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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Friday, February 26, 2021  
TIME: 11:00 a.m.  
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE  
Conference Room 308  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

[HB 443, HD1](#)  
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RELATING TO SCHOOL FOOD PROGRAMS.  
Requires the department of education conduct a comprehensive cost analysis of the department's food services and student meals programs to, in part, increase the use of locally grown agricultural products. Requires a report to the legislature. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD1)

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[HB 702, HD2](#)  
[\(HSCR462\)](#)  
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RELATING TO FARM TO SCHOOL PROCUREMENT.  
Requires the department of education to establish rules for the procurement of goods and services related to the administration of food programs at public schools that incorporate a geographic preference for unprocessed locally grown and locally raised food products. Effective 7/1/2051. (HD2)

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<a href="#">HB 296, HD1</a> <a href="#">(HSCR241)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	<p>RELATING TO LEAF BLOWERS.</p> <p>Restricts the use of leaf blowers in the Waikiki special improvement district within a residential zone or near a residence to between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on any day except Sunday or a state or federal holiday and between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Sunday or any state or federal holiday. Allows commercial and hotel operators to operate leaf blowers on their premises at least one hundred feet away from a residential zone or residence between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on any day except Sunday or a state or federal holiday, and between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on Sunday or any state or federal holiday. Provides that leaf blowers used in special improvement districts during the permitted hours shall not emit more than eighty decibels of noise. Effective 1/1/2050. (HD1)</p>	CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB 446, HD2</a> <a href="#">(HSCR619)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	<p>RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES.</p> <p>Establishes a new offense of theft of a catalytic converter. Requires vehicle registration records to be kept for businesses engaged in the selling or negotiating the purchase of used motor vehicle parts or accessories or licensed to wreck, salvage, or dismantle motor vehicles. Requires these businesses to refuse purchase of used motor vehicle parts or accessories and report the attempted sale to police if a seller does not provide certain information. Changes the fine for any violations of the used motor vehicle parts and accessories laws. Regulates the purchase of catalytic converters and catalytic converter metals by scrap dealers. Effective 1/1/2050. (HD2)</p>	CPC, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB 119, HD1</a> <a href="#">(HSCR145)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST KAUNALEWA.</p> <p>Replaces E Ola Mau Na Leo O Kekaha with Kaunalewa as the entity authorized to receive special purpose revenue bonds issued to assist with the acquisition, remediation, and development of the old Kekaha Sugar Mill in Kekaha, Kauai, Hawaii. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD1)</p>	ECD, FIN
<a href="#">HB 683, HD1</a> <a href="#">(HSCR500)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	<p>RELATING TO SUSTAINABLE AVIATION FUEL.</p> <p>Establishes the sustainable aviation fuel program to provide matching grants to any small business in Hawaii that is developing products related to sustainable aviation fuel or greenhouse gas reduction from commercial aviation operations. Specifies that moneys for the program are from legislative appropriations out of the environmental response, energy, and food security tax. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD1)</p>	ECD, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB 862, HD1</a> <a href="#">(HSCR440)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	<p>RELATING TO STATE GOVERNMENT.</p> <p>Abolishes the office of aerospace development, aerospace advisory committee, and the Hawaii unmanned aerial systems test site advisory board. Makes conforming amendments associated with the Pacific international space center for exploration systems. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD1)</p>	ECD, FIN
<a href="#">HB 1067, HD1</a> <a href="#">(HSCR534)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	<p>RELATING TO PROCUREMENT FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.</p> <p>Removes the sunset provision in Act 42, Session Laws of Hawaii 2018. Effective 7/1/2060. (HD1)</p>	HET, GVR, FIN

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<a href="#">HB 1069, HD1</a> <a href="#">(HSCR163)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE HAWAII CANCER RESEARCH SPECIAL FUND.</p> <p>Amends the reporting requirement on the Hawaii cancer research special fund from semi-annually to annually. Effective 7/1/2060. (HD1)</p>	<p>HET, FIN</p>
<a href="#">HB 1072, HD1</a> <a href="#">(HSCR166)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII TUITION AND FEES SPECIAL FUND.</p> <p>Repeals the requirement that each University of Hawaii campus prepare an operations plan, to be reviewed by the president and the vice president for budget and finance and the chief financial officer of the University of Hawaii, for each fiscal year. Repeals the requirement that the moneys in the University of Hawaii tuition and fees special fund for each University of Hawaii campus to lapse to the credit of Program ID No. UOH900 (University of Hawaii, system wide support). Effective 7/1/2060. (HD1)</p>	<p>HET, FIN</p>
<a href="#">HB 541, HD1</a> <a href="#">(HSCR403)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	<p>RELATING TO HEALTH.</p> <p>Establishes the state payor committee, to be administered by the directors of the departments of health and human services, or their designees, to establish a purchase of service framework that aligns all behavioral health and substance abuse service contracts. Requires executive programs that purchase social services related to behavioral health or substance abuse to coordinate with the state payor committee as part of the planning for purchases of these services. Requires all community or private organizations that purchase services for behavioral health or substance abuse, at the request of any state funding agency, to disclose the source of other federal, state, or county-level funding it receives for the purposes of performing such services. Effective 7/1/2060. (HD1)</p>	<p>HHH, JHA, FIN</p>
<a href="#">HB 718, HD1</a> <a href="#">(HSCR628)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	<p>RELATING TO HEALTH.</p> <p>Requires the department of human services to compile information regarding employers having employees who receive public assistance and to submit an annual report to the legislature on the 50 employers with the highest number of employees receiving public assistance. Requires the department of labor and industrial relations to share employment data with the department of human services. Effective 7/1/2060. (HD1)</p>	<p>HHH, CPC, FIN</p>
<a href="#">HB 986, HD1</a> <a href="#">(HSCR417)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	<p>RELATING TO NEWBORN HEARING SCREENING.</p> <p>Requires diagnostic audiologic evaluation results of newborn hearing screening evaluations, or infants whose hearing status changes, to be provided to the department of health. Effective 7/1/2060. (HD1)</p>	<p>HHH, FIN</p>
<a href="#">HB 987, HD1</a> <a href="#">(HSCR418)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	<p>RELATING TO HEARING AND VISION PROGRAM.</p> <p>Amends the hearing and vision program statute to increase the early identification of children with hearing or vision loss, by establishing consistent protocols for hearing and vision screening and follow-up, screener training, and data collection for quality improvement. Effective 7/1/2060. (HD1)</p>	<p>HHH, FIN</p>

