

THE SENATE
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[COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS](#)

Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Chair
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MEASURES DEFERRED TO TUESDAY, MARCH 01, 2016

DATE: Tuesday, March 01, 2016
TIME: 9:05 AM
PLACE: Conference Room 211
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

DECISION MAKING ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE(S):

SB2313 SD1 (SSCR2456) Status and Testimony	RELATING TO EQUAL PAY. Clarifies affirmative defenses that an employer may use in a pay differential case. Prohibits employer actions regarding wage disclosure. Prohibits an employer from discriminating between employees because of sex by paying wages to employees at a rate less than the rate at which the employer pays wages to employees of the opposite sex for substantially similar work and under similar working conditions, with certain exceptions. Effective January 7, 2059. (SD1)	JDL, WAM
SB2428 SD1 (SSCR2116) Status and Testimony	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 June 30, 2016, requires the Hawaii employer-union health benefits trust fund to authorize automatic electronic payments in lieu of withholdings. (SD1)	JDL, WAM
SB2544 SD1 (SSCR2222) Status and Testimony	RELATING TO PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYER ORGANIZATIONS. Establishes a sliding scale for the biennial renewal fees for professional employer organizations, based on the number of covered employees a professional employer organization reports to the department of labor and industrial relations. Effective 1/1/17. (SD1)	CPH, WAM



[SB2104 SD1](#)
[\(SSCR2367\)](#)
[Status and Testimony](#)

RELATING TO THE COLLECTION OF RESTITUTION FOR
CRIME VICTIMS.

JDL, WAM

Creates standards and procedures for income-withholding for purposes of enforcing restitution orders. Amends the definition of "debt" relating to the recovery of money owed to the State to include court-ordered restitution subject to civil enforcement. Provides priority of income withholding orders. Extends victims' access to adult probation records to include access to payment compliance records. Requires that any bail posted by a defendant be applied toward payment of any court-ordered restitution in the same case. Makes permanent Act 119, SLH 2011, which allows certain adult probation records to be provided to certain case management, assessment, or treatment service providers upon the screening for admission, acceptance, or admittance of the defendant into a treatment program. Appropriates funds. Takes effect on 1/7/2059. (SD1)

[SB2103](#)
[\(SSCR2387\)](#)
[Status and Testimony](#)

RELATING TO SEARCH WARRANTS.

JDL/EET, WAM

Allows courts to authorize a person or entity, other than an officer of justice, to carry out a search warrant. Allows courts to authorize an officer to obtain technical assistance if the search warrant granted pertains to an electronic device or storage media.

[SB2496 SD1](#)
[\(SSCR2453\)](#)
[Status and Testimony](#)

RELATING TO ELECTIONS.

JDL, WAM

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 and beginning with the 2020 primary election, implement election by mail in each of the other counties for all elections. Establishes an elections by mail system, including requirements for ballots, replacement ballots, deficient return of ballots, ballot counting, voter service centers, places of deposit, and election expenses and responsibilities. Establishes procedures for postponed elections. Makes conforming amendments to provide for an elections by mail system. Allows for the electronic transmission of mail-in ballots. Appropriates funds for the implementation and administration of the elections by mail program. Requires the office of elections to submit annual reports to the legislature from 2017 to 2023 regarding implementing the elections by mail program. (SD1)

No testimony will be accepted.

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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