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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, April 1, 2021
TIME: 1:30 p.m.
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
Conference Room 308
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A #1

[SB 973, SD1, HD2](#)
[\(HSCR1510\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO HAWAII MONEY TRANSMITTER ACT.
Amends the Money Transmitters Act. Incorporates definitions of key terms provided in the Model Money Services Business Law. Adds supporting documentation required to be submitted by an applicant for licensure. Extends the period of an applicant's litigation and criminal conviction history review from five years to ten years from the date of the application. Requires an applicant to submit information concerning any bankruptcy or receivership proceedings. Clarifies the authority of the commissioner of financial institutions to examine and investigate licensees and participate in nationwide protocols for licensing cooperation. Effective 1/1/2050. (HD2)

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SB 1204, SD2, HD2 (HSCR1445) Status	<p>RELATING TO TAX APPEALS.</p> <p>Replaces the four district tax boards of review with a single statewide taxation board of review appointed by the governor, consisting of ten members with three required for quorum. Authorizes taxpayers and others appearing before the board to participate using cost-efficient means such as teleconferencing. Effective 7/1/3021. (HD2)</p>	<p>ECD, JHA, FIN</p>
SB 1196, SD2 (HSCR1232) Status	<p>RELATING TO WITHHOLDING TAX.</p> <p>Amends the due date for employers to file the wage and tax statement from the last day of February to January 31 following the close of the calendar year. Imposes a penalty on employers that fail to timely furnish and file the wage and tax statement. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD2)</p>	<p>ECD, FIN</p>
SB 1198, SD2, HD1 (HSCR1233) Status	<p>RELATING TO TAX ADMINISTRATION.</p> <p>Allows the department of taxation to mandate the electronic filing of certain partnership, S-corporation, and individual tax returns. Requires certain tax return preparers to file returns electronically. Amends the rules for filing and payment of taxes by electronic funds transfer. Requires electronic funds transfers for tax return preparers and any person subject to mandatory electronic filing. Removes the timeliness requirement from the electronic funds transfer penalty. Removes the authority of the department of taxation to charge for certified copies of tax clearances. Authorizes the limited disclosure of liquor licensees' tax clearances. Clarifies the interest rate for payments made to taxpayers out of the litigated claims fund. Expands the permissible uses of the tax administration special fund. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD1)</p>	<p>ECD, FIN</p>
SB 1202, SD1, HD2 (HSCR1428) Status	<p>RELATING TO TAXATION.</p> <p>Makes various technical amendments to fuel, liquor, cigarette, and tobacco tax laws. Effective 1/1/2050. (HD2)</p>	<p>ECD, CPC, FIN</p>
SB 1203, SD1, HD1 (HSCR987) Status	<p>RELATING TO TITLE 14, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES.</p> <p>Amends title 14, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to make nonsubstantive changes for clarity and to delete obsolete provisions. (HD1)</p>	<p>ECD, FIN</p>
SB 167, SD1, HD2 (HSCR1368) Status	<p>RELATING TO THE STATE PLAN.</p> <p>Establishes green infrastructure objectives, policies, and priority guidelines for state facility systems, infrastructure, and transit projects in the Hawaii State Planning Act to improve the quality of life for residents and visitors. Adds definition of "green infrastructure". Requires the office of planning, in partnership with greenhouse gas sequestration task force, to submit a report to the legislature making recommendations for implementing the green infrastructure objectives, policies, and priority guidelines. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD2)</p>	<p>GVR, EEP, FIN</p>
SB 222, SD1, HD1 (HSCR1429) Status	<p>RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES.</p> <p>Beginning 7/1/2022, requires the comptroller's annual report to the governor and legislature to include a list of all accounts that were closed by the comptroller during the immediately preceding fiscal year, and a list of accounts that remain open but that are serving a lapsed program or initiative. Effective 7/1/2112. (HD1)</p>	<p>GVR, FIN</p>

