUCATION FUND. Removes the ambiguity caused by the mandatory and discretionary language; allows the continuity of Real Estate Education Fund operations; brings the Real Estate Education Fund in line with other operational funds within the Professional and Vocational Licensing Division of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs; allows the Real Estate Education Fund's budget scrutiny to occur through the rulemaking process.</p>	<p>CPH, WAM</p>
<p>SB 2849, SD1 (SSCR2370) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO ESCROW DEPOSITORIES. Clarifies the escrow depositories law by: adding definitions; authorizing the commissioner of financial institutions to use NMLS for its escrow depositories program; adding criminal history record check and disclosure requirements to licensure and change in control applications; updating the escrow depository license renewal date for consistency with NMLS; clarifying sale or transfer of license or change in control requirements; and updating certain fees. (SD1)</p>	<p>CPH/JDL, WAM</p>
<p>SB 2854, SD1 (SSCR2259) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO INSURANCE. Makes various updates to title 24, Hawaii Revised Statutes, including: requiring an insurer to file an affidavit prior to discontinuing writing property coverage; requiring insurance commissioner authorization for insurers providing residential property coverage; requiring insurers to file and pay their premium tax statements electronically beginning on 1/1/2017; requiring conspicuous disclosure of preexisting condition provisions in short-term health policies; including physician assistant-delivered services under coverage for child health supervision for accident and health or sickness policies and mutual benefit societies; requiring an entity to notify a health care provider or claim filer under certain conditions; adding flexibility to captive laws of sponsored captive insurance companies; providing mental illness benefits coverage to licensed dietitians treating eating disorders; requiring certain entities to respond to the insurance commissioner during an investigation or examination; providing visual or optometric services coverage for licensed physicians and optometrists and surgical or emergency services coverage for dentists under health plans of mutual benefit societies; providing coverage for pharmacist-delivered contraceptive services; and making other housekeeping and conforming amendments. (SD1)</p>	<p>CPH, WAM</p>
<p>SB 2943, SD1 (SSCR2394) Status & Testimony</p>	<p>RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII RESEARCH. Provides express legal authority to enable the University of Hawaii to create, promote, and participate in new economic enterprises that use university research and provide workforce opportunities for affiliated university personnel. (SD1)</p>	<p>HEA/EET/JDL, WAM</p>



<p><u>SB 2504, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR2197)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO INNOVATION BUSINESS INTERACTION. Establishes a loan program in the HTDC to support high-technology small businesses. Appropriate funds. (SD1)</p>	<p>EET, WAM</p>
<p><u>SB 2511</u> <u>(SSCR2153)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO TELECOMMUNICATIONS. Includes the Director of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism as a permanent member on the Broadband Assistance Advisory Council. Ensures a member from each county is represented through appointment on the council. Authorizes the chair of the council to designate representatives of other interested public and private sector organizations to serve as members of the council or the work groups of the council on an ad hoc basis as needed.</p>	<p>EET, WAM</p>
<p><u>SB 2791</u> <u>(SSCR2121)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM. Appropriates funds to the department of business, economic development, and tourism for the purpose of promoting, regulating, and administering the made in Hawaii brand program.</p>	<p>EET, WAM</p>
<p><u>SB 2690, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR2146)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO CHAPTER 245, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES. Increases the excise tax on cigarettes and little cigars sold on or after July 1, 2016, to 20 cents per each cigarette or little cigar sold. Of the 20 cents taxed on each cigarette or little cigar sold, allocate the 20 cents to various funds, including 4 cents to the Hawaii cancer research special fund and 2 cents to the department of health chronic disease prevention and health promotion division, for smoking cessation programs and education in Hawaii. (SD1)</p>	<p>CPH, WAM</p>
<p><u>SB 2691, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR2457)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO CHAPTER 245, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES. 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. Imposes an excise tax on the wholesale price of disposable 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. Establishes requirements for retailers, wholesalers, and dealers of electronic smoking devices or e-liquid related to permits, reports, and records. Takes effect on 1/1/2017. (SD1)</p>	<p>CPH, WAM</p>
<p><u>SB 2394</u> <u>(SSCR2225)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO INFLUENZA IMMUNIZATION. Requires annual influenza vaccinations for health care workers. Establishes exemptions for influenza vaccination requirement under certain conditions.</p>	<p>CPH, WAM</p>



<p><u>SB 2277</u> <u>(SSCR2149)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS FOR GOODWILL INDUSTRIES OF HAWAII, INC. Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to assist Goodwill Industries of Hawaii, Inc.</p>	<p>EET, WAM</p>
<p><u>SB 2021</u> <u>(SSCR2008)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST BIOENERGY HAWAII, LLC. Extends the authorization of the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to BioEnergy Hawaii, LLC, for the purpose of establishing a cogeneration facility and related energy production facilities, for an additional five years.</p>	<p>TRE, WAM</p>
<p><u>SB 2301</u> <u>(SSCR2150)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST KEAHOLE MANAGEMENT GROUP LLC. Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to assist Keahole Management Group LLC with planning, designing, constructing, and equipping facilities for the manufacturing and processing of products.</p>	<p>EET, WAM</p>
<p><u>SB 2367</u> <u>(SSCR2209)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS FOR HAWAII RENEWABLE RESOURCES, LLC. Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to assist Hawaii Renewable Resources, LLC, with the development of facilities for food crop, animal feed, and renewable non-fossil fuel production on O'ahu.</p>	<p>TRE/WLA, WAM</p>
<p><u>SB 2369</u> <u>(SSCR2235)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS FOR HAWAII RENEWABLE RESOURCES, LLC. Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to assist Hawaii Renewable Resources, LLC, with the development of a natural gas production facility on Maui that will establish and fund food crops, with renewable natural gas and electricity production and related facilities and projects on the island of Maui.</p>	<p>TRE/WLA, WAM</p>
<p><u>SB 2506</u> <u>(SSCR2152)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST TRUTAG TECHNOLOGIES, INC. Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds for TruTag Technologies, Inc.</p>	<p>EET, WAM</p>
<p><u>SB 3121, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR2463)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST PQ ENERGY LLC. Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to assist PQ Energy LLC and to be formed special purpose entities with the development and construction of renewable energy plants within the State of Hawaii. (SD1)</p>	<p>TRE, WAM</p>

Decision making meeting only, no oral testimony will be accepted.

Persons wishing to submit written testimony may do so up to 24 hours prior to the hearing.



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FOR AMENDED NOTICES: Measures that have been deleted are stricken through and measures that have been added are underscored. If a measure is both underscored and stricken through, that measure has been deleted from the agenda.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL THE COMMITTEE CLERK AT (808) 586-6800.

Senator Jill N. Tokuda
Chair

