

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
THE THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION OF 2021

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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, February 11, 2021
TIME: 3:00 P.M.
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
Conference Room 309
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

[HB 396](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO EDUCATION.
Allows nonprofit organizations to establish an applicant governing board and develop a charter application for a start-up or conversion charter school; provided that (1) the governing board operates separately from the nonprofit organization and (2) the governing board may include members of the nonprofit organization, but such members shall not constitute a majority of the governing board's members.

EDN, FIN

[HB 1221](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO CHARTER SCHOOLS.
Requires charter school authorizers to provide a list of approved independent auditors, rather than selecting three independent auditors, from which their respective charter school is to select an independent auditor for its annual financial audit.

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HB 514 Status	RELATING TO ON-SITE EARLY CHILDHOOD FACILITIES. Establishes an income tax credit for employers who create on-site early childhood facilities. Establishes and appropriates funds for 1.0 FTE on-site early childhood facility coordinator position. Applies to taxable years beginning after 12/31/2021.	EDN, FIN
HB 546 Status	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Amends the composition of the early learning board to make a representative from Aha Punana Leo a standing member.	EDN, JHA
HB 1360 Status	RELATING TO EARLY LEARNING. Establishes an early childhood educator stipend program to be administered by the executive office on early learning to address the shortage of qualified early childhood educators in Hawaii. Requires stipend fund repayments for the early childhood educator stipend program to be deposited into the early learning special fund.	EDN, FIN
HB 1362 Status	RELATING TO ACCESS TO LEARNING. Establishes the Hawaii early childhood educator stipend program to address shortage of early childhood education educators. Extends certain effective dates for implementation of Act 46, SLH 2020. Requires the application of a uniform assessment for public and charter school kindergarten students. Allows educational data to be shared using an existing system. Appropriates funds.	EDN, FIN

DECISION-MAKING

The following bill(s) is for decision-making purposes only to insert substantive provisions into the short form bill. A public hearing will be scheduled at a later date, at which time testimony will be accepted.

HB 613 Status	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Short form bill relating to education.	EDN
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DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

Persons wishing to offer comments should submit testimony at least **24 hours** prior to the hearing. Testimony received after this time will be stamped late and left to the discretion of the chair to consider. While every effort will be made to incorporate all testimony received, materials received on the day of the hearing or improperly identified or directed, may not be processed.

Testimony submitted will be placed on the legislative website. This public posting of testimony on the website should be considered when including personal information in your testimony.

The chair may institute a per-testifier time limit.

Committees meeting in the morning must adjourn prior to the day's Floor Session. Therefore, due to time constraints, not all testifiers may be provided an opportunity to offer verbal comments. However, remote testifiers' written submissions will be considered by the committee.

Please refrain from profanity or uncivil behavior. Violations may result in ejection from the hearing without the ability to rejoin.

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Click [here](#) for a complete list of House Guidelines for public testimony.

FOR AMENDED NOTICES: Measures that have been deleted are stricken through and measures that have been added are bolded.

For more information, please contact the Committee Clerk at 586-6210

Rep. Justin H. Woodson
Chair

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