<a href="#">HB 502, HD2</a> <a href="#">(HSCR434)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	<p>RELATING TO RURAL DISTRICTS.</p> <p>Authorizes the counties to adopt ordinances that allow up to one dwelling per quarter-acre in rural districts. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD2)</p>	HSG, WAL, FIN
<a href="#">HB 337, HD1</a> <a href="#">(HSCR560)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	<p>RELATING TO CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.</p> <p>Requires the language and meaning of any proposed constitutional amendment and ratification question to be simple, concise, and direct to the extent practicable. Allows the presiding officers of the legislature to request a written opinion of the supreme court regarding the legality of a proposed amendment to the Hawaii State Constitution and the corresponding constitutional ratification question. Requires the court to provide a written opinion within 48 hours of receipt of the request. Requires, for any written opinion by the court that invalidates a constitutional ratification question, a detailed and specific explanation of the reasons for this opinion. Prohibits any appeal of a written opinion. Effective 7/1/3021. (HD1)</p>	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB 340</a> <a href="#">(HSCR185)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	<p>PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII TO REQUIRE THE JUDICIAL SELECTION COMMISSION TO BE GUIDED BY PRINCIPLES OF MERIT IN THE SELECTION OF JUDICIAL NOMINATIONS AND THE RETENTION OF JUDGES AND JUSTICES.</p> <p>Proposes an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Hawaii to require the judicial selection commission to be guided by principles of merit in the selection of judicial nominations and the retention of judges and justices.</p>	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB 357, HD1</a> <a href="#">(HSCR515)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	<p>RELATING TO STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS.</p> <p>Establishes a two-year statute of limitations for all actions for an inverse condemnation against the State, including a claim brought under article I, section 20, of the state constitution, regarding eminent domain. (HD1)</p>	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB 776</a> <a href="#">(HSCR188)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST PUEO DEVELOPMENT, LLC.</p> <p>Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds for a master planned development proposed by Pueo Development, LLC, on Hawaiian Home Lands.</p>	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB 1377</a> <a href="#">(HSCR570)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	<p>RELATING TO CITATIONS.</p> <p>Creates an electronic citation program under the judiciary and establishes an electronic citation surcharge.</p>	JHA, FIN

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<a href="#">HB 1009, HD1</a> <a href="#">(HSCR392)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	RELATING TO CERTAIN PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF SUBTITLE 4 OF TITLE 12, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES. Amends the additional fines and costs for destroying or harvesting trees or tree products, including koa, on state forest reserves lands. Establishes penalties for any person who violates vehicular parking or traffic movement rules adopted by the DLNR under forest reserves, water development, and zoning laws. Authorizes the State to pursue civil legal action and criminal action against a person violating forest reserves, water development, and zoning laws and rules. Establishes criminal penalties for violations of all forest reserves laws or rules. Repeals the general penalty provision for violations of certain forestry and wildlife, recreation areas, and fire protection laws and rules.	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB 930, HD1</a> <a href="#">(HSCR331)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	RELATING TO EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM INVESTMENTS. Exempts certain specific types of alternative investment fund information from disclosure under chapter 92F, HRS, the disclosure of which would put the system at a competitive disadvantage and frustrate its legitimate government investment function. Effective 12/25/2040. (HD1)	LAT, FIN
<a href="#">HB 931, HD1</a> <a href="#">(HSCR407)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	RELATING TO EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM BENEFITS. Clarifies the Employees' Retirement System's eligibility requirement definitions for service-connected disability retirement and accidental death benefits. Effective 12/25/2040. (HD1)	LAT, FIN
<a href="#">HB 1130, HD2</a> <a href="#">(HSCR432)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	RELATING TO TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT. Requires the office of planning to hire a contractor to, among other things, identify and assess alternative financing, project delivery, and cost recovery mechanisms to recapture the State's upfront investment in transit-oriented development infrastructure. Requires the contractor to consult with representatives of certain government entities. Requires the office of planning to report its findings to the legislature. Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD2)	TRN/HSG, WAL, FIN

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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Chair

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