# THE SENATE THE THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2019

### **COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS**

Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair

## NOTICE OF DECISION MAKING

DATE: Thursday, February 28, 2019

TIME: 10:30 a.m.

PLACE: Conference Room 211

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

#### <u>AGENDA</u>

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

SB 752 (SSCR416) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.  Makes an appropriation to the University of Hawaii College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources for research and prevention of the spread of ornamental ginger pathogens.	AEN/HRE, WAM
SB 1465, SD1  (SSCR188)  Status & Testimony	RELATING TO TREATMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS. Requires health insurance policies and plan contracts to cover certain expenses related to petitions and hearings for persons obtaining assisted community treatment. (SD1)	CPH, WAM
SB 90, SD1  (SSCR125)  Status & Testimony	RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. Appropriates funds for operating expenses of the department of education. (SD1)	EDU, WAM
SB 812 (SSCR107) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS. Appropriates funds for operating expenses of the department of commerce and consumer affairs.	CPH, WAM
SB 856 (SSCR424) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. Requires the Auditor to perform a financial and management audit of the Department of Education, Superintendent, Board of Education, and complex areas every three years.	EDU/GVO, WAM
SB 1474, SD1  (SSCR559)  Status & Testimony	RELATING TO TAXATION. Increases the general excise tax and use tax by 0.5% to provide a dedicated funding source for the department of education and the University of Hawaii. Takes effect on 7/1/2050. (SD1)	EDU/HRE, WAM

**SB 33, SD2** RELATING TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. EET, WAM Repeals the annual \$35,000,000 rolling cap for the motion (SSCR466) picture, digital media, and film production income tax credit. Applies to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2018. Status & **Testimony** (SD2) **SB 988** AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE EET, WAM REVENUE BONDS FOR MELE ASSOCIATES, INC., A (SSCR158) RENEWABLE ENERGY DEVELOPER SERVING THE GENERAL PUBLIC IN PROVIDING ELECTRIC ENERGY. Status & **Testimony** Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to Mele Associates, Inc., a renewable energy developer, for the provision of electric energy and installation of renewable energy projects in Hawaii. RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND **SB 1111, SD1** GVO, WAM GENERAL SERVICES. (SSCR527) Appropriates funds for operating expenses of the department of Status & accounting and general services. (SD1) **Testimony SB 471, SD1** RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS. HMS/HOU, WAM Appropriates funds to the outreach program, rapid re-housing (SSCR520) program, housing first program, family assessment centers, law enforcement assisted diversion program, and coordinated Status & statewide homelessness initiative. Establishes and appropriates **Testimony** funds for a long-term rental assistance pilot program. (SD1) SB 474, SD1 RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES. HMS, WAM Appropriates funds for operating expenses of the department of (SSCR231) human services. (SD1) Status & **Testimony SB 313** MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HRE/EET, WAM HAWAII. (SSCR307) Makes an appropriation for two full-time equivalent positions for Status & the wayfinding education program – imiloa astronomy center. **Testimony SB 315** MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HRE, WAM HAWAII. (SSCR145) Appropriates funds to increase the graduate assistant stipend. Status & **Testimony SB 97, SD1** RELATING TO ELECTIONS. JDC, WAM Requires the office of elections to join the Electronic Registration (SSCR167) Information Center and share information with counties to encourage voter participation and ensure integrity of voter Status & registration rolls. Authorizes election officials to have electronic **Testimony** 

access to driver's license and state identification databases for election related purposes. Appropriates moneys. (SD1)

**SB 427, SD1** 

RELATING TO RANKED CHOICE VOTING.

JDC, WAM

(SSCR10)

Status &

**Testimony** 

**SB 560, SD1** 

(SSCR209)

Status & Testimony

RELATING TO ELECTIONS.

Enacts voting by mail uniformly across all counties for all elections commencing in 2022. Establishes a limited number of voter service centers that would remain open from the tenth business day preceding an election through the day of the election to receive personal delivery of mail-in ballots. accommodate voters with special needs, offer same day registration and voting, and provide other election services. Allows for additional places of deposit for personal delivery of

Establishes ranked choice voting for special federal elections

and special elections of vacant county council seats. (SD1)

mail-in ballots. Appropriates funds for the implementation and administration of the election by mail program. Requires the office of elections to submit a report to the legislature prior to the convening of each regular session from 2020 through 2025.

regarding the implementation of a vote by mail system. (SD1)

**SB 1347** 

(SSCR352)

Status & **Testimony** 

RELATING TO THE WEED AND SEED STRATEGY.

Appropriates funds to the Department of the Attorney General as a grant for Weed and Seed Hawaii to maintain the weed and seed strategy, a collaborative effort to prevent crime and rebuild

communities in targeted areas.

SB 1462, SD1

(SSCR418)

Status & **Testimony** 

SB 1464, SD1

(SSCR216)

Status &

Testimony

**SB 798** 

(SSCR531)

Status & **Testimony** 

SB 1293, SD1

(SSCR398)

Status & **Testimony** 

RELATING TO ADDRESS CONFIDENTIALITY.

Appropriates funds for two full-time equivalent (2.0 FTE) positions, operating costs, and equipment to support the Attorney General's Hawaii Criminal Justice Data Center in administering the Address Confidentiality Program. (SD1)

RELATING TO JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Establishes certain positions in the Department of the Attorney General and Judiciary responsible for the preparation, filing, defense, and adjudication of assisted community treatment petitions, related guardianship petitions, and other legal filings. Appropriates funds. (SD1)

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES.

Appropriates funds for the digitization of records, files, and other materials of the state historic preservation division to be expended by the department of land and natural resources.

RELATING TO A MUTUAL ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT.

Authorizes the State to enter into a mutual assistance agreement with an out of state utility or other energy provider in order to restore power and utility service to the State, without regard to any regulatory law, in times of an emergency or

natural disaster. (SD1)

JDC, WAM

JDC/PSM, WAM

JDC, WAM

JDC, WAM

LCA, WAM

PSM/CPH. WAM

SB 1427 (SSCR270) Status &	RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.  Appropriates funds to the Department of Transportation for operations and 7 staff positions to increase hours of operation of the Kuhio Highway contraflow on Kauai.	TRS, WAM
<u>Testimony</u>		
SB 924, SD1	RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES.	WTL, WAM
(SSCR200)	Appropriates funds for operating expenses of the department of	
Status & Testimony	land and natural resources. Takes effect 7/1/2050. (SD1)	
SB 1490, SD1	RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL	WTL, WAM
(SSCR265)	RESOURCES.  Appropriates funds for operating expenses of the department of	
Status & Testimony	land and natural resources. Takes effect 7/1/2050. (SD1)	

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.

Click <u>here</u> to submit written testimony to the Senate Committee on Ways and Means.

**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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Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz Chair