SB 1035, SD2, HD1 (HSCR1505) Status	<p>RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.</p> <p>Establishes and appropriates moneys from the state procurement automation system special fund to fund the project management of the procurement automation system. Allows the state procurement administrator to set procedures for final decisions on investigations of procurement policy and compliance. Authorizes the state procurement administrator to assess and collect an administrative fee pursuant to chapter 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to cover the costs of the procurement automation system. Effective 7/1/2112. (HD1)</p>	<p>GVR, CPC, FIN</p>
SB 406, SD1, HD1 (HSCR1438) Status	<p>RELATING TO CAMPAIGN SPENDING COMMISSION STAFF.</p> <p>Clarifies that the campaign spending commission may employ or contract with persons for the performance of day-to-day functions of the commission. Clarifies that persons employed or contracted by the campaign spending commission shall have the authority to perform day-to-day functions of the commission without further commission action. Requires a complaint initiated by the staff of the campaign spending commission to be in writing and signed by the executive director of the commission. Effective 7/1/2112. (HD1)</p>	<p>GVR, JHA, FIN</p>
SB 405, SD1, HD1 (HSCR1496) Status	<p>RELATING TO CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS.</p> <p>Provides that excess contributions by nonresident contributors shall escheat to the Hawaii election campaign fund if not returned to the contributor within thirty days of the end of the election period. Allows the candidate, candidate committee, or noncandidate committee to choose which excess contributions by nonresident contributors to return. Effective 7/1/2112. (HD1)</p>	<p>GVR, JHA, FIN</p>
SB 402, HD1 (HSCR1437) Status	<p>RELATING TO REIMBURSEMENTS FOR EXPENDITURES BY COMMITTEES.</p> <p>Provides that expenditures by candidate committees may be made to reimburse other individuals for expenditures advanced by those individuals, in addition to those advanced by the candidate. Deletes candidate reimbursements from the category of expenditures that noncandidate committees must itemize in their reports, since noncandidate committees are not allowed to receive or make loans under existing law. Effective 7/1/2112. (HD1)</p>	<p>GVR, JHA, FIN</p>
SB 400, SD1, HD1 (HSCR1452) Status	<p>RELATING TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE REPORTS.</p> <p>Clarifies that increased fines may apply if a candidate committee or noncandidate committee fails to timely file the preliminary primary or preliminary general report due in an unspecified number of calendar days before a primary or general election. Effective 7/1/2112. (HD1)</p>	<p>GVR, JHA, FIN</p>
SB 401, HD1 (HSCR1436) Status	<p>RELATING TO VIOLATIONS OF CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAW.</p> <p>Increases the amount of the fine for campaign spending law violations that may be assessed against a noncandidate committee making only independent expenditures and that has received at least one contribution of more than \$10,000, or spent more than \$10,000, in an election period. Allows the campaign spending commission to order that the payment of a fine assessed against a noncandidate committee, or any portion of the fine, be paid from the personal funds of an officer of the noncandidate committee. Effective 7/1/2112. (HD1)</p>	<p>GVR, JHA, FIN</p>

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SB 560, HD2 (HSCR1497) Status	<p>RELATING TO RANKED CHOICE VOTING. Establishes ranked-choice voting for special federal elections and special elections of vacant county council seats. Effective 7/1/2112. (HD2)</p>	GVR, JHA, FIN
SB 421, SD1, HD1 (HSCR1339) Status	<p>RELATING TO VACANCIES. Requires vacancies in the offices of United States Senator, United States Representative, State Senator, and State Representative to be filled by special election. (HD1)</p>	JHA, FIN
SB 159, SD1, HD1 (HSCR1471) Status	<p>RELATING TO VOTING. Makes an application for voter registration part of all state identification card or driver's license applications. Requires applicants to choose to be registered to vote or make changes to the applicant's voter registration information. Requires the sharing of certain information among the counties, department of transportation, election personnel, and online voter registration system. Effective 7/1/3021. (HD1)</p>	JHA, FIN
SB 548, SD1, HD1 (HSCR1340) Status	<p>RELATING TO ELECTIONS BY MAIL. Amends various statutory provisions to clarify and improve the administration of elections by mail. Establishes voters with special needs advisory committees at the state and county levels. Requires PSD and the Hawaii paroling authority to inform individuals on parole or probation of their right to vote and provide them with voting information. Requires the office of elections and the county clerks to make a determination, as soon as practicable, of the optimal number and placement of voter service centers. (HD1)</p>	JHA, FIN
SB 225, SD1, HD1 (HSCR1383) Status	<p>RELATING TO INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS. Specifies that the cost of regional infrastructure improvements made by the Hawaii housing finance and development corporation may be assessed against transit-oriented development projects specially benefiting from the improvements, as determined by the corporation. Requires the Hawaii interagency council for transit-oriented development to review and make recommendations on applications for subaccount funds for infrastructure projects related to transit-oriented development. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD1)</p>	HSG/TRN, WAL, FIN
SB 659, SD2, HD2 (HSCR1412) Status	<p>RELATING TO LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT. Allows the low-income housing tax credit to be allocated among the partners or members of the partnership or limited liability company earning the credit in any manner agreed to by the partners or members. Requires Form 8609 to be included for taxpayers claiming the low-income housing tax credit. Specifies other restrictions and clarifies the effect of other tax provisions for buildings placed in service after 12/31/2020. Extends the increases made to the low-income housing tax credit from 12/31/2021 to an unspecified date. Applies to taxable years beginning after 12/31/2020. Effective 12/1/2050. (HD2)</p>	HSG, CPC, FIN

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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Chair

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