

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

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES, & HOMELESSNESS

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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:     Friday, February 5, 2021  
TIME:     8:30AM  
PLACE:    VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE  
            Conference Room 329  
            State Capitol  
            415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

[HB 826](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES.  
Renames the electronic smoking device retailer registration unit the electronic smoking device retailer registration and enforcement unit. Expands the scope of the unit to include enforcement of compliance of electronic smoking devices with the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act. Establishes a special fund for moneys received from enforcement actions. Expands the purposes for which moneys in the tobacco enforcement special fund may be used to include all functions of the department of the attorney general. Amends the fine amount for persons under twenty-one years of age who purchase or possess tobacco products or electronic smoking devices. Effective 01/01/2022.

HHH, CPC, FIN

[HB 476](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO TAXATION.  
Establishes taxation of e-liquids used in electronic smoking devices. Requires wholesalers and dealers to be licensed. Requires retailers to obtain permits.

HHH, CPC, FIN

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<a href="#">HB 477</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	RELATING TO CANNABIS. Increases the allowable number of production centers and retail dispensing locations per dispensary license. Authorizes the department of health to allow a licensed dispensary to purchase medical cannabis or manufactured cannabis products from another licensed dispensary to ensure ongoing qualified patient access.	HHH, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB 482</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	RELATING TO CANNABIS FOR MEDICAL USE. Authorizes medical cannabis dispensaries to distribute cannabis propagules and cuttings to individuals authorized to cultivate cannabis plants for medical use, subject to quantity limits and quality requirements.	HHH, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB 1282</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	RELATING TO THE TRANSITION OF THE OAHU REGIONAL HEALTH CARE SYSTEM FROM THE HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION INTO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH. Commences the transfer of the Oahu regional health care system in its entirety from the Hawaii health systems corporation to the department of health, beginning with the transfer of the Oahu regional health care system's budget and position count into the department of health. Enables the Oahu regional health care system, department of health, Hawaii health systems corporation, and other state agencies to manage and implement the processes required to effectuate the completion of the transition. Authorizes the department of health to conduct long-term care and substance abuse treatment at Leahi hospital and Maluhia and to pay rent for the use of the Leahi hospital property. Requires the department of health to consult with the university of Hawaii regarding programs at Leahi hospital and Maluhia. Appropriates moneys from the mental health and substance abuse special fund. Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds.	HHH, LAT, FIN
<a href="#">HB 1322</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	RELATING TO TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE. Establishes a trauma-informed care task force within the department of health to make recommendations of trauma-informed care in the State.	HHH, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB 718</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	RELATING TO HEALTH. 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.	HHH, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB 576</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	RELATING TO HEALTH CARE. Authorizes licensed physician assistants and advanced practice registered nurses to perform certain abortions.	HHH, CPC, JHA
<a href="#">HB 988</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	RELATING TO SERVICES FOR KUPUNA. Adds kupuna caregiver-directed services to kupuna caregivers program. Includes financial management service provider and additional duties for the coach. Allows for qualified caregivers to work less than 30 hours a week or be unemployed during a declared state of emergency.	HHH, CPC, FIN

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DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

Persons wishing to offer comments should submit testimony at least **24 hours** prior to the hearing. 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.

**If during the course of the hearing it appears that there will not be sufficient time to allow everyone to be heard, the chairperson reserves the right to limit the remaining testifiers to two-minutes. This two-minute policy will be enforced to ensure fairness and adequate consideration to all bills.**

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 able to testify. However, all written submissions will be considered by the committee.

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**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 586-6150

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Chair

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